SHNA Board of Directors Minutes
October 19, 2010, Himmel Park Library

Present: Rick Bell, Janett Carbajal, Carolyn Classen, Doug Donahue, Sheila Hoban, Kathi McLaughlin, Sylvia Mungaray, John O'Dowd, Gail Schuessler, Frank Soltys, Ed Stokes, John Wilder.

Absent: Wallis Downer, Steve Gilsdorf.

Guests: Sandy Reith, Pima Co. Natural Resources, Parks & Recreation; Sharla Darby, Manager, Himmel Park Public Library; Pam Weber, Parks & Recreation Dept.; Britain Eakin, UA journalism student; Ken Harris, Robert Lindsay, Alex & Madelyn Cook; Burtt & Gladys Richardson; Randy Acetta; David McEvoy; Jamie Benjamin.

Approval of 9/21/10 BOD Minutes: Approved.

Call to Audience:

1. Lindsay addressed the yellow bus shell/bike rack at Himmel Library;

2. Reith PowerPoint presentation re Life with Urban Wildlife. Emphasis is on food, water, shelter and space, ways to discourage wildlife activity, i.e., placing water bowl or bird feeder up off the ground, not using seed blocks which attract other wildlife besides birds, trimming plants from the ground for better visibility, selecting appropriate plants/native alternatives, not approaching wildlife, being aware of environment around you. Removal not a good option. A variety of informational pamphlets displayed. For more info or to report sick or injured wildlife, go to www.azgfd.gov.

3. McEvoy re javelina problem/neighborhood sightings. Motion passed that a Resolution be sent to the Game & Fish Dept. listing the sightings, urgently requesting a review of the situation, and if it is determined to be dangerous, requesting that the javelina be removed from the neighborhood.

Reports of Officers:

President (O'Dowd): 1) Wallis request for leave of absence (O'Dowd to contact her re either leave of absence or resignation).

Reports of Standing Committees:

Elderly Housing (Carbajal): Reported on the Casitas On Broadway dedication, suggested a letter of appreciation to Jim Murphy, Pres. of the Tucson Housing Fdn. for his efforts (O'Dowd to do). Motion passed reimbursing her $110 for dedication expenses incurred on behalf of SHNA.

Bike Shelter at Himmel Library (Weber). After discussion Motion passed that at neighbors' recommendation, the City is requested to remove the shelter, leaving the bike racks (Stokes, Bell, McLaughlin against).

Newsletter (Schuessler): After discussion Motion passed (Bell against) that the last free City mailing until 7/1/11 be used for the October newsletter. Suggestions for circulating the membership renewal postcard and Annual Meeting notice were volunteers from Edge School, UofA, neighborhood churches.

Technology (Wilder): Pay Pal account will be set up for dues payments.

Sam Hughes Cares for Seniors (Classen): Re-organization meeting will be held on 10/28, Ward 6 office at 6:30 p.m. Further details in October newsletter.

Land Use/NPZ (Stokes): Re FLD application at Norris & 1st Street, Stokes and McLaughlin to review the plans and original paperwork and prepare a protest by 10/29/10.

CCRC (O'Dowd): Stadium remodel costing $15 million; lit advertising on back side of new scoreboard at south end of stadium planned.

Schools (Stokes): Husky Rescue fundraiser raised $17,000 for computers at Sam Hughes School, PTA will be requested to match.

Broadway Corridor (O'Dowd): Motion passed approving O'Dowd's Resolution that SHNA join Rincon Heights NA in opposing Broadway Corridor plan as basis for RTA roadway improvement project 17.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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