

Sunset Neighborhood Association

Spring Quarterly Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2006
West Linn City Hall Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER...

Doug Vokes, President of the Sunset Neighborhood Association (SNA), called the meeting to order with fellow officers, Mark Hanson (Vice-President) and David Banash (Secretary/Treasurer) in attendance, along with 23 citizens and members of the fire and police departments.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES

Minutes from the December 6, 2005 meeting were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

City of West Linn - Primary Account Q1 2006 (January-March)

Opening balance		\$ 1,189.69
01/01/2006	<i>Refreshments for Officer Meeting</i>	10.00
03/06/2006	<i>Postcard notice of April 4, 2006 Quarterly Meeting</i>	288.13
Closing balance		<u>891.56</u>

SNA - Petty Cash Account Q1 2006 (January-March)

Opening balance		278.76
Closing balance		<u>278.76</u>

Total Cash Accounts		<u>\$ 1,170.32</u>
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There are no outstanding debts at this time.

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PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATES

West Linn Police Dept. Officer Ed Friend confirmed that Peeping Tom, Child Abduction and Dangerous Pedestrian issues were under control and nothing to cause alarm, but cautioned that citizens are still advised to be cautious, lock doors, etc. There was an extended discussion about traffic issues including; installing traffic speed devices, a needed stop sign at Sussex/Lancaster and speed bumps/humps/bump outs. More information to follow, as we are actively liaisoning with the City's **Traffic Safety Committee**. Feel free to contact them with your concerns and recommendations, or for further information.

Officer Senger introduced the **McGruff House** and **Citizen's Police Academy**. The first features a safety option for children, whereby a house can provide shelter to them if needed through the display of a McGruff sign. The Citizen's Police Academy is designed to allow the average citizen to experience the day to day operations of the police department and gain an appreciation for it. Both concepts require the participants to go through a police background check but are simple enough otherwise to become involved in. More information available at the Police Department.

Cassandra Ulven of the **Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue** was on hand to provide data and charts on the incident count both within the City and on the I-205 by commuter traffic. This data can be obtained by contacting her at TVF&R. There was also a discussion of newer cardio-monitoring equipment and the ISO rating; which is what determines a homeowner's insurance premium. Since many of us pay this, it was interesting to discover that what we are actually rated as a City and what our carrier is billing us for, can indeed differ. Check your policy with your agent if you are unsure.

PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATES

We were presented with some renderings on both the **Pocket Park** (near Summit and Rosemont) and **Wilderness Park** as well as some background on where we are at on those issues by Ken Worcester, Director of Parks and Recreation. The main issue for the Pocket Park seems to be how to, if at all, provide restroom facilities since the budget for the park has been allocated. Their construction cost seems excessive as does their maintenance, however many in attendance were not sure of what exactly they wanted and no motions were made.

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Wilderness Park was discussed as the ongoing issue of what will appear on the May ballot regarding the infamous water line excavation. Patty McCoy of the **Friends of Wilderness Park** was in attendance and answered questions. She is an excellent source of information and action on this subject and can be contacted at 503-655-3445.

MISC. UPDATES

There was a mention of a Bolton Neighborhood fair...A letter was sent to the Planning Director regarding the creation of a Sunset Neighborhood Plan...A motion passed unanimously to approve a donation of \$ 350.00 to support shuttle service for the upcoming Lockfest at the historic Willamette Falls (which sits in the SNA folks!). the festival is in May at the Locks and offers citizens a chance to see what's been going on down there for the last 150 some-odd years. Jody Carson was in attendance and can answer all questions at 503-650-9570...A blood drive on April 10th was mentioned...A reminder that the 50th West Linn Fair is July 21-23...A summer SNA barbeque was discussed with music, food and maybe clowns. Let the officers know what you want to do and we'll help make it happen...Last but not least, to make it easier to get to know each other, we discussed the idea of having people from each of the different "blocks" of Sunset represent their areas of the neighborhood. In other words, the people you see most often; next door, down the street. This would give you a more powerful voice and identity in neighborhood/city matters and would also keep membership and involvement high without hardly any effort. Let your officers know what you think.

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Secretary/Treasurer	David Banash	503-577-5486	

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the SNA, President Vokes adjourned the meeting.

Minutes submitted by David Banash, Secretary/Treasurer of the SNA.