

SPRING HARBOR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (SHNA)

BOARD MEETING

7:00 P.M. Tuesday, September 12, 2017

Dale Heights Church

Approved Minutes

Welcome and introductions, 7:00

Aaron Crandall opened the meeting and asked everyone introduce themselves.

- Board members in attendance: Aaron Crandall, Giovanna Jeffries, Jussi Snellman, Stan Fuka, Mary Beth Dunning; Barb Schultz-Becker, Liz Freitick
- Others in attendance: Stewart Ellison (Camelot Dr.), Roy Christianson (Lake Mendota Dr.); Jon Grefsheim (5209 Harbor Court), Christopher G. Miller (5209 Harbor Ct. builder)
- Notified Absences: Bill Fitzpatrick, Joan Martin, Mark Clear, Herman Felteshausen

Approval of meeting minutes

There was not a quorum of board members for the first part of the meeting so approval of minutes was postponed until the October meeting.

Guest: Jon Grefsheim, 5209 Harbor Ct, 7:03

Mr. Grefsheim said he has lived at this location since 1976 and that his uncle built the house. He will be demolishing the existing house and will be building a two-story 2,300 sq. ft., 3 bedroom house with a 2 car garage. There will be: a deck on the harbor side, no basement, a 4 ft. frost wall and slab. Mr. Grefsheim said he planted all of the trees and built the seawall himself. Will be going before the Plan commission in October. Winter construction.

There was a question about the size of current house: 1,290sq ft, in poor condition. There was a short discussion about the unstable soil. Roy Christianson and Stuart Ellison had some helpful suggestions about stabilizing soils. Aaron asked about removal of trees: one fruit tree at end of life. Stuart asked about runoff: goes directly into lake. Aaron asked about landscape plans: none at this time. Aaron encouraged Mr. Grefsheim to consider rain gardens, bioswales, and/or a retention garden to slow down runoff into the lake. Stuart added that sand from street salting is problem and a bioswale will help capture that runoff before it goes into the lake. Roy asked if there is a sufficient setback. Mr. Miller said had they had a variance for the front setback (which is 5ft). Aaron concluded the presentation by saying that everyone seemed to agree that the new house will be improvement and asked Mr. Grefsheim to send the Board landscaping plans when they become available.

Action: Aaron will let Mark Clear know there were no objections voiced to the plans presented.

Announcements, updates, good works, 7:28

There was a short discussion about the location and possible dates for the Fall neighborhood meeting. Since there is construction at the school, there was general agreement that the meeting should be held at the church, in the larger meeting room. There will be a potluck. Possible dates are October 26 or November 2. Aaron will send an email to the Board to get input on these dates and possible speakers. Mary Beth will check on the availability of the church.

Newsletter assignments, Liz, 7:30

Liz reviewed her list of possible articles for the newsletter. Articles are due to Liz by Sept 29. The newsletter will be ready for delivery two weeks before membership meeting.

Recap of Labor Day jazz event, Barb, 7:40

Barb said there were about a 150 people in attendance. Added that the weather was perfect, Gerri DeMaggio had a nice way of introducing her music, it was a good listening crowd, and there were lots of children with their parents.

Planning Committee update, Stewart, 7:43

Stuart reviewed list he made of current projects, both residential and commercial (document entitled Construction-Development-Spring Harbor-List-September 2017). There was general agreement that the list was helpful in calling attention to the fact that there is a lot of building and changes going on in the neighborhood.

County Supervisor update, if available, 7:53

None.

Future agenda items, 7:58

None discussed.

Adjourned at 8:00

Date of next meeting – Tuesday, October 10

Minutes submitted by Mary Beth Dunning