

July 17, 2024

Members present: Matt Seib, Sue Alban, Jeff Bauer, Stan Fuka, Erin McGrath, Joan Martin, Liz Freitick, Art Pratt, Rick Pearson

7:00 Welcome and minutes approval: Liz moves to approve, seconded by Sue, all approve

7:04 4<sup>th</sup> of July Review:

- Parade went well. **We need 4 parade monitors instead of 3 (at each intersection).**
- Good turnout (about 200 people). Joan gave out 96 popsicles. People ate 160+ hot dogs and brats.
- People gave about \$150.
- Rick donated a portable gas grill, which was very useful and helpful. Thank you!
- Tom Jeffries did a great job with the games. Giovanna decorated the park and it looked great.
- No one got hurt. No controversy.
- Cade brought music. **Make sure to put this on the permit for next year.**
- Three elected officials.
- Send any photos to Liz. **Liz will put a message about this on the website in the fall newsletter.**
- **Start a 4th of July committee that meets starting earlier in the year.** Tom and Giovanna are ready to start scaling back their volunteering.
- See notes called "Fourth of July Task List" as a Google Doc in our Spring Harbor Gmail account.
- Matt received an email from the city about having someone trained in leading an emergency response. **Rick Pearson volunteered to attend. Matt will send email.**

7:25 Upcoming events

- Jazz in the Park: Monday, September 2. **For next year, invite Gerri DiMaggio (in April 2025).**
  - Erin will file park permit.
  - Joan will put out signs.
  - Liz will put notice on website
  - Erin will send information out in email.
  - Matt will email John to confirm.
- Fall meeting – speaker ideas: Please think of possible speakers. Email the group or bring to next meeting. Need to have this ready for fall newsletter. Meeting is usually in October.
- Halloween event: Erin is interested in leading this. Matt will connect Erin to current neighbor leading Halloween events.

7:35 Facebook, message board, communications needs

- Sue Alban has the administrative rights for this page.
- We have a page not a group, which is maybe less private.
- Forward messages from Facebook to Erin and Matt.
- Post 4th of July photos, Jazz in the Park. Whatever we email to listserv should go on Facebook.

7:33 Website fees/management

- Rick will contact Mary Beth about transferring the website hosting fee.
- Liz wants to meet with Rick to discuss the website in greater detail.

7:47 Bylaws discussion

- Brief introduction/review: Aaron Crandall began this process a few years ago but never finished. The bylaws haven't been updated since 2006. They are on the website. Most bylaws need basic updating. What most needs updating is the purpose of the SHNA.
  - New city government is interacting with neighborhoods in a different way. City government isn't using or looking to update neighborhood plans. See link: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/dpced/planning/documents/How%20to%20Start%20a%20Neighborhood%20Associations%20in%20Madison.pdf>
  - We need to update our current purpose. It's vague right now. By determining the purpose of SHNA, we can direct our energy as SHNA.
  - Discussion Timeline:
    - This will be a series of conversations, possibly in person. 1 meeting or 2? Each person comes with top three issues?
    - Matt will email the group about interest and availability for future meetings, along with tasks to prepare ahead of time.

Focus Item: discuss Article II: Purpose. Question – What is the purpose of SHNA?

7:55 Future meeting topics: Budget, SHNA purpose

7:58 Future meeting time: Tuesday, August 20, 7pm

8:05 Adjourn