

SOTS MEETING Minutes – June 11, 2015

- A. Call to order** – 7:12 PM – Patty and Barrett Knudsen, Bob Edgar, Kyle Lonzak, Jean Spohn, Betsy and Dana Wheelock, Gary Harris, Randy Churchill and Rick Goroski in attendance.
- B. Welcome to Guests** – Angelica Spates
- C. Communications of the President** – Barrett thanked Jean for hosting the meeting and putting out snacks/refreshments.
- D. Minutes and Report of the Secretary** – Minutes had been distributed in advance – Board members were in agreement with all but one paragraph. Minutes were approved with the deletion of that paragraph.
- E. Report of the Treasurer – Gary Harris**
- a. Savings = \$18,454.39; Checking = \$6,590.54; Total = \$25,044.93**
- b. Discussion of the Budget** – Gary reiterated that the budget was what was agreed to in January – adjusted due to storage unit increase and the line item for the Board was increased to \$200 to include the gift certificates for Joe Cail and Kevin Deleschmutt. Betsy thanked Gary for taking care of that. Barrett solicited approval for the budget as currently amended – Jean motioned for approval, Patty seconded and it was voted approved.
- c. Discussion of reminder dues notices and missing #9 envelope template** – Barrett had brought addressed envelopes for the reminder dues notices with the intention of having the Board members stuff them – however, there were none of the smaller return envelopes that are provided along with the reminder dues notices and that it would be delayed until the smaller envelopes were printed. Dana and Betsy agreed to take care of the envelope stuffing and mailing once Barrett provided the smaller envelopes.
- F. Discussion of Vice President position** - Barrett reported that Tim Wilhelmi had stepped down from the position of Vice President to Board member and that Randy Churchill had stepped up to take Tim's place. Gary made a motion to appoint Randy to the Vice President position, Betsy seconded, a vote was taken and Randy was officially placed in the position of Vice President of the SOTS Community Club. Barrett also reported that Beth Kleparek wished to be replaced as a Board member and pointed out that the change of the SOTS community club meetings that are now held on the second Thursday of the month conflicts with Board member Rand Fullington's

schedule and that Rand will not be able to make very many of the meetings – However, Rand continues to provide valuable service as the administrator of the address database and other SOTS information – he will attend meetings when he is available.

Betsy indicated that the third Thursday was no longer a conflict for her if changing the meeting day back would help. Jean said that the third Thursday was still a conflict for here – no change was made.

G. Committee Reports

- a. Communications – Bob, Chestine, Barrett, Kyle, Betsy** – Bob reminded that Chestine had originally volunteered to take on the job as Editor of the Newsletter for a one year commitment, but had been doing it for much longer and that she would be retiring/resigning from that duty. Betsy said that she would gladly take on that responsibility for now. Kyle made a motion, Dana seconded, a vote was taken and Betsy is now the Editor of the SOTS Newsletter.
- b. Beach – Tim, Jean, Guy** – Jean reported that Beach was in satisfactory condition and that Ivy and other weeds had been pulled in April.
- c. Welcoming Committee – Patty, Beth** – Patty indicated that there were a number of new neighbors. Barrett said that there was a need for some process to update Patty on new neighbors moving into the neighborhood and suggested that Angelica could help as she is a real estate agent and has better access to that kind of information. Discussion followed regarding providing directories to new neighbors. However, there are no more copies and since the directory was going to be revised for 2016, no more of the current issue would be printed.
- d. Ecology/Path Maintenance – Jean, Guy** – Jean indicated that she would be organizing a work party for the Shorewood Park this fall. Gary inquired about Salmon Creek and if there was any work going on there this year. Jean said she wasn't leading the Salmon Creek project.
- e. Current Board members:**
 - 1. President is Barrett Knudsen**
 - 2. Acting Vice-President is Randy Churchill**
 - 3. Secretary is Dana Wheelock**
 - 4. Treasurer is Gary Harris**
 - 5. Newsletter Editor is Chestine Edgar**

6. Board Members are Jean Spohn, Tim Wilhelmi, Bob Edgar, Rand Fullington, Rick Goroski, Beth Kleparek, Patty Knudsen, Kyle Lonzak, Lori Buchsbaum

H. Discussion of Web Page maintenance – Eli/Jesse – Kyle’s neighbors – Kyle provided an update on his effort to recruit his neighbors Eli and Jessie to maintain the SOTS website. He indicated that they were on board and that he would try to get them to attend the next meeting. Barrett indicated that Kevin will help with the transition.

I. Discussion of 2015 Events

a. Streets of Garage Sales, Heather, 6/13/15 – On track for the upcoming Saturday.

b. SummerFest, Barrett, 7/18/15 – On track for July 18th – Barrett reported that the face painter from the past has moved on. Face painting has been very popular with the younger kids. Randy indicated that Camille may have a recommendation for a face painter.

Rick noted that Joe Cail had provided one of the grills in the past and asked if he would be lending it this year. Barrett said that he would ask Joe.

Gary inquired about the street use permit and noted that Joe may have handled that in the past. Barrett said that he would handle permit(s) for the Summerfest event.

c. SalmonBake, Tim and John, 8/22/15 – Tim and John will be heading up the Salmon Bake.

d. Christmas Lights, Kyle, December 2015 – Kyle will head up the event and will provide some outreach in advance – probably via the Newsletter.

J. Any Further New Business

a. Approval of November 2014 Annual Meeting Minutes (Bob) – Bob and Barrett will regroup and prepare minutes from the 2014 Annual Meeting that was held last November.

b. Discussion of abandoned house (Marv and/or Laurel if available) – Barrett had emailed an update on the abandoned house to the Board members earlier. Nothing more to add.

c. Discussion of formulating a SOTS Mission Statement – Bob read the mission statement from the SOTS directory.

d. Need to prepare a bulleted list of why supporting SOTS is a benefit to home ownership in Shorewood – Gary said the history of the community should be included and the

added value of the Community Club, Beach, etc. should be highlighted. Gary also offered to print something up to display – Betsy said that she would follow up with Gary. Bob suggested to include old photos. Barrett said that he needed someone to go to the storage unit with him to help organize it – Kyle offered to help as did Dana and Betsy.

K. City Items (Bob) – Bob reported that the vacant lots adjacent to Burien City Hall where there had been an old bank and the Meal Makers restaurant were being developed into a senior home and some apartments.

L. Next Meeting is on July 9, 2015 @ the beach – bring sharable snacks as you are able

M. Adjournment – 8:45 PM