

Shorewood on the Sound Community Club

General Membership Meeting

Thursday, June 17, 2011

Kevin DeLashmutt's house

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm.

Board Members Present: President Barrett Knudsen, Vice President Tim Wilhelmi, Secretary Kevin DeLashmutt, Treasurer Sarah Whitmyre, Directors: Bob Edgar, Chestine Edgar, Gary Gibson, Patricia Haugen, Ray Hetrick, Patty Knudsen.

A quorum of Directors was present at the Membership meeting.

Board Members Absent: Joe Cail, Jean Spohn, Michael Armstrong.

Community Guests: Eric LeBerg, Scott Weidenkopf, David Engdahl .

President's Report: None.

Reading of the minutes: Minutes of the last meeting were emailed to all board members prior to tonight's meeting. Everyone had a chance to read a draft of the minutes prior to the start of the meeting so no one objects to not reading last month's minutes aloud. No changes noted. Patty H moves the minutes be accepted with no changes. Patty K seconds. Unanimous approval.

Addition to the Agenda: 1) Neighborhood water quality issue and display of plugged residential water filter.
2) Scott Weidenkopf Eagle Scout Project. 3) Chestine on Covenant enforcement.

Secretary Report: 6/13/2011 Kevin received 1 page notice from the IRS of revocation of Club's tax-exempt status for failure to file a tax return for at least 3 years.

This date received two photographs of neighbor's fence, a one page letter asking the club to write a letter to a resident notifying them of a their covenant violation, a one page example of a notification written by past president Gary Gibson, and the two page Shoreview covenants. All received from Chestine Edgar (Shoreview covenants provided by Kevin).

This date received 18 pages from Scott Weidenkopf titled Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project Workbook, outlining his Eagle Scout project.

Treasurer Report: Sarah produces familiar sheets, 4 in all. We are solvent. Tim makes a motion to approve the report, Patty K seconds. Unanimous approval.

Reports of Community Events: Streets of Garage Sales chair Patty Knudsen reports that there were no problems and everyone enjoyed themselves. Patty also makes it very clear she has enjoyed organizing Streets of Garage Sales over the last 10 years, but that she is now through heading up this particular event. Patty asks if Jennifer Ingersoll would be an acceptable chair. All agree Jennifer would be fine.

Update on Burien Comprehensive Plan revisions – Chestine says the city is ignoring our neighborhood comments and concerns. The city is also looking at the process for creating neighborhood plans for other parts of the city. Currently the Salmon Creek Neighborhood Plan is the only one in existence in Burien.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Ecology and Path Maintenance Committee: None.

Beach Committee: None.

Welcoming Committee: None.

Communication Committee: None.

Previous Action Items: Advertising guidelines – The Communication Committee has not yet met to discuss this issue. No discussion. Carried forward.

Beach Stairs – Tim Says he talked to Burien and they want assurances any stairs we build meet code, are safe, and do not increase or cause erosion of the hillside. At the minimum they will require concrete slabs to be poured at the upper and lower landings as anchors. Tim says he has one bid for \$8,000 to complete the work, but additional bids are needed and the committee hasn't met on this issue for some time. Recommendation is we all look the site over at the next meeting. Carried forward.

SummerFest Permit Packet – Barrett received packet from Sarah, who got it from Joe. Done.

Invite David Engdahl to talk with us about Covenants – David shows up. Done.

Salmon Creek Management Plan for Board – No report. Carried forward.

New Action items/Additions to Agenda: Water Quality – Kevin displays an algae plugged household water filter he received from Sabine Cassell. Sabine says this is from one month's water usage at her house on Shorewood Dr. She also told Kevin that the city has recently cleaned the water distribution box at the top of the hill, and that there was a recent algae bloom in Lake Young that may have contributed to the problem.

Scott Weidenkopf Eagle Scout Project – Scott presents us with an 18 page plan outlining his public awareness campaign to stencil warnings on all the storm drain catch basins within our neighborhood. Warnings to read "DUMP NO WASTE – DRAINS TO STREAM." Some discussion about expanding the project to other neighborhoods follows. Scott agrees it is a great idea, but wants to start with our neighborhood first. Keeping us on track, he continues with his cost estimate saying the entire cost of his project should be about \$130 in materials and pizza, plus free Scout labor from his troop. Kevin makes a motion to provide Scott with a club donation of \$130 to fund this improvement with pizza. Sarah seconds and throws in her son to help. Motion passes unanimously.

Chestine Edgar and David Engdahl on Shoreview Covenants, and covenants in general – Discussion is about covenant enforcement and the Club's mission to promote relationships between homeowners while still aiding in the enforcement and preservation of our current covenants, conditions, and restrictions (CC&Rs). All of the neighborhood covenants we know of are legally binding, are able to be updated, modified, and abandoned by majority vote, and automatically extend in successive 10 year periods. Some of our current CC&Rs conflict with city and county code. David points out that the more restrictive standard is usually enforced, but ultimately a judge gets to decide on the merits of each individual case. In our neighborhood there are many different plats, but most of the plats' CC&Rs state that if they conflict with local ordinance then the local ordinance shall take precedence and be enforced. But our local ordinance recognizes the importance of maintaining neighborhood CC&Rs and provides exceptions regarding enforcement which favor following CC&Rs. Board members agree that the board is tasked to act on requests from residents but cannot in itself enforce CC&Rs unless the violation directly impacts neighborhood owned property. The general conscientious is that promoting neighborliness requires that on request we notify residents whenever they violate CC&Rs. Sarah moves the club write a letter to the neighbors who violated covenants, per historical precedence. Ray seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

Adjournment: Kevin moves we adjourn. Gary seconds. All agree. Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Next Meeting: 7pm, July 21 at the Shorewood Community Beach

Secretary: 
Kevin DeLashmutt

Carried-over Action Items noted:

Advertising Policy..... Communication Committee
Beach stairs..... Beach committee
Get Jennifer Buening Management plan to Board..... Jean

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