

Savanna Oaks Neighborhood Association Meeting

November 5, 2013

7:00 PM

Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7 pm by SONA President, Ed Schwarz.

In attendance were ten members of SONA and four guests.

Meeting minutes from the October 1st meeting were reviewed and approved with a unanimous vote.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Ed Schwarz reported on the SONA bank balance. The account currently stands at \$1,986.65. There were no expenditures reported in the past month.

New Business:

1. Cathy McQueenie gave a presentation on the function of the Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District. She outlined how the district was staffed, the program priorities and how these are managed.
2. At the request of the developer, a discussion was held regarding the proposed development on the Tannler West property. The developer will present the application at the December SONA meeting. The developer has made known that their goal is to change the current zoning of the 11.3 acre property from Office/Building/Commercial (OBC) to a mix of 1.2 acres of OBC, 6.5 acres of medium to high density housing and 3.5 acres of open space.
As no plan has as yet been submitted, the SONA members were unable to support a change in zoning. A response was proposed and passed unanimously. SONA is in favor of retaining the current OBC zoning for this property and sees no benefit in changing the designation at this time. This decision will be forwarded to representatives of the developer.
SONA members unable to attend the presentation at the December meeting were encouraged to attend the Willamette NA meeting on Wednesday, November 13th where this item will be discussed.
3. NLWL is working towards providing 100 turkeys to the West Linn Food Bank for the Thanksgiving Holiday. It was hoped that 75 of these would be donated by local businesses, but at this time just 35 have been promised. Albertson's will be approached again for a donation. The remainder of the turkeys will be provided by community members. These can either be delivered to the West Linn Food bank between 3:30 pm and 6pm on Thursday 21st November, or Roberta Schwartz will collect them for delivery.

Old Business:

1. Fundraising pledges for the White Oak Savanna currently stands at \$320,000, but this still leaves \$680,000 to be raised. Fundraising activities are helpful, but donations will be needed to ensure that the final goal is met.
2. At the October Planning Commission meeting, variances were approved for the proposed development at the 23150 Bland Circle 11 lot subdivision (SUB-13-02). The variances were in regard to the depth vs. length requirements.
3. The Planning Commission has reopened the "Cut the Red Tape" proposal and will discuss this at their next meeting on 20th November. Written comments can be submitted until 13th November. A work session was held on 30th October, where various topics were discussed. NA speakers at this session questioned the appropriateness of reopening the discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm.