

Sam Hughes Neighborhood Association: Board of Directors
Minutes: Regular Meeting 7 pm on 03/19/2013 (Himmel Park Library, PCPL)

Board members present: John O'Dowd (Pres.), Mary Durham-Pflibsen (Broadway CTF), Gail Schuessler (News Co-Ed.), Jim Head (Treasurer), John Wilder (Website), Bill Craig (Parkwise), Carolyn Classen (Sec.), Janett Carbajal,

Board members absent: Rick Bell (V.P. & Membership), LuAnn Barr (LUC), Corey Reidy,

Call to Order: J. O'Dowd called the board meeting to order at 7:08 PM.

Approval of Agenda: Approved by unanimous consent.

Minutes of the past meeting: Carolyn moved to approve the Feb 19, 2013 minutes, Mary seconded, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Call to the Audience: (3 minutes each) Sam Garst, Vice President of the Theta Chi Fraternity, spoke on the recent sexual assault incident allegation. They apologized for the behavior and its potential impact on the community. They are planning a mandatory workshop to train fraternity members on conduct. Bill Craig requested that the SHNA neighbors be allowed to drop in to visit from time-to-time to get better acquainted. Sam Garst agreed to have their doors open to the neighborhood. Anthony Sandoval from Theta Chi also attended. Sharla Darby, Himmel library librarian, indicated that a new health program is starting up at the library as well as child's story time. Officer, Jason Dehmer, from UAPD shared that they have seen a small increase in small time thefts but it hasn't continued. He indicated that they don't compile crime statistics for SHNA specifically.

Treasurer Report / Proposed 2013 Budget: Jim Head presented a report on current SHNA accounts. At present Jim does not have signature authority but that is expected to be corrected this Friday. Jim is in the process of reviewing the financial records and will present a complete report in the future. The SHNA Home tour has requested \$750 for advance printing expenses. Jim is anticipating dispersing \$100 to El Rio and \$100 to SCA as directed at the previous board meeting. Jim noted that no contributions have been made to the Water Tower impound fund in the last 2 years. Jim moved to make a contribution from the general fund to the impound fund in the amount of funds paid to Bob Vint in 2012. Bill Craig seconded the motion and it was approved by the board. The Treasurer report was approved by the board. Board members asked about SHNA's insurance.

STATUS REPORTS / STUDY/ ACTION ITEMS:

Broadway Corridor – John O. spoke to request funds to support the Tucson Historic Preservation Foundation preparation of a historic application. Demion Clinco and Andie Zelnio were present from the THPF. John O. pointed out that the businesses adjoining SHNA are presently not on the National Historic Register. It appears that it is not too late to add the businesses on the Historic Register. Demion told the attendees that Section 106 of the 1966 National Historic Preservation Act could come into play if the businesses were on the National Historic Register and federal funds were needed to complete the roadway work. If that happened the preservation Act would trigger an adverse effect review. The Funds would be used by the Tucson Historic Preservation Foundation to defray the costs of preparing the historic application. Other neighborhood associations are making pledges to support this effort. Demion believes that the process could take as little as 18 months. Broadway has been placed on Arizona state endangered property list and is one of 2 Arizona properties added last year. Demion is requesting that SHNA contribute \$5,000 toward the historic registration of the Sunshine Mile. Bill Craig moved to designate funds for the application, Jim Head seconded and board unanimously approved delaying this agenda item to the

end of the meeting. Jim indicated that there should be enough funds in the SHNA budget to support this request. Bill C. suggested that a portion of the 2013 income be held out from the water tower impound fund in 2013. John O. moved that board of SHNA pledge \$5,000 to Tucson Historic Preservation Foundation, a non-profit foundation, for the preparation of an application for the addition of the Broadway Corridor to the National Register of Historic Places. The Motion was seconded by Mary D-P and unanimously approved by the board.

Mary D-P. reported that the CTF is meeting this coming Thursday at the Children and Family Resource Center. The meeting starts at 5:30 PM. The public meeting had ~150 attendees with the public communicating that they wanted the roadway impact minimized. Many of the CTF members clearly support retaining the neighborhood as it is. Steve Eddy has resigned from the CTF due to moving out of the area and Steve K. has nominated a replacement. Mary believes that the CTF will soon take a position concerning widening of Broadway.

2013 SHNA Home Tour – Susan Peters requested \$750 for printing expenses. Carolyn moved, Janet C. seconded, unanimously approved by the board.

Land Use – Gail Schuessler had some information to share with the board concerning a recent neighborhood meeting with Jim Mazzocco concerning Infill Incentive District (IID). Bill C. reported on a meeting on Monday concerning junk autos, yard sales and large vehicles at neighborhood homes. Tucson is looking at ways to provide protection to neighborhoods concerning these abuses. Demion indicated that the city council is considering creating a subcommittee to review these concerns. Bill C. suggested that the board review the materials and revisit this topic at the next meeting.

Newsletter Number of issues / Topics– John O. asked if the Spring SHNA newsletter had come out. No one had received it yet.

Spring Fling Strategy to oppose location change – In 2014 ASUA plans to move Spring Fling back on Campus. It was suggested that SHNA send a letter to the Board of Regents opposing moving Spring Fling to campus. John O. and Bill C. will compose a letter in the next two weeks.

Water Tower Plan for Restoration / Construction by City – John O. reported that Bob Vint has been paid \$6,000 to develop a plan for restoration of the water tower. The plan has evolved into 2 phases. Phase 1 considers the use of money remaining in the city Historic Preservation fund left over from a planned Maris College effort to restore what remains of the water tower. Jim Mayberry has indicated that the funds can be spent on existing property improvements. This phase is estimated to cost about \$90,000. Part of Phase 1 which SHNA would need to fund will include a foundation to mount the tower on at a cost of ~\$33,000. The city portion would involve replacing doors, windows and the roof at a cost of \$60,000. Phase 2 is estimated to cost an additional \$70,000 to erect the tower on the Phase 1 foundation. Carolyn C. and Janet C. recalled that the Water Tower restoration has been in work for 20 years or more. The sense of the board was for John O. to continue engagement in the water tower effort.

CCRC UA Facilities Expansions – Bill C. offered to accompany John O. at next meeting. There are a number of U of A construction projects planned.

MCRC (Military Community Relations Committee) DM and ANG Overflights – Kim Crooks has been attending the meetings. John O. indicated that Kim C. is willing to attend the meetings in the future.

TENTATIVE APRIL AGENDA ITEMS – Consider IID impacts (Gail will arrange to have Jim M attend next months meeting).

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 PM.