

## SOTS Meeting 9/19/2013 host by Tim Wilhelmi

### A. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:16 by President Barrett Knudsen

Present: Barrett Knudsen, Bob Edgar, Kevin DeLashmutt, Tim Wilhelmi, Joe Cail, Gary Harris, Patty Knudsen

Visitors: Judy Fisher & Rhonda Ruderman, Standring Lane President

### B. Communications of the President & Introduction of Visitors

There was no communications from the President.

### C. Minutes and Report of the Secretary

Guy Lawrence sent out a copy of last month's meeting minutes prior to the meeting for review. Minutes were accepted.

Bob Edgar agreed to take minutes of the meeting in Guy's absence.

### D. Report of the Treasurer

Treasurer Gary Harris shared the balances of the club's bank accounts. As of 9/18: Checking: \$1,080.00; Savings: \$18,006.63; Total: \$19,086.63

### E. Neighborhood Covenants – **Ray**, Kevin, Joe, Tim, Gary, Betsy, Lori

#### a. Discussion of Standring Lane "Open Space" designation

Visitor Rhonda Ruderman, President of the Standring Lane residents, expressed their concern that the community map incorrectly designates the unbuildable land east of Standring Lane as "Open Space" and the community map needs to be changed. She also referenced a letter that had been sent to the Board members (attached).

There was much discussion about the sudden concern about this wording since this designation has been part of the community map for many years, visible to all community members since this map has been included in the Club directory for just as many years, and no one had objected to the designation for all these years.

A letter (attached) submitted by Director Chestine Edgar and a written comment (attached) by submitted by Lori were read for the record.

There was also discussion about the expectation that the Board of Directors honor their request while there has been a history of Standring Lane residents have not supporting the Shorewood on the Sound Community Club.

The Standring Lane residents were concerned that the "Open Space" designation suggested the land was open to public access. Gary Harris moved that the designation be changed to "Private Open Space". This was seconded by Patty Knudsen and passed on a 6 to 2 vote with Directors Bob Edgar and Chestine Edgar voting against. The change to map will be made when the Club directory is updated in 2015.

#### b. Discussion of the upcoming September 26 Community Covenants Meeting

The intent is to collect additional information. Invitations/reminders have been mailed to the community. A matrix showing the four options will be presented. When the various area's covenants are to be voted on, each parcel will have one vote.

## F. Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

## G. Committee Reports

### a. Ecology/Path Maintenance – **Jean**, Guy

#### 1. Segale property

Tim Wilhelmi expressed a desire for the club to submit a letter to the City of Burien in response to the proposed modification of the Salmon Creek stream buffer to support the construction of a single-family home on the Mario Segale property. The City of Burien is accepting written comments prior to 5:00 pm on September 20, 2013 (the City of Burien Notice of Application is attached).

Over the years, the Club has had an ongoing interest in opening Salmon Creek so that returning salmon can access the creek. The request was officially documented in the Salmon Creek Neighborhood Plan filed with the City of Burien in 2004.

The major concerns are the fence at the mouth of the creek that is keeping salmon from entering the creek and the culvert which some have suggested is an additional barrier to salmon swimming upstream.

Members were encouraged to submit letters to the City. President Barrett Knudsen signed a prepared Shorewood on the Sound response (attached) and will hand deliver it to City Hall tomorrow. Only people or organizations who submitted comments may appeal the City's decision on the application.

### b. Communication – **Bob**, Chestine, Kevin, Barrett

There was a brief discussion on moving from paper to an electronic distribution of the club's newsletter. A specific target dated to transition to an electronic distribution was not determined. Concerns were raised about community members who did not have computers, how to avoid spam filters and how to send bulk emails. While 100 percent electronic distribution is not likely and some members have requested that they not receive emails from the club, we may need to consider an opt in/out processes. If we select a transition date, we may need to explain the transition in at least two consecutive newsletters so that members can choose how to be informed of club news and events. We also discussed a proposition to include the dues notice in the January Newsletter rather than waiting until Spring.

Bob Edgar and Kevin DeLashmutt will explore how other organizations deal with sending bulk emails.

### c. Beach – **Tim**, Joe, Kevin, Jean, Ray

- The picnic tables and handrail along the path was repaired in time for the Salmon Bake. Extra planking was used to create additional seating.
- Nothing to report on the storm water drainage and culvert. The City is to monitor storm water runoff during this winter.
- Maintenance of the beach area was done by volunteers.

d. Welcoming – **Patty**

One family has moved into the neighborhood.

H. Salmon Bake – Joe Cail

Joe reported a great turnout and thanked all the volunteers who helped setup and cleanup. Details of the Salmon Bake have been included in the club's newsletter.

I. Annual Meeting – Joe Cail

Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 21 at Shorewood Elementary school. Joe and Barrett will work on the agenda. Barrett has agreed to another year as club President and Tim agreed to another year as club Vice-President.

J. Neighborhood Block Watch – Joe Cail

Information was collected on the blockwatch map during the Salmon Bake. A Blockwatch presentation may be a topic for the Annual Meeting.

K. City Items – Bob

Bob stated that the Planning Commission will be holding a September 25 Public Hearing on Interim Zoning Regulations Related to Recreational Marijuana Businesses in Burien.

L. Review of previous Action Items

None.

M. Future Meeting Dates

Board Meeting: Thursday 10/17 at Gary Harris

Candidate Forum: Tuesday 10/22 at Shorewood Elementary school

Annual Meeting: Thursday 11/21 at Shorewood Elementary school

Meeting was adjourned at 9:12 pm and a work party was convened to prepare the club newsletter for mailing.

Respectfully submitted by

Bob Edgar

Attachments:

September 15, 2013 Letter to Barrett Knudsen from Ronda Ruderman: Map Terminology

September 19, 2013 Letter to Club Directors from Chestine Edgar: Map Terminology

Undated note from Lori Buchsbaum: Map terminology

August 30, 2013 City of Burien Notice of Application: Segale Construction Permit

September 19, 2013 Letter to David Johanson from Barrett Knudsen: Segale Construction Permit