

Shorewood on the Sound Community Club

Annual Membership Meeting

Thursday, November 17, 2011

Shorewood Elementary School

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:07 with 23 souls in attendance.

Board Members Present: President Barrett Knudsen, Secretary Kevin DeLashmutt, Treasurer Sarah Whitmyre, Past President Mike Armstrong, Directors: Joe Cail, Bob Edgar, Chestine Edgar, Gary Gibson, Ray Hetrick, Patty Knudsen.

A quorum of Directors was present at the Annual Membership meeting.

Board Members Absent: Vice President Tim Wilhelmi, Patricia Haugen, Jean Spohn.

President's Address: Barrett Knudsen expounds on our superior community and all the good things the club does, and goes on to ask that others get involved and volunteer to help out when they can. Barrett says our club is heard in Burien and respected in local political circles, and Bob adds that SOTS is "one of the strongest and longest lived neighborhoods" in Burien, and politicians tend to respect that kind of record.

Reading of the minutes from October: Kevin DeLashmutt presents the minutes of the October meeting. Joe moves that they be accepted as is. Patty K seconds. Passes unanimously.

Introductions: Bob introduces Rianne BeCraft from the National Wildlife Foundation and informs us she is a Certified Wildlife Habitat Coordinator. Rianne is immediately given the floor and introduces us to backyard habitats by encouraging us to transform our yards into Certified Wildlife Habitats. Front yards, backyards, even school yards and balconies can be certified in this manner. Components of a habitat are that they provide food, cover, water, sustainable growth and a place to raise young. There are 145,000 National Wildlife Habitats nationally. Washington already has 6,434 certified – two members of SOTS in attendance already have certified yards of their own. For more information check with the WA Dept of Fish and Wildlife, and the NW Zoo and Aquarium Association. Or go to their website at www.NWF.org/gardenforwildlife. Lucy Krakowakski is our Burien Wildlife Habitat team leader.

Annual Reports of the Officers:

Report of the Vice President: Tim Wilhelmi – no report.

Report of the Secretary: Kevin DeLashmutt – nothing additional.

Report of the Treasurer: Sarah Whitmyre – Familiar sheets presented by Barrett. We are solvent.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Ecology and Path Maintenance Committee: Jean Spohn – no report.

Beach Committee: Tim Wilhelmi is not here but there is discussion of the beach property and how money is spent. Kevin comments on the plan to put in stairs to provide another access to the beach. Approximate location was taped out at the SalmonBake for attendees to see and comment on.

Welcoming Committee: Sarah Whitmyre not available at the beginning of the meeting, but Patty K says she will be taking over and believes we are, or soon will be, up to date in welcoming new residents. No estimate in the number welcomed in 2011. -

Communication Committee: Bob Edgar talks about the newsletter and how it is our primary ongoing resource and how it is available online on our website. Directory went out to dues paying members. Question

from the audience about the gate code and how often it is changed. Barrett responds that there is currently no reason to update the gate code.

Reports of Event Chairs on Community Events:

Easter Egg Hunt: Joe says 70-80 kids attended. Was a very nice day so we had good attendance and it was a fun event, as usual.

Streets of Garage Sales: Patty Knudsen explains the garage sale and how it works. Says she is done organizing this event and Heather Ingersoll will be taking over the sale for 2012. (Patty has chaired this event for many years and has done a great job).

SummerFest: Barrett Knudsen described the event. Music, clowns, games, etc. People bring chairs and their own drinks and attendance was good.

SalmonBake: Barrett Knudson says he will not organize this event again and would like to see it combined with SummerFest. Jon Newton lead the chefs at the event. Joe was fishing in Alaska and sent down the fish. Patty K and Patricia H bought the other food.

Candidate Night: - Joe says this was a great event this year as there were 11 contested positions. All candidates attended and there were about 75 people in the audience. Lots of great questions. League of Women Voters moderated the event. Kevin kept time. Joe fussed about.

Christmas Home Decorating Contest: Kevin tells us it will be judged on December 18th this year. There will be a form on the website to help you with your selection. There has been a neighborhood request that the grand prize winner is to have made at least some effort at energy efficiency. As usual Kevin will not be judging, but if necessary will be the tie breaker after all votes are received. Categories are again First Prize, Runner-Up, Highest Wattage, and Most Original. Winners get free dues for 2012.

Election of Officers and Directors: See 2012 Slate of Officers and Directors (attached). Angelica moves Slate be accepted as is. Cal seconds. Barrett proceeds with election and asks for a vote of hands from all attending. Vote on Slate of nominates is approved by all attendees. No votes against.

New Action items/Additions to Agenda

- 1) Break-ins – Gary notifies us that there have been 5 daytime break-ins in the NE part of our neighborhood. People have been going door to door, casing houses to break in. (Door to door sales are illegal in Burien.) A Renton woman was tied up and robbed in her home. Following delivery trucks and stealing deliveries is getting common. City Light employees are also being impersonated.
- 2) Lori Davis with Nancy Holmes present Smart Boards to the group, requesting community funds in support. Nancy says the kids love it and love interacting with it. Script is also a good idea.
- 3) Bob hands out a Sustainability handout about our environment.
- 4) Loren asks when we will be pulling our funds out of Bank of America accounts. Barrett says we will be discussing this in detail in future meetings.

Adjournment: Angelica moves meeting be adjourned. Joe seconds. Passes. Meeting adjourned at 8:20.

Next Meeting: 7pm, January 19 at Barrett and Patty's house – 12155 Marine View Dr SW

Secretary: 

Kevin DeLashmutt

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Shorewood on the Sound Community Club
2012 Officers and Directors

Officers: (all incumbent)

Barrett Knudsen (2012)- President,

Tim Wilhelmi (2012)- Vice-President

Kevin DeLashmutt (2012)- Secretary

Sarah Whitmyre (2012) - Treasurer.

Newly Elected Directors

Beginning new terms through 2014 are:

Patty Knudsen (incumbent)

Beth Kleparek (new member)

Directors Continuing:

Continuing their term through 2012 are:

Joe Cail, Bob Edgar, Patricia Haugen, Jean Spohn.

Continuing their term through 2013 are:

Chestine Edgar, Gary Gibson, Ray Hetrick.