Southwest Hills Neighborhood Association (SHiNA) Board Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2017, 6-8pm, Wayne Morse Family Farm at 595 Crest Drive (Approved 8/10/17)

Board Members Present:

Vic Hariton, Chair
Ralph McDonald, Vice Chair/Treasurer
Janet Bevirt, Secretary
Felipe Alonso III, At-Large
Ron Bevirt, At-Large
Dana Furgerson, At-Large
Ann Miller, At-Large
Francina Verrijt, At-Large

SHiNA Liaison Absent: Nora Hagerty

Public Comments: None

Motion: To approve the 4/13/17 Board Minutes.

Endorsed by Ralph, <u>Seconded</u> by Dana. <u>Approved</u>: 8 approval votes, 0 abstain.

Motion: To approve 5/11/17 Special Event Minutes.

Endorsed by Ralph, Seconded by Dana. Approved: 7 approval votes, 1 abstain.

Motion: For the secretary to take minutes with details, in the best way seen fit.

Endorsed by Ralph, Seconded by Ron. Approved: 8 approval votes, 0 abstain.

Discussed: SHiNA Table at the Wayne Morse Historical Park Event on 5/21/17

Vic, Janet, Dana & Ann greeted 17 SHiNA neighbors and worked on SHiNA Brochure.

Discussed: Treasurer's Report

- 1. City Neighborhood Funds: Janet
 - a. 5/11/17 Special Event Food Reimbursement, \$41.56 Owed Janet
 - b. Newsletter/Brochures: QSL Print Communications, <u>\$1,950.97</u> (Mailed Color Newsletter to 3,659 Households & Received 200 Color Brochures)
 - c. Yard Signs: Graphics Shop, \$450.00 Owed Janet (18 Double-Sided 18" x 24" Yard Signs)
 - d. Website Design, Development & Maintenance: 1 Bit Squared, \$1,240.00 (WordPress Setup, Domain Migration to New Host, Website Redesign, Content Migration from Google Pages to WordPress & Website Maintenance Training)
 - e. SHiNA's City Neighborhood Funds Balance: \$8.47
- 2. SHiNA Funds: Vic
 - a. Oregon Community Credit Union (OCCU) Wow Checking Account: \$699.00

(Vic opened this account with Bill Pay, no Interest & no Minimum Balance because SHiNA has no address and no EIN number which requires annual fees.)

b. <u>SHiNA Funds will be billed \$99/yr</u>, WordPress "Premium" Hosting Plan costs \$8.25/mo. (Web Hosting Fees are not covered by the City's Neighborhood Funds.)

<u>Motion</u>: To approve SHiNA expenditures for food reimbursement, newsletter/brochures, signs, website & web hosting fees.

Endorsed by Ralph, Seconded by Ann.

Approved: 8 approval votes, 0 abstain.

Discussed: SHiNA Picnic (Sunday, August 13th, 2-6pm, Wayne Morse Family Farm)

- a. Establish Picnic Committee: Janet, Dana, Vic & Ann
- b. Picnic Planning Committee Meetings: Reservation, Insurance?, Entertainment, Raffle/Fundraiser, Advertising, Supplies, Funding, Setup & Takedown, etc.
- c. Nora's Rental Venue rules to observe at Wayne Morse Family Farm
- d. Solicit SHiNA Board Nominees at the Picnic
- e. Vote on Bylaw Changes at the Picnic

Discussed: Charter with Bylaws Changes

Charter/Bylaws Committee: Felipe, Francina, Vic & Janet

(For Bylaw changes, a 2/3 vote is needed at a general meeting with at least 10 votes, not including the SHiNA board members.)

The following was offered for discussion by Janet:

Bylaws: Nomination and Removal of Executive Board Members.

<u>Section 1.</u> The officers shall be elected by a <u>simple majority</u> of <u>those</u> <u>Southwest Hills Neighborhood</u> <u>Association members</u>, <u>18 years of age or older</u>, <u>that are</u> in attendance at the Annual Meeting in <u>November</u> and shall serve a one-year term, provided a quorum is met.

