

**Sam Hughes Neighborhood Association (SHNA, Inc)**  
**Board Meeting – October 16, 2018**  
**Himmel Park Library**

**Attending:** Carolyn Classen, Bill Craig, Nancy DeFeo, Jim Head, Len Nicholson, Vytas Sakalas, John Wilder, Josephine Wilson  
**Absent:** Michael Austin, Jean Millen  
**Guests/Visitors:** Alison Miller (Council Ward 6), Madelyn Cook, Page Bushholder, Alicia Armet, Michael Cajero

**Call to Order/Roll Call/Call to Audience** - Jim called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. And asked Board members present to introduce themselves. Guests present were invited to direct any issues of note: 1) Alyson Miller announced her resignation representing Councilman Steve Kovacich, Ward 6, and stated that her replacement as representative to SHNAB was in the works. On behalf of the Board, Jim Head thanked Alison for her attendance and support at SHNA Board meetings. 2) Page Bushholder updated gave an update on success of Himmel Park Run and informed all of a November 11<sup>th</sup> launch date. 2) Michael Cajero, neighborhood artists, expressed concerns with commercial construction projects (I.e. Benedictine Sanctuary) and intrusion into residential areas. He recommended site be designated for such things like: art museum, extension of historical society.

**Old Business -**

- 1 SHNA Board Meeting Minutes – Approval for the minutes for June's through September's meetings was reviewed. **Upon motion by Josie Wilson, seconded by Nancy DeFeo, with Bill Craig abstaining, the minutes for June and August were approved as distributed.** The notes of the September meeting will be reformatted and distributed for review for later approval at November's meeting.
- 2 New Board Member – Jim introduced Alicia Armet and confirmed that Board members had received her distributed bio and asked for the question: **Bill Craig made the motion to install Alicia Armet as a member of the SHNA Board, this was seconded by Vytas Sakalas, approved** and Alicia was invited to sit at table.
- 3 Committee Report -Treasurer – Jim advised there was no formal report; one action taken was issuance of \$500 donation in support of the Park Run.
- 4 Committee Report – Land Use – 6<sup>th</sup> Street Grant Status/TRRG Engagement– Nancy and Bill attended most recent meeting and reported it was mostly informational with a review of implementation process, steps and costs for plan submissions (approximated \$500). They advised the need for more project members and Jim asked for Board volunteers to lead group and will send out email request. Vytas shared news regarding additional equipment installations on existing Sprint's cell tower (located North of Edge High School) and asked members to view and bring thoughts to next meeting.
- 5 Committee Report – Communications – Fall Newsletter – Josie advised she is organizing articles thus far: Benedictine Monastery, the multi-family residences, Himmel playground and ramada fund raising efforts, school tax credits, fraternity issues, home tour, and upcoming annual meeting. She expects issue to be about five pages with photos submitted by neighbors. Jim Head suggested including the tenant agreement which he will forward to Josie for inclusion.
- 6 Committee Report – Communications – Yahoo Service – John updated recommendation to shift to Groups IO and move all items off Yahoo allowing greater flexibility and provide better service. Carolyn Classen will work with John to promote changes. John will draft notice and distribute to Board for review and comments before submitting to Yahoo. At a cost \$110/yr for, **motion was made by John Wilder to transition to Groups IO, seconded by Bill Craig and approved.**
- 7 Committee Report – CCRC – Bill reported that public meeting attended on October 9<sup>th</sup> was very interesting. Website: [redtag@tucsonaz.gov](mailto:redtag@tucsonaz.gov) (TPD handout for services attached). Additional sources for UA construction information/updates: [www.cirt.arizona.edu/uaalert](http://www.cirt.arizona.edu/uaalert) and/or [www.az.pdc.edu](http://www.az.pdc.edu) .Bill reviewed plans for Jefferson Park fundraiser scheduled October 20<sup>th</sup>, at school (Seneca/Warren Sts) at 9:00 a.m. Bill also noted need for

additional trash pick-up services; Jim asked Bill for specifics after meeting and he will write a letter to Julie Katsel (UA rep) about this and issues with fraternity on Campbell/6<sup>th</sup> corner blocking neighborhood traffic during home games.

- 8 Himmel Park Ramada Challenge – After touching base with Matt Borkman, heading the project, Jim reported that only \$3,300 has been received to date and asked for donation deadline extension. extending deadline to Thanksgiving, 11/23. Vytas Sakalas moved that donation deadline for Challenge be extended to Thanksgiving, November 23rd, which was seconded Len Nicholson and approved. Jim will send out notice on Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup> through ListServ. Checks are payable to Tucson Park Foundation or mail c/o SHNA and Board will ensure receipts are recorded and delivered to Challenge.
  - 9 Benedictine Sanctuary Monastery – Josie attended recent meeting and worked on some of letters that SHNA and Miramonte NA developed in protest to current developer's plan. She also attended a Planning Commission meeting where many from both neighborhoods voiced concerns. Those present appeared to receive input well and additional meetings were scheduled to discuss situation. Josie several times at Councilman Kovacich's offices with developer and neighborhood reps, but it was clear that developer was not interested in making changes. Several options were discussed and an amendment to developer's plan was developed outlining lower structure profile. The group decided to use available leverage and submitted a joint-statement – Joint Statement of Neighbors for Reasonable Monastery Development and Tucson Monastery, LLC. and are awaiting news. (see attachment).
  - 10 Welcome Packets – Josie has enough material to begin distribution. Will be working with neighbors to arrange distribution.
  - 11 Period of Significance - Jim reviewed changes covering period of time when a house can be modified. Consultant working on project has submitted all information as required.
- New Business -**
- 12 Community Meeting on Crime – In response to incidences reported recently, Jim stated he has been working with Alison and is planning a meeting for November 29<sup>th</sup>, at Ward 6 offices, 5:30 -7:30 p.m., to include panel discussion and breakout groups with focus on specific issues including: private security, neighborhood watch programs.
  - 13 Annual Meeting Preparations – Jim is checking for venue/space and is open to adding items for agenda. He suggested speaking to new things happening in neighborhood. Jim is planning to invite Councilman Steve Kovacich and possibly someone from historical society, and use “blitz” format: wseveral speakers on short topics.
  - 14 Goatheads at Himmel Park – Vytas reviewed work being done and asked for additional help with weeding project. Alicia will check her sources. Suggested plan for next year: The Great Goathead Grab.
  - 15 Announcements – New restaurant coming to Sam Hughes Place.

**Adjournment:** With business concluded, Len Nicholson motioned for adjournment, seconded by Bill Craig and approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Lynda Brindamour, Recorder