

MINUTES MARCH 16, 2010 (Approved April 20, 2010)
HIDDEN SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

LOCATION: Rosemont Ridge Middle School, The Commons/Cafeteria

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by President, Alex Kachirisky. Other officers in attendance: Scott Howard, Vice President; Susan Van de Water, Secretary/Treasurer.

QUORUM DATA: There were 36 members in attendance. The quorum of at least 10% was reached.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: It was moved by Jim Brown and seconded, that the Draft Minutes of the February 16, 2010 Meeting be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT. Susan Van de Water presented a summary of the HSNA Account Summary describing expenses by category and date expenses incurred. Supporting documents were submitted. The total available balance in the HSNA account as of March 3, 2010 is \$2,243.66. (Presentation and supporting documentation attached)

She reported that, despite numerous attempts to affect the transfer from the previous HSNA Board of all HSNA records, as well as all personal property purchased with HSNA grant funds; or purchased for HSNA with personal funds that were subsequently reimbursed by the City, that transfer has not yet occurred. She entertained the motion:

“Be it resolved:

- Whereas, there is a demonstrated lack of responsiveness to multiple requests that the previous HSNA Board relinquish:
 - Originals or copies of any and all electronic and physical records used by the previous Board and/or required by NA governing documents, and
 - Any and all personal property items acquired with HSNA funds and/or City reimbursements, as outlined in:
 - HSNA Account Record July 1, 2008 through March 2, 2010
 - HSNA Grant Application Signed by Lynn Fox 9/23/2009
 - Article V of HSNA Bylaws, amended February 2005, and
 - Any other codes, regulations or laws that might apply
- The HSNA hereby respectfully requests the assistance of the West Linn City Manager to facilitate the transfer of said items to the newly elected Board, for the Hidden Springs Neighborhood Association.”

It was so moved by Tom Miller and seconded.

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DISCUSSION:

It was noted that there was little or no evidence of the use of general supplies for NA meetings that would justify the expenditure presented. It was questioned why there was a need for the Public Storage space and what might be in it.

Vote on the motion was called: The motion passed unanimously.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Scott Howard reported that he fulfilled the memberships' request to revoke and receive copies of PIR (public information requests) requested by Lynn Fox as HSNA President. He reported:

1. 95% of requests which were made by Lynn Fox or HSNA had nothing to do with HSNA.
2. Of the 95% of those again 95% had to do with HSNA members or their businesses.
3. Estimated cost if charges had been assessed between \$7,000-\$8,000 conservatively.
4. Actual staff expense on requests which were fulfilled yet not charged for unknown.

Most of the requests were made and signed for by Lynn Fox with no affiliation to President of the HSNA. Once again City staff estimated the costs for fulfillment and no action was taken by requester or city.

He reiterated that, with the new board, it is the membership that is in charge of this NA. "We all are now tasked with the building of, success of and future of this NA. With that we need to come together as a group and work to grow this NA.

He encouraged the use of the new HSNA website Alex set up.

He offered to the membership a banner statement to include in the header on the homepage that speaks to what the HSNA is all about:

"Partnering with you as you work with your community"

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Alex Kachirisky reported that the Rosemont Ridge meeting location will be available through our June meeting and that a decision will need to be made about July and August meetings.

He encouraged the membership to "opt in" on the meeting sign-in sheets to be included on the City emergency contact list.

He introduced the new HSNA website: www.hiddenspringsna.org, described the navigation, and encouraged member input as to what should be included.

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He shared that “Take Care of West Linn Day” is May 15. He encouraged members to include ideas about what we would like to do during the brainstorming session.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Brainstorming what you, as the membership want for and from the HSNA
- What is The Neighborhood Plan? Why is it important? Define Next Steps
- Updating our By-Laws – Form a By-Laws Committee
- Opportunities to participate

BRAINSTORMING: “What you, as the membership want for and from the HSNA” using a sticky-note process with prioritization. (Results are attached.)

“What is The Neighborhood Plan? Why is it important?” Alex presented the relationship of the neighborhood plan to the comprehensive plan and the importance of Hidden Springs having a neighborhood plan, and shared that we have had one in draft form since 2006. He described a brief history the HSNA experience thus far.

It was moved and seconded that the HSNA continue work on the neighborhood plan. The motion passed unanimously.

UPDATING HSNA BY-LAWS: A committee was formed to update the HSNA and make them consistent with the West Linn City Code and other requirements. Committee members: Scott Howard; Jim Brown; Steve Freiling; Janet Freiling; Jay Osborne; David Van de Water.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Oakes, member of the West Linn Public Safety Committee, invited the membership to the open house of the new fire house on April 3, 10:00-1:00.

John Kovash, West Linn City Council President, covered several items, including important bond issues: for a new police station to replace the one that was built in 1936; a vote to permit the sale of an acre+ of Sunset Park so that the school district has the room to build a new elementary school at the Sunset School site; and annexation of Parker Road that is currently a lacrosse field for the new police station.

He addressed the relationship between the comprehensive plan and the neighborhood plan and how important it is for the HSNA to communicate the neighborhood’s vision in the HSNA Neighborhood Plan.

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IDENTIFY ACTION ITEMS:

Approach the City to get more information about the neighborhood plan - Alex

- Submit resolution to request the assistance of the West Linn City Manager to facilitate the transfer of HSNA records and property to the new Board, for the Hidden Springs Neighborhood Association – Alex
- Bylaws committee will meet

SET THE AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING:

The Agenda for the April meeting was developed. (See attached.)

LOCATION OF APRIL 20TH MEETING: Rosemont Ridge Middle School, The Commons/Cafeteria. The room is reserved.

Susan Van de Water, Secretary/Treasurer



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