

Sam Hughes Neighborhood Association Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

June 19, 2001 - 7:00 to 9:00 PM
Himmel Library Meeting Room

Attendees:

Anne Hernandez - President, CCLN Delegate, Improvement District Task Force
Mary Zulli - V.P., Zoning
Leon Bear - Treasurer
Sherry Medina - Secretary, Home Tour Captain
John Blackwell - Historic Preservation
Christine Curtis - Good Neighbor
Donald Harris - Newsletter
Joan Johnson - Traffic

Absent:

C.J. Lipski - V.P., Improvement District Task Force
Dan Dolan - Traffic Co-Chair, CCLN Alternate
Pat Jessup - Mosquito Task Force
Al LeCocq - Home Tour, CCRC
Alex Munday - Webmaster
Janys Neill - CCRC Delegate
John S. O'Dowd, Legal Advisor

Visitors:

Michael Guymon
Paul Mackey
Brad Trainor
Teresa Banks
Amy Nagel
Mike & Kathy Arnold

Welcome & Introductions:

The President called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Approval of Minutes:

Mary moved to accept the May 15th minutes.
John seconded.
Motion carried

Approval of Agenda:

Hearing no objections, the Board proceeded with the agenda as written.
President's Report - Anne Hernandez:

Sadly, Kay Jessup (long-time neighbor and one of the persons instrumental in the expansion of the historic district to encompass the entire neighborhood) passed away recently. Kay's son, Pat Jessup, has resigned from the Board due to family responsibilities. Hearing no objections, Anne accepted Pat's resignation on behalf of the Board.

The SHNA Hotline has been transferred. Effective Friday, June 22nd, there will be 3 voice mailboxes:

- Mosquito Hotline
- Good Neighbor Task Force
- General Messages

Sam Hughes School Funding Request:

Anne has relayed the consensus of the Board to school officials - stating that the Board is more comfortable funding school

projects related to historic preservation. The Site Leadership Council will identify historic preservation projects and will work through the SHNA Historic Preservation Committee.

Treasurer's Report - Leon Bear:

Bank Balance as of 5/31/01:

Regular Shares	59.32
Regular Checking	4,416.23
Money Market Account	9,290.21
Total	\$13,765.76

Committee Reports:

CCRC - Paul Mackey:

The proposed 2nd Street School/U of A partnership is on hold due to a non-compete rule between the U of A and the private sector.

Good Neighbor Committee - Christine Curtis:

No report, as the committee did not meet.

Christine is resigning from the Board, citing personal reasons. Due to this and other vacancies on the Board, it was suggested that notices be published in the newsletter and on the website, soliciting neighbors to fill the Board and committee chairperson vacancies. It was agreed that the Board needs to develop recruitment procedures to manage vacancies.

Christine emphasized the importance of continuing with social activities such as pool parties and potlucks to bring neighbors together and as a vehicle for getting everyone to know the Board members.

Himmel Park - vacancy:

C.J. has been in contact with previous Himmel Park committee members. As yet, no one has expressed an interest in assuming the role of chairperson. The monitor well drilling is almost complete - once completed, only a 2' x 3' box will be visible above ground. The previous shuffleboard court has been converted to a basketball court.

Historic Preservation - John Blackwell:

See attached e-mail report from the 6/8/01 committee meeting.

Mosquito Task Force - Brad Trainor, neighbor:

As an alternative to BTI, there is a product that utilizes CO2 to interrupt the mosquito breeding cycle. Information regarding the product is available on the Internet at [HYPERLINK "http://mosquito-zapper.com" http://mosquito-zapper.com](http://mosquito-zapper.com). Brad will keep the Board posted regarding the product's usefulness.

Newsletter - Donald Harris:

Due to the lack of articles and information from Board members regarding Board activities, Donald is considering a change to the newsletter format.

Traffic - Joan Johnson:

Note regarding the streetlamps along 3rd Street - Clear glass globes currently on some lamps are temporary - frosted globes are on backorder and will be installed when available. The style of lamp does differ from the original, as the old style is no longer available.

Since removal of the traffic light at Broadway & Plumer, traffic on Plumer (between Broadway & 6th) has been reduced at least 80%. Based on studies regarding the removal of the light, it appears that it will remain a pedestrian crossing.

From Michael Guymon - The city has agreed to buy the "Don Mackey" property and will utilize the space for risk management, traffic engineering and various city offices. Signs stating that "the use of Plumer is prohibited . . ." will be closely monitored.

From Paul, regarding the 5th/6th Street expansion study - Due to the fact that there was no support for widening of any kind, the current proposal is to keep the 4 lanes as they are now and, through signage, do something with the curb lane (bus lane/bike lane, etc.). It is unsure at this time exactly how this will work. Once a proposal gets to the design phase, Paul will bring it to the Board for review.

Zoning- Mary Zulli:

2nd Street School/U of A partnership - The 2nd Street School needs a partner to be able to continue operation - it appears that the U of A will not be that partner (due to non-compete agreement with the private sector).

Regarding 824 N. Sawtelle, due to neighbor objections related to wall height, number of bedrooms, etc., the setbacks and parking plan have been redefined. The neighbors have no further objections to communicate to the Board. If objections arise in the future, they will be taken directly to the City.

Ki-Rin liquor license - due to the restaurant's history of serving alcohol to minors, a letter will be drafted by the Zoning Committee, requesting that the liquor license not be renewed.

Trident Restaurant (in the "Big A" building) - Our support for denial of a liquor license was requested by the Elm-Blenman neighborhood association. They have since decided that there are no objections, since Trident is a restaurant and not solely a bar.

Long Wong's - It is the position of the Zoning Committee that Long Wong's application for a liquor license be denied. The Zoning Committee will voice its objections, the City will make a recommendation and the State Board will make the final decision. (Currently, they can serve alcohol if it is brought in from other establishments.)

Guest houses, add-ons and rentals - it was requested that the Zoning Committee investigate how to report and control the construction of unauthorized guesthouses, add-ons and inevitable rentals. The goal, after conversations with the City, would be stepped-up enforcement in this area.

Old Business:

Roles & responsibilities of the Executive Committee - A number of issues have come up regarding the need to strengthen and clarify the SHNA by-laws and policies. It was proposed that Mary & C.J. review the by-laws, bringing specific procedures to the Board for discussion as needed. There were no objections.

Arizona Corporation Commission - The letter to the Corporation Commission requesting that they update their website with the list of current SHNA Board members has been sent.

New Business:

7th St. Neighborhood Wash Cleanup (Brad Trainor & Teresa Banks) - An ad hoc neighborhood association has been formed to maintain the 7th St. wash and bird sanctuary - to keep trees trimmed and, more recently, to clean up the area after 2 arson fires. They have not been successful at soliciting help from the city due to the fact that 75% of the wash is private property and the wash has been designated as a type of preserve (because of the age of the trees). The committee is looking to the Board for advice. Anne suggested that the neighbors meet with representatives from Vice-Mayor Ronstadt's office to discuss jurisdiction issues and to attempt to remove some of the roadblocks. Michael Guymon will help facilitate the meeting.

Fund Raising - Anne proposed that we sell banner ads on the website and in the 2002 Home Tour booklet to offset expenses associated with the tour. There were no objections. With regard to any other fund-raising project, the purpose of the fundraiser must be specifically identified and it must be sanctioned by the Board.

Set agenda for July meeting:

Mary moved and Joan seconded that the July Board meeting be cancelled. The July meeting was cancelled by proclamation.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 PM.