

SHOREWOOD ON THE SOUND BOARD MEETING

February 12, 2007

Home of Margaret Barrett and Joe Cail

Call to Order: President Pat Haugen called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm.

Members Present: Pat, Pat, Bob, Cal, Patty, Jean, Nancy, Trish, Barrett, Gary, Mike, Ted, Kevin and Joe.

Guests: Carol Dona and Chestine Edgar. (Carol presented pictures and her report of storm damage at the beach before the meeting was called to order.)

Minutes: The minutes from the January 18, 2007 meeting were approved as read.

Budget Forecast for 2007:

The Budget Committee presented their budget ideas for 2007. They included the following changes from the 2006 budget:

- *changed/reduced the amount we will need for insurance
- *added money need to run the SOTS web site
- *added money for beach and park maintenance

Patricia said she will need more money for the Welcoming Committee as she needs to order SOTS mugs.

The Board approved the budget but allocated \$350 to the Welcoming Committee.

Treasurer's Report: Barrett reported that \$643 in dues money has come in giving us \$7935.69 in total equity as of Jan. 31, 2007.

Newsletter: The Board discussed making the newsletter larger (11" x 17") and having more advertisers. The Board decided to let Kevin decide these matters. Cal voted 'nay' because our by-laws state that there should be a communications committee to oversee the newsletter. Pat said that he and Joe are doing that and will also have Gary on the committee. The Board also decided not to list whom to call at the end of the article about houses in SOTS that have sold. Trish suggested that we list the names of new SOTS residents in the newsletter.

Welcoming Committee: Patricia has welcomed two new families to our area. She also reported that Kerry Meacham, an SOTS resident, can get us coffee mugs and latte cups with our crab logo. The Board requested that she buy extra for people to purchase.

Membership Committee: Mike reported that as of February 8, 2007 we have 98 paid members or 21% of the SOTS residents. Kevin will mention paying your dues in the next newsletter. The Board also thought we might change the gate code in June.

Ecology Report:

Shorewood Park: On February 2, 2007 Jean met with Lisa Aumann, volunteer coordinator for Burien Parks, and Myron Clinton, maintenance supervisor for Burien Parks, to discuss maintaining Shorewood Park. On Saturday, February 17th SOTS residents Jean, Ted, and Barb Williams will lead a walk at the park to share some of the park's history, ideas for native planting, etc. On the third Sat. of every month they will have a park clean-up/ivy pull. (The city will poison the holly.) Jean will have four 2-sided metal signs made at Burien Sign advertising this event. Jean wants everyone to sign in at each event as the Parks Department gets grant money according to the number of volunteers attending.

Beach Report: Ted, Jean and Mitch met with Marv Jehnke, former SOTS president, to look at the beach. Cal will join them next time. Marv and Cal have worked on beach maintenance in the past. The committee reported that the bulk head above Bud Rice's property is sliding. In the past Cal has talked to officials with the city of Burien about widening the outflow and bringing in an overland pipe. The committee will draft a letter to the city of Burien at the Feb. 15th meeting. It was suggested that we might replace our trail with a metal bridge. Ted will talk to Randy Ingersoll, SOTS resident and contractor. Ted's committee felt that the second slab of cement at the boat ramp was poorly installed and needs to be taken out.

Carol Dona reported that she didn't feel there was any more damage to our seawall then when she took pictures last March.

Ted will talk to his brother about using expandable foam to strengthen our seawall.

Ted also would like to plant native plants at the beach. He will get a list of volunteers from Pat and some money from Barrett.

Steve Cox Memorial: We have sent a letter to the North Highline Residents Association suggesting we change Shorewood Park's name to Steve Cox Memorial Park, in memory of Steve Cox, a King County detective and former SOTS resident, who was killed in the line of duty.

Candidates' Forum: Joe will host a forum in September.

Mission Statement: After much discussion, the Board voted to establish our mission statement as "Shorewood on the Sound Neighbors working together to maintain a comfortable, friendly and secure community." This will be added to our letterhead.

Web Site: The Board decided to keep the present web address. The site should be up and running Tuesday, Feb. 13th. Trish has volunteered to maintain the site.

Underground Wiring: Cal has had no response from the inquiries he has made to City Light.

Next Meeting: The next Board meeting will be March 15th at the home of Mary and Ted Daly.

Community Outreach: Ted and Trish suggested we collect food and money at the Street of Garage Sales and the Salmon Bake for the White Center Food Bank. The bank feeds 1100-1200 families in our area a month.

Future Meetings: Kevin volunteered to host the September board meeting and Trish volunteered for October.

Dog Problems: We were reminded that there are no leash laws in Burien or King County except for parks, but Kevin will again put an article in the next newsletter reminding SOTS residents to leash their dogs and pick up their "droppings".

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Lemmon
SOTS Board secretary