

Sam Hughes Neighborhood Association (SHNA, Inc)
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
May 17, 2016
Sam Hughes Elementary School Library

Attending: Rick Bell, Bill Craig, Erika Gallo, Dustin Fitzpatrick, Jim Head, Len Nicholson, Gail Schuessler, Carolyn Classen, Nancy DeFeo, John Wilder, Mary Pflibsen.

Absent: Lu Ann Barr, John O'Dowd.

Guests / Visitors: Representative from Ward 6, Jenny Graber, Paula Aboud.

Agenda

7:05pm Call to Law Enforcement/Public Guests/Audience

7:05pm Call to Audience:

Paula Aboud, former state senator introduced herself and announced that she is running for the position of Justice of the Peace in District 6. She also shared that the non-profit "Lend a Hand" is looking for Volunteers.

7:09pm Presentation: Water Tower - Bob Vint, the Historical Architect working on the Water Tower, spoke about the HUD grant that partly funded the restoration of the water tower and brought blue prints and photos of the work on site to share. A historical photo was shared (included as attachment). Some details of the blue prints changed to make up a \$8,000 deficit by altering the plans for flooring, having the contractor donate \$3,000 of labor services and he, himself making a \$1,000 credit towards the project. The doors for the water tower were discussed, Mr. Vint suggested that the doors be painted to extend their longevity. Work has to be completed by June 30th for the Federal Grant funds to be fully available.

7:25pm Q&A: Water Tower - Mr. Vint's presentation was followed by a question/answer and discussion period by the board. Items discussed were potential door colors, the age and historical importance of the water tower and the long range plans for the site.

7:40pm Past motions audit agenda item of the Heritage Grant scheduled for discussion at 8:35 pm in the meeting agenda was moved up to this time. Jenny Graber - Parent of Sam Hughes Elementary students and parent volunteer talked about Heritage Grant obtained by the Elementary School. The grant will create pollinator and Bird Habitat by revegetating parts of the courtyard, she shared an aerial image of the location of the habitat (included as an attachment). Grant was \$5000, will include workshops to help teachers use the habitats in their curriculum. One requirement of the grant is that all vegetation used be native. Mary Pfister mentioned that

Banner is looking for projects to invest in and this would be a good fit. Bill Craig suggested using the Aggies.

- 7:50pm **Review April Minutes for Approval** – Erika – Mary made motion to amend the minutes and include a secretary note referring to the discussion at 8:35 pm in the 7:07 pm line, motion unanimously passed.
- 7:52pm **Treasurers report and Budget** – Jim Head brought up 4 main points that also address 2 of the passed motions audit agenda items scheduled to be discussed at 8:35 pm:
- 1) Tucson High check went in the mail, got paid
 - 2) Beautification Project Insurance is paid
 - 3) Park Beautification Committee – brought up guidance on monies left over
 - 4) IRS Check – all squared away.
- A copy of the treasurer’ s report is included as an attachment.
- 7:56pm **Sam Hughes Elementary School Request for Funding / Radios** – Erika Gallo spoke to the main office staff and there is a possibility that SHNA board can purchase the radios and donate them to the school, Erika will follow up next week and if so, will bring purchase request to SNHA board.
- 7:57pm **Park Tucson Neighborhood Reinvestment Program** – Nancy DeFeo will send a copy of the grant again. We still have the 20K monies, need to wait to hear back from C2E to see if they need to adjust monies/project funding. We’ ll find out in June if the project was funded.
- 8:04pm **Broadway Corridor** – Mary Pfister Broadway Collation is continuing to meet, good resource for news are the Ward 6 council member’ s Steve Kozachik newsletters.
- 8:08pm **Garden Tour** – Rick Bell – profit was \$2258.44 from Garden Tour. There was discussion of how to designate these funds. Bill Craig made a motion to create a subaccount in the Water Tower account that directly addresses phase 2 of the Water Tower Restoration and to impound the \$2258.44 raised from the Garden Tour into the subaccount. The motion passed with 6 board members voting in favor 6, 2 opposed 2 and one board member abstaining.
- 8:29pm **Himmel Park Beautification Project (HMBP)** – Big dig on Sat 5/21/2016, please attend and show support
- 8:30pm **Board Member Goals:** Moved to the next meeting.
- 8:30pm **Passed Motions Audit:**

THMS Donation has been sent (agenda item addressed at 7:52 pm)

WPHT (Water Tower Project) - was discussed at 7:25 pm during the WPHT question and answer.

Heritage Grant discussion by Erika Gallo moved to next meeting.

- 8:33pm Notices - Rick Bell: Notices come via e-mail, need quick turnaround, reminders that board members can also voice opinion as individuals.
- 8:37pm SHNA New Resident Membership Pack - Bill Craig brought to the meeting a copy of Blenman Elm's "Welcome to the Neighborhood" pack full of neighborhood information. Mr. Craig suggested we give one of these to each new Sam Hughes resident. The idea is to welcome new folks to the neighborhood and increase participation of residents in neighborhood events and SHNA activities. Further discussion on packet in future agenda.
- 8:49pm Future agenda items:
- Gail: Newspaper Article (Arizona Daily Start, Sunday May 15) on household occupancy.
- Dustin: Update on period of significance.
- 8:52pm Motion to adjourn by Mary Pfisher, Gail seconded, approved unanimously.