Hidden Springs Neighborhood Association West Linn, Oregon

Minutes, March 16, 2004

The meeting was called to order by Al Belias, President at 7:03pm. In attendance were 16 members of the community.

The minutes were approved with one minor change. The approved minutes are on the web site "http://www.hidden-springs.org".

Discussion was held about a spring cleanup day with large dumpsters at a yet unnamed location in the Hidden Springs area. A motion was passed to hold the cleanup day on May 15th. A list was passed around to sign up to help staff the area. The city will provide the dumpsters for free and we provide the staffing.

Discussion was held about legal requirements to clean up debris around houses and yards. There are city statues about junk cars and appliances, and Homeowners Associations may have CC&Rs on yard appearance.

Discussion on the inequity between Neighborhood Associations representing different numbers of houses yet still receiving the same \$1500. It places NAs like Hidden Springs with mailing costs 3-5 times higher than smaller NAs such as Skyline Ridge. A motion was passed to approach the city with the proposal to adjust the amount of funds available based on the number of homes represented.

Discussion on having monthly meetings and how to advertise them. Questions were raised on what to say on the signs and where to place them. It was pointed out that there are four intersections which most people have to pass to enter the Hidden Springs area (Rosemont & Carriage Way, Rosemont & Santa Anita, Hidden Springs & Rawhide Drive, Pimlico & Palomino). It would be desirable to have the signs in ready before the May Spring Cleanup event. The city will provide notices for the Tidings newspaper, cable channels 23 & 30, and the city Update newsletter, and postcards (out of our budget) if we wish.

Wildfire mitigation was discussed. Vice President Lynn Lytle read part of a letter from TVF&R about state regulations on roofing materials in areas designated by the state and the fact that TVF&R has does not have any state regulated areas within their jurisdiction. A request will be made to TVF&R to have a representative attend a future meeting to discuss problems with roofing materials, overhanging trees, and legal requirements.

A motion was made and passed to have a letter written to the city about concerns with underbrush in the HSNA public areas, particularly in the Bridal Trail area. President Al Belias said that he would do so.

Vice President Lynn Lytle was on the agenda for the West Linn Traffic Safety committee talking about concerns with traffic speeds on Santa Anita. Suncrest was also brought up as an area of concern with speeding cars, particularly just after school is dismissed. Officer Kempas will suggest increased patrols to watch the area after school hours. Officer Kempas also suggested talking to the West Linn engineering department about checking out a radar gun to do a traffic study. We would have to provide the manpower to do the study.

The comment was made that the May ballot will have an advisory measure for the aquatic center. In 1988 a feasibility study and property purchase was funded by a ballot measure, but not for the aquatic center itself. This ballot will be about going ahead with plans to build the center or drop it from the Park Dept master plan.

The next meeting will be April 20th at 7pm at the Senior Center if it is available. Agenda items to include discussion about West Linn expanding in to area 37, and possibly a school board member discussing selling land. A motion was made and carried to have a mailing announcement in April to announce the Spring cleanup and May and June meetings on the third Tuesdays.

Agenda item for next month is forming a committee to approach the school board with concerns.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57pm.

Submitted by Larry Godsey, Secretary.