

Sunset Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

January 22, 2013

Location: West Linn City Hall, Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Troy Bowers, President of the Sunset Neighborhood Association (SNA), called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

PRESENT

6 members and 4 guests present.

The meeting attendance sign-in sheet is in our files and is available upon request.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Minutes of the previous meeting September 25, 2012 were available and approved as posted on web site.

TREASURER'S REPORT

City of West Linn – NA Stipend Account 2012-13

Opening balance		\$1,839.16
09/20/12	'12 – '13 Fiscal Year Budget	889.16
01/22/13	Balance	<u>\$ 2,728.32</u>

SNA – Discretionary Funds

Opening balance		
07/01/12	carry over from '11-'12	\$ 382.06
01/22/13	Balance since last meeting	<u>\$ 382.06</u>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUEST PRESENTATIONS

- 1. West Linn Police Officer Neal Hennelly:** Regarding crime, everything is quiet in our neighborhood. Officer Hennelly gave us an update on the new police station, which will be located off 8th Street (between Les Schwab and the new Willamette Fire Hall). The move-in date will be mid 2014. Please be aware when driving in winter conditions to always take caution – don't drive if you don't have to. He further talked about police presence during an emergency (the Clackamas Mall shooting), and being able to respond very quickly. In the same token West Linn would have reciprocal coverage in an emergency situation. www.westlinnoregon.gov/citypolice .
- 2. Roger Shepard, Co-chair of the Centennial Celebration of West Linn:** Mr. Shepard spoke about the history of our 'Sunset Neighborhood' which was developed by the Donation Land Claim Act. This act initially granted a family 640 acres and an individual 340 acres to entice people to move here. After 1850 these amounts were

cut in half. The donation land claims eventually became plats, which were then developed into neighborhoods. The first school in the West Linn School District was built in 1890, and was called West Oregon City School. Regarding the centennial celebration there will be two events each month: 1st Saturday of the month is the centennial walk around the neighborhood, and the 2nd Sunday at West Linn Adult Community Center @3pm for a history lecture. Big weekend birthday party will begin on August 13th. For more info see: www.wl100.org

3. **Tiffany Belser with the American Lung Association in Oregon:** Ms Belser spoke to us about the dangers of radon and the need for residents to have their homes tested. Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that you can't smell, taste, or see. It is produced by a natural breakdown of uranium in soil, rock, and water. Over time, exposure to elevated levels of radon increases a person's risk of developing lung cancer. A radon kit can be purchased at www.radonkit.org. Watch an educational video presented by OPB about Radon in Oregon at www.opb.org/programs/ofg/segments/view/1808
4. **Michael Piper, Clackamas County/Energy Trust of Oregon:** His job is to make homeowners aware of the energy efficiency of their homes. There are incentives/rebates that the homeowner can apply for through the Energy Trust of Oregon. Mr. Piper gave us tips how to save money via weatherization, heating and cooling (heat pumps, gas heaters, gas fireplaces, gas furnace, solar panels, hot water tanks, appliances, etc). For more info contact: www.energytrust.org/residential or 1-866-368-7878 or www.clackamas.us/sustainability or 503-557-6363. If the audit reveals that your house needs work, you can contact the clean Energy Works Oregon @ www.cewo.org

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Summit/Oxford Intersection:** Doug Vokes, Troy Bowers, and Randall Jahnsen met with the Traffic Safety Committee on December 27, 2012 to discuss the proposed pathway along the east side of Summit Street north of the intersection with Oxford St. As a result of the meeting the city has expressed interest in installing sidewalks possibly along the west side of Summit. They also indicated that they will work with the police department to measure traffic volumes and traffic speeds on this particular section of Summit. It was noted that a meeting will be held on January 23rd at Sunset Primary School to discuss the Safe Route to School for walkers and bikers. The City of West Linn will be conducting this meeting as well as future meetings.
2. **Sunset Neighborhood Plan Implementation:**
 - **Increasing Involvement by our neighbors:** As previously reported the picnic took place on June 24th.
 - **Sunset School:** The city has vacated the right-of-way which will allow the school to access Sunset Park property. *No update.*
 - **Preserving our natural resources – survey of trees and vistas:** Rob Cozzi and Troy Bowers met with the city. *No update.*

- **Preservation of historic resources:** Shawn Hughes and Roman Himmer have volunteered to head this up. *No update.*
- **Assessing safety needs – survey of sidewalks, pathways, and trails:** Refer to old business item #1.
- **Enhancing the SN identity – intersection signs:** Troy Bowers and Tony Breault are working on this. *No update.*

3. 2009/2010 Goals Update:

- Rezoning of properties at Sunset and Cornwall from general commercial to neighborhood commercial. *No update.*
- Work with City and Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) to determine how to best manage overall Sunset/Cornwall/Lancaster/Parker alignment. *No update.*

NEW BUSINESS

1. **New Meeting Location:** Due to vandalism (not during SNA meetings) at the council chambers, we have been asked to meet elsewhere. Our options are the Sunset Fire Hall and the West Linn Adult Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the SNA, the President adjourned the meeting at 8:49pm.

**** Next meeting – Tuesday, April 23rd, 2013 @ 7:00pm ****

NEW LOCATION - TBA

Respectfully submitted by Doreen Vokes, Secretary of the SNA.

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