

SOTS Meeting Minutes May 12, 2016

Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 7:12. In attendance; Lori and Steve Buchsbaum, Jean Spohn, Patty and Barrett Knudsen, Angelica Spates, Rand Fullington, Bob Edgar, Rick Goroski and Dana Wheelock

Welcome Guests – Technically, Steve Buchsbaum (host)

Minutes and report of Secretary - April meeting minutes had been provided in draft form. Minor edits/corrections made. Barrett motioned to approve, Lori seconded the motion, voted approved.

Report of Treasurer – Gary Harris, vacationing in Hawaii. Barrett reported current balances; Checking \$632.26, Savings \$28,702.18, Total \$29,335.44

Budget – Not discussed

Standing Committees & Events

Welcoming – (Patty K, Angelica) – Patty reported that there were two new neighbors. Some discussion regarding which logo to use on the new mugs. The current piling with the Shorewood sign was chosen.

Ecology / Path Maintenance – (Jean Spohn) Jean indicated that she was planning a work party for sometime this fall – more info to come later.

Communications – (Bob, Chestine, Kyle, Betsy, Angelica)

Newsletter – (Betsy) – The Newsletter has been printed and envelopes are addressed. The group will take a few minutes at the end of the meeting to stuff and seal the envelopes. Dana will handle the mailing.

Web Page (Jesse & Eli) – Angelica noted that the website had current Meeting Minutes. However, the photos were quite outdated and she asked for some newer photos such as from the Easter Egg Hunt. Jean indicated that there were photos taken at the work party in April.

New Directory (Steve B., Kyle L.) – Rand reported that the address database was up to date with input from the most recent survey. Angelica suggested that the History that is currently in the Directory be linked to the website and not included in the Directory – all agreed. Dana said that he thought that listings alphabetically and by address should be sufficient. Angelica suggested that the Emergency Preparedness, Beach Rules and CC&R info be left out of the new Directory as it is all on the website. Steve asked if he could get a copy of the latest file.

Rick reminded that the directories only went out to dues paying members. Patty reminded that new members got their dues excused for the first year and were given a Directory as part of the Welcoming Baskets.

Beach – (Jean Spohn) – Jean reported that gate looked good and that the old codes were still working.

City Items – (Bob Edgar) – Bob reported that there had been updates to the Shoreline Master Plan, however the changes were minimal. He also mentioned that the new fire station was having an open house and that the new White Center Library would be opening soon.

Events for 2016

Streets of Garage Sales – Proposed date of June 4 by Heather – still on track. Information was added to the website and was also included in the most recent Newsletter.

Salmon Bake (Jon Newton) Aug 20 – Follow up discussion on purchasing new tents prior to the Salmon Bake. One of the three existing tents is in disrepair and the other two are getting older, but still usable. It was agreed that two new tents would be purchased – Dana will handle that.

By-Laws – Angelica said that she had submitted a short article for the Newsletter that included a request for interested community members to volunteer to be on the task force. Rick asked if this was a ‘clean-up’ or a ‘re-write’? Angelica indicated that the current By-laws were well written and that there were only a few places that could use additional clarity. This would be more of an update, not a ‘re-write’. Lori suggested waiting to see what kind of responses were received indicating interest in the task force before moving too far ahead. She also suggested that once there was a list of those interested in being on the task force that there should be a special meeting that also included the board prior to launching. Angelica agreed that some time should be given to see who steps up after the Newsletter is published. She also suggested recruiting Marv Jahnke as he has had experience in the past. Angelica asked about the size of the task force. Rand suggested ten members, give or take. Rick made a motion that the task force would be used to ‘clean-up’ the By-laws and that they would not be making substantive changes – Barrett seconded – passed unanimously. Angelica suggested that further discussion be tabled for now.

Any Unfinished or New Business – Dana reported on his efforts with the City of Burien regarding the storm drain discharge that appears to be contributing to erosion of the hillside at the Beach. The city responded indicating that they would reclaim the section of abandoned pipe that was precariously balanced on some logs at the base of the slide area and apologized for neglecting to remove it earlier. However, they contend that the discharge pipe on the active system is not causing any of the erosion and essentially blew us off. Dana agreed to do a little more investigating and would readdress at the next meeting.

Next Meeting – June – Rick Goroski to host. July- Beach, August possible Beach meeting prior to the Salmon Bake.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM. Newsletter envelope stuffing followed.