

**Sunset Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes**  
Sunset Primary, 2351 Oxford Street, West Linn, OR 97068  
Tuesday, January 24, 2017

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Patrick Noe, President of the Sunset Neighborhood Association (SNA), called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

**PRESENT**

25 members

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

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Minutes of the previous meeting September 27, 2016 were available and approved as posted on the City website.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/HANDOUTS**

1. West Linn Refuse and Recycling PCD notice

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Election of new Officers** – A motion was made and seconded to unanimously elect the new officers for 2017. Names listed at the end of the minutes. Motion passed.
2. **Disaster Preparedness** – Discussion centered on hosting a community meeting at the Sunset Fire Hall to spread the word and organize the various teams. Map Your Neighborhood system was created by the Oregon Office of Emergency Management to aid citizens in the event of a disaster.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Cornwall Street Neighborhood** – Mr. Bruce Goldson, a design engineer working with ICON Properties presented their proposal for a new 6 lot subdivision at the end of Cornwall Street. This is a public presentation to inform the residents of Sunset Neighborhood of their current plans and gather data and concerns before moving forward with their application with the City. Mr. Goldson mapped out the proposed sanitary lines, open space, and storm water regional facility. City is requiring that Landis and Cornwall streets be connected. Streets will be widened to a minimum of 20 ft, but no sidewalks are currently in the plan. The water line will be connected to the Sunset loop system. Storm water will be collected at the regional facility (located in the open space at the bottom of Cornwall) which is routed to the culvert under Fairhaven Drive down to Tanner Creek. No drainage study has been performed at this time. ICON plans to investigate quantity and character of the flow before submitting proposal. Lots to be regraded during construction. ICON to possibly hire a geotechnical specialist.

Several concerns were raised by residents of Barrington Heights (in attendance) as well as residents from Landis and Cornwall Streets.

- Safety and traffic concerns with connecting Landis and Cornwall with children in the roads and blind turns
- Flooding at bottom of Barrington Heights
- Underground springs beneath lower properties adding to the runoff flow
- Flooding has already presented without additional runoff being routed to that area. Fairhaven Court has already had significant flooding.
- Tanner Creek gated community is at the lowest spot and will have more runoff.
- If additional water from under the houses is diverted, the question becomes if the houses will settle even more than normal.

- Removal of trees add to flooding concerns as they absorb water.

A **motion** was made and seconded to ask the City to present their plans concerning proposed sub-regional water facility and address the runoff and sewer/water issues. We would like an explanation of their plans with additional research backing their decisions. Examining the water issues inherent with the Cornwall development. It was majority passed into effect.

A **motion** was made and seconded to investigate the possibility of not connecting the Landis and Cornwall roads and adding a cul de sac instead. Residents discussed forming a committee to talk to city engineers to investigate this option and will discuss further. It was majority passed into effect.

Residents to talk to the City regarding plans for Cornwall Street improvements. SNA encouraged residents to reach out to the City Planning Committee to voice their concerns.

2. **Land Use Board Association (LUBA) Decisions** – Mr. David Dodds presented on the Save Our Sunset (SOS) appeal results presented to LUBA about the storm water plans in the reconstruction of the Sunset Primary School and subsequent parking and park grounds. SOS appealed the school board decisions in regards to storm water retention plan. Argument – city council ruled against original storm water plan on condition of a new plan and pond design to be worked out between the district and city engineer, it would not have public process. LUBA agreed that the School District was in violation of skipping the public process. The new plan with all the justifications needs to be presented in a public forum. The city now has to require the school district to come up with plan to code and present to public. Since that decision the school district has not ceased construction. The new application is not complete, and the public does not know if the plan is a good design or not. Residents are concerned that the hearing will have little announcement to public. If the City does not present publicly they would be in contempt of LUBA and could be fined. Attorney Peggy Hennessy is talking to City attorneys right now. Application to be submitted soon, city engineering will vet it and then a hearing will be scheduled in front of planning commission or city council.

Several concerns were raised by residents:

- Concern for school and park construction delays
- Drainage issues
- Placement of the building causing issues with park trees
- Changing design has unexpected impacts

A **motion** was made and seconded to have another SNA Meeting before April, after the new application is submitted, to review and prepare comments on the new plans for the public hearing. This meeting preferably to be schedule at least 2 weeks before hearing. It was majority passed into effect.

3. **Save Our Sunset Request** – Ms. Carrie Hansen spoke to the cost for Save Our Sunset (SOS) to hire the hydrologist who made the case before City Council that there were inadequate tests made on site of the new school and the neighborhood may be susceptible to flooding and landslide issues. There are still costs left over from the hydrologist who was integral on getting the LUBA decision approved. Carrie passed out a flier with SOS contact information if residents would like to contribute to the funds. Additional information can be found at the link below.

- i. <http://www.save-our-sunset.org/>

4. **Map Your Neighborhood** – Disaster Preparedness – Mr. Fred Groves and Mr. Doug Vokes

presented. Doug passed around a picture about a gas line shut off valve that he purchased (\$500), through the Pacific Power and Light. Fire insurance will not cover a gas started fire if the cause is an earthquake. Earthquake insurance (deductible is higher) is necessary in that event. Fred ran through the process of the Map Your Neighborhood program. He is also working on streamlining and switching this to an online application.

A **motion** was made and seconded to keep general disaster preparedness on the agenda in perpetuity so we can foster encouragement and spread the word and engage the neighborhood. It was majority passed into effect. A request was made to discuss/address this topic at the beginning of future NA meetings as opposed to the end, as we tend to run out of time to discuss.

- i. [Map your neighborhood](http://westlinnoregon.gov/MapYourNeighborhood)  
(<http://westlinnoregon.gov/MapYourNeighborhood>)
- ii. [MYN Youtube educational videos](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLA218D92E24E04C53)  
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## ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the SNA, the President adjourned the meeting at 8:55 PM.

**\*\* Next quarterly meeting Tuesday, April 25, 2017 @ 7:00 PM\*\***

- [www.Nextdoor.com](http://www.Nextdoor.com) – resource to get to know your neighbors and communicate
- Facebook page – [www.facebook.com/sunsetneighborhoodwestlinn](http://www.facebook.com/sunsetneighborhoodwestlinn)
- <https://westlinnoregon.gov/sunset>

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