

Shorewood on the Sound Community Club

General Membership Meeting

Thursday, October 20, 2011

Gary Gibson & Lynn Mikel's house – 12109 24th PI SW

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:12pm. Gary supplies lots of food and drink. Lynn too.

Board Members Present: President Barrett Knudsen, Vice President Tim Wilhelmi, Secretary Kevin DeLashmutt, Directors: Joe Cail, Bob Edgar, Chestine Edgar, Gary Gibson, Patricia Haugen, Ray Hetrick, Patty Knudsen, Jean Spohn (arrived late).

A quorum of Directors was present at the Membership meeting.

Board Members Absent: Past President Mike Armstrong, Treasurer Sarah Whitmyre.

Community Guests: Beth Kleparek, Eric Leberg, Betty Holland.

President's Report: none

Reading of the minutes: Minutes of the last meeting were emailed to all board members prior to the meeting. Everyone had a chance to read a draft of the minutes prior to the start of the meeting. No changes noted. Patty H moves the minutes be accepted with no changes. Tim seconds. Unanimous approval.

Addition to the Agenda: - Maple trees for Harris Triangle – Kevin. Spray paint resupply for graffiti abatement – Kevin. Motion we move all of our bank accounts from BofA - Bob. Notice the Environmental Science Center open house is Sunday from 12-4 – Bob.

Secretary Report: This date, received from Bob & Chestine Edgar a letter updating us on their progress in upholding neighborhood covenants near their home. Chestine added they may still request additional club support as they have not abandoned their efforts to reach an agreement with their next door neighbors. There were no dissenting opinions and no motions made to not support the Edgars from any of the directors in attendance, and the board was supportive of the Edgars efforts.

Treasurer Report: Sarah is not present, so Barrett produces familiar sheets, 4 in all. We are solvent. Chestine moves to approve the report, Patty H seconds. Unanimous approval.

Reports of Community Events: Upcoming: Candidate night is ready to go. 6:30 to 9:00 October 25. Important to attend as people's votes have been changed by this forum. Chestine points out that 3 out of 6 City of Burien council members don't think the city needs neighborhood plans. She has sent a press release to the Burien Blog. Joe sent out cover letters to all candidates. A full slate of 14 candidates will be attending Upcoming: Annual meeting. 7:00pm November 17 at Shorewood Elementary Gym. Joe says everything is ready at the school. Signs need to be put up prior. Election of Officers: Barrett Knudson - President, Tim Wilhelmi - Vice-President, Kevin DeLashmutt - Secretary, Sarah Whitmyre - Treasurer. Directors continuing their term through 2012 are Joe Cail, Bob Edgar, Patricia Haugen, Jean Spohn. Through 2013 are Chestine Edgar, Gary Gibson, Ray Hetrick. Through 2014 are Patty Knudson and new nominee Beth Kleparek for the one open position on the board. Speaker for the Annual meeting may be Courtney Sullivan from the National Wildlife Foundation. Bob to confirm with Courtney prior to event.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Ecology and Path Maintenance Committee: Jean says the last work party of the season had 35 people attend from a local church. They planted 20 willow stakes. Tim had his own cleanup on the east side of Salmon Creek. Found signs of homeless occupation. Barrett suggests setting up a new committee tasked with finding church and school groups to help clean up our parks. Chestine suggests that we instead budget funds to a kids outreach program to get young volunteers by bribing them with pizza and soft drinks.

Beach Committee: Beach cleaned for the SalmonBake. All is well. No comments from SalmonBake attendees about proposed stairs, as laid out by the yellow caution tape downhill off of the main trail. Decision and plans for stairs to be carried over to the spring.

Welcoming Committee: No report.

Communication Committee: New ad for the newsletter. No advertising policy yet. We need a meeting and Bob agrees to set something up in the near future.

Previous Action Items:

Communication committee ad policy for newsletter. No meeting yet – carried over.

Beach stairs bids. No new information – carried over to Spring.

Tax exempt status. Sarah working on it, but not here to discuss. – carried over.

Jennifer Buening’s Salmon Creek management plan copy to board from Jean – carried over.

New Action items/Additions to Agenda:

New Maple Trees in Harris Triangle: Burien agrees to cut down all the invasive choke cherry trees in the triangle per the request of local residents but on the condition that the trees be replaced with at least 5 native maples. Kevin requests \$300 for Maple trees and materials and will plant them himself. Board agrees to allocate \$300 to purchase trees and supplies. No new funds needed as money will come from the unused portion of the ecology budget. Passed.

Graffiti removal supplies: Kevin is out of gray spray paint for the wall near the entrance to Standring Ln and requests funds from board to resupply. Jean says Myron Clinton with the City of Burien will take care of the graffiti for free. All we have to do is call and he usually comes out in a day or so. The city may also provide some supplies if we need it. Kevin withdraws resupply request. Will instead write article for the November newsletter about graffiti removal.

Environmental Center Open House: Bob notifies us that the new center will be open this Sunday (10/23) in Seahurst Park from 1-4. Jean confirms. Some discussion on what this is follows.

Banking Move: Bob would like us to move all our accounts from Bank of America. Tim concurs and suggests a local credit union. Barrett not in favor of a move. Treasurer not in attendance so discussion tabled until the next meeting. Possible subject of Annual meeting.

Program of the Day: - None.

Adjournment: - Patty H wants to go home, moves we adjourn. Chestine seconds motion. Unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 8:57pm.

Next Meeting: Annual Meeting - 7pm, November 17 at the Shorewood Elementary School – 2725 SW 116th St

Secretary: 
Kevin DeLashmutt

Carried-over Action Items noted:

- Advertising Policy..... Communication Committee
- Beach stairs..... Beach committee, January
- Get Jennifer Buening Management plan to Board..... Jean
- Tax Exempt Status..... Sarah#