

Sam Hughes Neighborhood Association
Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
February 19, 2002

Board Members in Attendance:

Nancy Avery
Paul Batcheller
Leon Bear
John Blackwell
Ross Curtis
Dennis Garrison

Joan Johnson
Gayle Hartmann
Janys Neill
John O'Dowd

Guests:

Michael Guymon-Ward 6 Aide, Resident
Engineering
Paul Mackey-Resident
Ted DiSanti-Resident
Barry Rothrock-Resident
Ro Pleety-Resident

Vince Catalano-COT Traffic

Ralph Calwell-Business owner on S. Plumer
Denise Blake-Resident – Home Tour

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Agenda was set as follows:

- 1) Election of officers for Board of Directors for Feb 2002 through Jan 2003
 1. Report on 'red tagging' procedures and program's effectiveness
 2. Report on Home Tour
 3. Discuss proposed repeal of current tax reduction for historic residences
 4. Status of Long Wong's application for liquor license
 5. Presentation by COT Traffic Engineering Representative re: possible alternatives for Plumer/Broadway intersection
 6. Committee Reports
 7. Discuss hiring a recording secretary for BOD meetings
 8. New Business

9. Election of Officers:

- John O'Dowd, Board legal advisor, volunteered to conduct the elections
- Mary Zulli was elected President by acclamation
- Leon Bear was asked if he would be willing to serve as Treasurer for another year. Mr. O'Dowd asked if there was anyone else who was interested in serving as Treasurer. Leon Bear was elected Treasurer.
- There were no volunteers who wished to be nominated as Vice President or

Secretary (Membership). These offices will be filled at the next meeting.

-Mr. O'Dowd turned the chairing of the meeting over to Ms. Zulli

1. Nancy Avery reported on the 'red tag' program

- 'red tags' put on houses that cause disturbances with loud parties
- a task force has been formed and met to improve process and coordinate effort
- possible neighborhood involvement in notifying landlords of process and their responsibilities
- task force is part of Campus Community Relations Committee

1. Denise Blake reported on the status of the Home Tour

- at least 1,500 tickets to be printed
- posters will be distributed for Home Tour on Sun, Mar 10th
- volunteers are still needed to stay in homes during the tour

4) John O'Dowd briefly discussed Bills pending in the AZ Legislature to repeal the lower property tax rate for historic homes

- the state is seeking additional revenue due to shortfall in the budget
- Mr. Guymon stated that House Bill # 2250 has already survived 2 House committees and that Ward 6 will ask City of Tucson to lobby against this legislation
- HB# 2250 would make the tax rate for all residences 10% of assessed value; historic homes are currently taxed at 5% of assessed value
- Mr. O'Dowd will prepare a letter stating our objections for our Board President to sign

1. Ms. Zulli reported on the status of Long Wong's application for a liquor license

- this time they are applying for a #7 – beer, wine & package sales license
- different than a restaurant designation, so doesn't require serving food
- Mr. Bear temporarily chairs the meeting so that Ms. Zulli can make a motion
- Motion to ratify previous board letter recommending denial of license to Mayor & Council and to State Liquor Board was made by Ms. Zulli, Seconded by Mr. O'Dowd

-Discussion followed; Motion passed unanimously.

-Ms. Zulli resumed chairing the meeting and gave a report on status of the liquor license at Ki Rin

- the owners have appealed the decision to revoke the license; license remains in place during the appeal process

6) Mr. Catalano made presentation of two alternative configurations for the Plumer/Broadway intersection if traffic light is re-instated after the study period has been completed

- he has met with a group of the business owners south of Broadway near Plumer, and they want the traffic light put back into service
- COT seeking input from the Sam Hughes Neighborhood regarding the two alternatives
- a study will be conducted as soon as a consultant is hired (March); item will probably be on Mayor & Council agenda in July
- Mr. Colwell spoke on behalf of the business owners, stating that some businesses

were hurt by the lack of a traffic signal at Plumer/Broadway
-Mr. O'Dowd thanked Mr. Catalano & Mr. Colwell and stated that the board would discuss the matter
-Ms. Johnson to report back to the Board on how return of traffic signal with alternative intersection configurations would affect our neighborhood and a recommendation for the Board's action at the next meeting

7) Committee Reports:

CCRC – Janys Neill gave committee report

-Nancy Avery to be representative on Red Tag Task Force
-CCRC had tour of the new UA police station
-regarding the University Area Plan – two meetings scheduled:
March 4, 2002 at 1:30 pm - meeting with the designers
March 6, 2002 at 7:30 am – steering committee meeting
-contact Janys for further details

Historic Preservation – John Blackwell gave committee report

-estimate for wrought iron fencing around the water tower from Bif Baker
Fence was \$5,750.00. This estimate was based on using the existing chain link Poles (painted black) to support the new fence. (no action)
-estimated cost for the Sam Hughes Neighborhood historic signs is \$5,319.00; money raised by this year's Home Tour will be used to purchase, and possibly some funds from a grant (no action)
-SHNA received a letter from Tucson Water congratulating the neighborhood on historic designation and also that we can put up wrought iron fence and repair doors without COT permits
-after some discussion re: non-profit and federal tax ID # status for SHNA, Motion was made by Ms. Johnson, Seconded by Ms. Neill for Mr. O'Dowd & Mr. Bear to check on status, report on process to get #. (Fed Tax ID# may be required to get Grant funding)

Treasurer's Report given by Mr. Bear: Bank Account Balances at Jan. 31, 2002

'Regular Shares'	\$ 60.63
Checking Account	\$ 2,992.87
Money Mkt Account	\$11,496.49

The Board Meeting was extended by acclamation

Motion was made by Mr. Bear, seconded by Mr. Blackwell to nominate Mr. O'Dowd to the Board to fill one of the vacancies
Mr. O'Dowd was elected unanimously

- 8) The need for a recording secretary, other than a board member, was discussed.**
Mr. O'Dowd & Mr. Bear volunteered to seek an appropriate person and a tape recorder will be purchased. The recording secretary will be responsible to attend meetings, take notes, prepare the minutes for board members and for the web page.
-Motion made by Mr. O'Dowd, seconded by Ms. Johnson to approve hiring recording secretary and purchasing tape recorder, as above.

-Motion approved unanimously.

Minutes from 12/18/2001 Board Meeting were reviewed by Board members.

Motion made by Mr. Blackwell to accept minutes; seconded by Mr. Bear

Minutes were approved unanimously

Minutes from 01/15/2002 Annual Membership Meeting were reviewed by Board members.

Motion made by Mr. Bear to accept minutes; seconded by Mr. Blackwell

Minutes were approved unanimously

Chair asked if there was any further business and there was none.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Blackwell.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.