

Sam Hughes Neighborhood Association (SHNA, Inc)
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
August 16, 2016
Himmel Park Library

Attending: Carolyn Classen, Nancy Defeo, Dustin Fitzpatrick, Jim Head, Len Nicholson, Mary Pflibsen, Bill Craig

Absent: Lu Ann Barr, Rick Bell, Erika Gallo, John O'Dowd, Gail Schuessler , John Wilder,

Guests / Visitors: Allison Miller (ward 6), Rebecca Theobald, Susan Peters, Denise Blake

Agenda

7:03pm Call to Order/Roll Call/Introductions

7:04pm Call to Law Enforcement/Public Guests/Audience (2min) - Allison Miller reported that the Ward 6 office is working on programs to encourage home ownership. Ward 6 is planning a home ownership fair with the UofA to raise awareness. Allison distributed a flyer for a Home Ownership Expo at UofA Student Union, Sept 13 from 3:30–7:30 pm.

7:10pm Presentation: Himmel Park Beautification Project - Susan thanked the board for help on multiple fronts. Since the installation they have been contacted about more pavers. Checks to SHNA with publicity in November, engraving in December, installed in January. They simply want to collect checks mailed to Denise and John with SHNA noted. No need for further MoU as this continues what has been done. They would like the paver program posted on the SHNA website and included in the SHNA newsletter. Jim moved that the SHNA board approve the Himmel Park Beautification Project Paver / brick fund raiser. Bill Craig seconded. Unanimously approved.

7:18pm Q&A: Himmel Park Beautification Project

Nancy asked about what the net funds were raised for the pavers with a cost of \$1500 for the pavers. Jim responded that 119 pavers were paid for and engraved with approximately 400 total pavers. Susan indicated that the team has another 200 pavers that can be exchanged with pavers already down. COT has requested an ADA compliant bench out in front of the library. Susan indicated that they have the funds to install such a bench.

Carolyn Classen - asked if SHNA had a paver for the Phase I beautification. Susan responded that SHNA is shown prominently on a bench. Carolyn recommended that a SHNA engraved paver be included in the next round of pavers.

The SHNA board resolves that the remaining \$5090.48 from the Himmel Park Beautification project be retained to support future Himmel Park Beautification projects. Bill Craig seconded. Unanimously approved.

7:40pm Pocket Park located at 1st and Country Club - Denise Blake indicated that she helped create the park 15 years ago. She would like to have SHNA board approve using a designated donation to maintain the park for the foreseeable future. Jim moved an appropriation of \$500 for maintenance of the Pocket Park located at NW corner of East 1st and Country Club. Bill seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

7:22pm Presentation: Friends of Himmel Park - Molly McKasson reported that they are in good place with completing their tree project. Gimme Shelter is 50 trees in 2 years for the park. Parks and Recreation have been in conversation about getting Himmel designated as an Historic Park which would emphasize some of the park highlights. They are considering a theme "Return to our Shady Past" . They have just begun fund raising and have a few hundred dollars so far. She has sent a publication pdf to the SHNA for posting on the website. Over the last few years Himmel has lost 5 large trees. They would like to add 25 trees within the park area in the first year followed by more the second year.

They have received donations for shade cloth for the play areas.

Molly mentioned that they are beginning to think about developing a Himmel Park Master Plan. They would enlist input from other nearby neighborhoods and residents.

7:30pm Q&A: Friends of Himmel Park

7:34pm Review June Minutes for Approval - Jim requested that any changes or comments be forwarded to Erika.

7:50pm Treasurer' s Report - Jim See attached report.

Budget - Jim See attached report

Jim presented a time history of projects along with funding flows. Jim also led the board in consideration of attributes we wish to guide our work as an SHNA board.

7:59pm EL RIO THEATRE PROJECT' S - Jim moved that SHNA donate \$100 to El Rio Theater. Carolyn seconded. Unanimously approved.

7:52pm Sam Hughes Elementary School Request for Funding / Radios - Len met with SH school and loaned them 2 radios which they found effective. Len recommends that the SHNA board fund the purchase of 4 radios for ~\$175. Len moved that up to \$200 for 4 Motorola radios be appropriated for SH school. Bill seconded. Unanimously approved.

- 8:03pm Goals - Jim presented his current summary of the SHNA goals.
One of the goals Jim presented was to encourage block parties with TPD uniforms
- 8:16pm Passed Motions Audit (Feb 2014–Jun 2014) - Rick
Passed Motions Audit (Aug 2014–Nov 2014) - Rick
PayPal, Acct - Jim & John W
PayPal, Non-Profit Rate - Jim & John W
Passed Motions Audit (Dec 2014–Mar 2015) - Rick
THMS, Donation - has been paid
WPHT, Ph2 Funds - Covered above
Passed Motions Audit (Apr 2015–Sep 2015) - Rick
Heritage Grant - Erika not present to report
Passed Motions Audit (Oct 2015–Dec 2015) - Rick

Committee/Reports (4 min)

- 8:20pm Park Tucson Neighborhood Reinvestment Program - Nancy reported that SHNA did not receive a C2E award which was intended to provide matching funds for the original Park Tucson Reinvestment Grant. Allison pointed out that COT streets and traffic should / could provide means for a number of repairs. She indicated that it might be possible to combine streets and traffic personnel to “match” the Park Tucson Reinvestment Grant. Allison will try to coordinate a meeting between Donovan at Park Tucson Reinvestment Program, COT streets and traffic and Nancy.
- 8:47pm Land Use Committee: DDOs/Setbacks - Bill Craig asked the SHNA board if the tendency for variances to reduce setbacks should be opposed. There was discussion about the role of the SHNA board in these cases. Jim suggested Bill summarize some of his thoughts to distribute to the board for consideration. Allison Miller pointed out that Blenman Elm board does screen variance / DDOs for particular cases that might be of interest.
- 9:07pm Historic Period of Significance Extension - Dustin reported that Brian Rumsie has completed the survey and will provide the spreadsheet to Dustin to the next SHNA board meeting.
- 9:08pm Broadway Corridor - Mary reported that the Broadway Corridor widening project is moving in a direction different from what the Citizens Task Force intended. Mary cited a number of examples where the intent is not being followed.

8:48pm **Banner** - Mary reported that the next meeting is Wed, Aug 17th. **Banner** seems to be willing to listen to the local neighborhoods. An example was the helicopter flight paths over COT.

8:52pm **Topics for Future Meetings**

- **Mortar Board**

9:00pm **Adjournment** - Bill Craig moved for adjournment, Dustin seconded. Unanimously approved.