

**SHNA Board Meeting  
Tuesday, October 8, 2013  
Dale Heights Church**

**Approved Minutes**

Board members in attendance: Kim McBride, Jeff Schneider, Shary Bisgard, Jeanette Tierney, Bill Fitzpatrick, Stan Fuka, Greg Hull, Mary Beth Dunning

Others in attendance: Jeremy Levin, Peg Hutnik, Faith Fitzpatrick,

September Meeting Minutes Approval

Approved, with changes—Shary Bisgard will make a change to clarify that that the Board decided the garage addition at 5510 Lake Mendota Drive was not a minor addition or change.

Treasurer's Report

None, per Bill Fitzpatrick.

Moka Coffee Construction Site—Shary Bisgard

Shary reviewed Herman Felstehausen's email report to SHNA Board members on the Moka Coffee site:

“The Moka drive-up coffee shop currently under construction at the GoodN'Loud music site has allowed very little room for the exit driveway on the coffee pickup side of the building. The result is that right-turning exit traffic will likely run over the crosswalk apron as drivers rush to get into the east-bound traffic lane on University Ave. We suggested an adjustment in shaping the exit drive apron. However, city had not budgeted for crosswalk changes, and there is very little time to get construction changes approved.” [Text copied and pasted from Herman's October 7, 2013 email.]

The Board discussed the issue and agreed that the neighborhood association should keep pressing the City to put in signage at the crosswalk that tells drivers to yield to pedestrians and no u-turns at that spot.

Halloween Party

Greg has contacted Lori Peppard about organizing this year's Halloween party, but has not heard from her. Bill suggested sending an email to people who have indicated an interest in helping with the party on SHNA membership form to let them know a committee chair is needed and that if no one steps forward the party will have to be cancelled this year. Greg will continue to try to contact Lori.

Fall General Membership Meeting

The meeting date is Tuesday, October 22 at 7PM at the Spring Harbor Middle School. The guest speaker will be Dane County Executive Joe Parisi. Greg thanked Jeremy Levin for arranging for the county executive to speak.

Faith Fitzpatrick will give an update on the tree planning in Spring Harbor Park and along University Avenue, if she is available.

*Amendment to bylaws*

An amendment to the official copy of the SHNA bylaws will be put before the general membership for a vote. The amendment will expand SHNA boundaries to include the Hickory Hollow Condominiums and document in writing that SHNA is responsible for neighborhood signage placed in rights of way [per City code].

Jeff Schneider suggested this amendment should be two separate resolutions. Greg questioned the need to have an amendment about responsibility of the signage; Shary said she thought it was a benefit to SHNA to have an amendment.

There was discussion about having two resolutions and the proposed wording. The Board approved unanimously the proposal to have two votes, one on the expansion of the SHNA border and another on the neighborhood association's responsibility for signage in city rights of way.

Stan will update the boundary map.

Peg Hutnik, president of the Hickory Hollow condominium association, stated that SHNA will not need to be responsible for the Hickory Hollow sign because the HH association has worked out placement of the sign that is not in the right away.

Mary Beth will reserve the school's library for the meeting.

City Alder Report—Mark Clear

None.

County Supervisor Report—Jeremy Levin

Jeremy reviewed items in the county's budget and issues that the county is dealing with that he wrote about for the fall newsletter: plans to reconstruct to make the jail more efficient; purchase of land to create a buffer zone for the manure digester; changes to civil service status and updating the county employee handbook.

Jeremy reported that someone from county had gone over to look at the bare acreage behind University Crossing, but he has not heard back from that person.

Shary suggested that it would be good to have questions, particularly about the lakes, ready to ask the county executive at the membership meeting.

## Other Business

### *Merrill Spring*

Greg asked Faith about the Merrill Spring landscaping plan. Faith said the landscaping architect group was willing to look for grant money sources to develop the plan.

Kim McBride reported that the spring's pump was not working and that Alice Erickson had notified the Parks Department. Greg recalled that Mark Clear said that repair of the pump was planned for fall.

### *University Crossing erosion problems*

Faith reviewed a document that she had sent out by email that outlines the major erosion issues of the bare five-acre lot behind University Crossing and the UC parking lot and prioritizes the ones that need to be done before winter. Greg asked Faith why she thinks the problems exist; Faith said problems were due to poor implementation the erosion control plan, and the erosion control implemented is not functioning as planned, or the execution of the erosion plan failed. Greg also asked Faith what the Board should do. Faith asked for permission to keep talking to the developer. She also thought that putting a policy statement about keeping sediment out of Lake Mendota and expressing interest in preventing erosion and uncontrolled runoff in an amendment to the neighborhood plan would be a good step.

Action: Faith and Herman will write cover letter to go with the University Crossing erosion document, and Greg will sign. Jeremy said that he has made copies of the document to give to Joe Parisi and Kevin Briski.

### *Newsletter*

Kim explained that the "bulletin board" section of the neighborhood letters has traditionally contained the full names and ages of kids who advertise babysitting/pet sitting/yard work services. Kim called Madison police to see what they thought about having this information made public. Kim said the police were not as concerned about sex offenders seeing this information, as they were about identity theft.

Kim reported that she took the ages out of the most recent newsletter.

There was a discussion about the use of bylines in the newsletter and whether or not the newsletter editor or the proofreaders should check with the author of an article to see if the author's name should be published.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday, November 8

Meeting adjourned—8:35pm