Section 2. Upon election, the Chair shall be entitled to appoint additional board members, liaisons, and committee chairs subject to approval at the next general meeting. If there is will be no general meeting in the month following the nomination, notification may be given to the General Membership via mention/inclusion in a newsletter or postcard and by a posting on the SHiNA website. If there is no objection for a month after the mailing, posting, the nomination will be considered approved. Those appointed serve until they resign, their term is completed, or they are replaced by a vote of the general membership.

(Note: After November, the next general meeting is in January.)

<u>Section 3.</u> Nominations shall be for a specific office. To lessen the influence of single-attendance groups, <u>nominations shall be accepted only at the general meeting prior to the Annual Meeting in November.</u>

(Note: October? The Meeting & Newsletter Dates need to be looked at again.)

<u>Section 4.</u> The ballot shall be posted on the Southwest Hills Neighborhood Association <u>website and</u> <u>also sent via e-mail to those on the current e-mail list by the appointed Communications</u> <u>Liaison</u> <u>within two weeks following the October general meeting.</u>

(Note: Correct Oct or picnic in August calendar to be a general meeting for nominees to set the list of board nominees.)

Community Announcements or Updates:

- a. Neighborhood Leaders Council (NLC) Meeting, Rep. Vic.
 - 6/27, 7-9pm in the Atrium/Sloat Room
 - (NLC meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month except August & December.)
- b. July 15th Newsletter Deadline: Picnic Info, Solicit Board Nominees, Vote on Bylaw Changes
- c. SurveyMonkey analysis showed 44 responses:
 - 1. Rent or own in SHiNA: Own 93.18%, Rent 6.82%
 - 2. Best days to join events: Sunday, then Saturday, then Friday
 - 3. Best times to attend events: Afternoon, Evening
 - 4. Prefer meetings at: Wayne Morse Family Farm, Amazon/Hilyard Community Centers
 - 5. Have children under 18: No 65.91% (5 would like child care services made available)
 - 6. Your age: 30-39 25%, 60-69 22.73%, 40-49 20.45%, 70 or older 18.18%, 50-59 11.36%
 - 7. What activities would you participate in: Food & Wine, Plant Swap, Landscaping & Garden, Music & Dance
 - 8. Suggestions for a better neighborhood association with 13 responses:
 - Clearer goals other than know your neighbors, most of my 8 neighbors are renters.
 - Put off by politics, not everyone is against development and density.
 - Nextdoor is rad.
 - Want to learn about neighborhood watch programs and how they're formed.
 - Weekend activities easiest but hit or miss due to work.
 - Send welcome letter to new residents detailing scope, opportunities, mission & contact info.
 - Encourage and facilitate an open exchange of differing viewpoints.
 - Hard to pick a night to go to meetings since schedule differs every month.
 - Clearly define goals and tasks.
 - Appreciate notifications about property crimes & how people are looking out for each other.
 - Has to be easy to have tiny children present.
 - Keep land use issues off the agenda, no personal political positions that are uninformed, NIMBY or lack support. Those new to the area are not willing to be enlisted to fight battles from the 80's or 90's. SHiNA should support the City, not the amateur planners, by bringing well researched information and solutions. Urban planning is very complex and requires advanced education and experience, it considers the future without self-interest.
 - Interested in having a neighborhood association, but swamped as president of my HOA and with working on winter storm wood clean up. Give moral rather than material support.
- d. City Council Work Session (WS) & Public Hearing (PH) Meetings:
 - 6/12, 5:30pm, Harris Hall, City Council WS, Envision Eugene/UGB
 - 6/21, Noon, Harris Hall, City Council WS, New Housing Developments Where Unimproved Roads Are Main Access
 - 6/26, 7:30pm, Harris Hall, City Council PH, Transportation System Plan
 - 6/27, 5:30 & 6:30pm, Harris Hall, City Council WS & PH, Envision Eugene/UGB

Next Board Meeting: August 10th, 6-8pm, WMFF

Minute Taker: Janet Bevirt, Secretary