



SOUTHERN CROSSING NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

MEETING MINUTES:

2- 7-19

Type of Meeting: General Membership Meeting, Elections, and SOCIAL!

Meeting Facilitator: Valerie Pharr, Chair

Location: Bend Parks and Rec District Office, 799 Columbia Street

CALL TO ORDER: V. PHARR, CHAIR @ approx. 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL:

Board Members Present: V. Pharr, Chair; Aaron Jones, Treasurer; Jim Larson, Land Use; Jake Slodki, Secretary; Suzanne Moore, Co-Sectary; Keith Pharr, Project Coordinator.

Also present: Member-at-Large, Kelth Scott and several SCNA general members.

CHAIR WELCOME, OVERVIEW AND STATE OF THE SCNA

V Pharr gave a welcome, overview and state of the SCNA. SCNA is one of 13 NA's. Mostly NA's work to improve livability in an area. Started in 2009. Defunct until revival in 2016, which was due to a new development. The Southern Crossing NA was then re-established. Many of the current board members came on board at that time. After serving at least 2 years elections are now proposed for a new board to begin in 2019.

Facts: 883 acres, 1830 tax lots (which is up 85 from last year) 400 plus businesses. There have been 60 new members added since SCNA was reestablished.

Meetings are held the third Thursday of the month with guest speakers and the business of the NA. Events have increased involvement in the city.

SEPTIC TO SEWER PRESENTATION

Susanna Julber, Senior Projects & Policy Analyst

Susanna talked about the Septic to Sewer conversion program, adopted by council last December new code accepted in January. 2014 was the last master sewer plan. City looked at the factors involved in sewer investment moving forward. One recommendation is to get unsewered properties on the septic. Since June 2017 \$1 million has been set aside for sewer conversion.

Originally, If you were within 300 ft of a sewer and are still on septic you could not get your septic re-certified if you needed repairs. Advisory committee was set up to figure



out how to transition from septic to sewer. Conversion rates down to \$25000 from original estimates of \$90000 to \$100,000. People in neighborhoods who want to get connected can apply for city funds to support hook up. City pays for pipe and the resident pays part of link. Residents pay for private work on their property.

Low income and retired residents will be able to get assistance, and those who are within 300 feet but if the septic is working correctly will not be required to hook up.

If residents connect within 2 years they pay 50 % of the \$8,500 fees.
Connection is voluntary unless septic is failing or if there is increased development of the property.

Applications for city funds closes on Feb. 15th 2019.

22 residents on septic within SCNA, including those on Duncan Lane, Summer Shade and in Woodriver area.

Modest rate increases will be put in place starting in 2023

MAYOR SALLY RUSSELL

Sewer project is complex and the city has issues with the tax they collect.

City's agenda was to think through what the community needs and take into consideration what is needed. Schools and parks and a place to "grab a pizza" within the area of where people live.

New City Councilor appointed (to fill Russell's vacancy) is Chris Piper, a moderate who has dug into the city issues.

City has set 5 goals or areas to focus city resources:

1) Housing - housing for the "middle class", changes in city code to bring cost down.
"Public - Private " partnerships

2) Transportation and mobility - congestion is a concern, gaps in sidewalks, safe ways to move on bikes, east west connections along with north south connections.
Partnership with ODOT to look at Parkway

3) Safety - Police and fire, using technology to reduce time of response due to levy.

4) Vitality - only 20 percent of people engage in the city, new ideas are from residents bringing forward. NA's are critical and NALA are important tool moving forward.

5) City operations



She's often asked "How big will Bend get?" She has no numbers in her head, however at the NA meeting in 2018 the number by 2028 was estimated to be 128,000. Asked about East - West connectivity: River crossing? "It's tricky" there are money and alignment issues.

A railroad crossing on Murphy / East West crossing on Empire? Russell said the larger issue was moving freight off the roadways and maybe shifting the switching yards out of Bend. She also mentioned need to find a way to keep trains from stopping in town.

Asked to define "Affordable Housing", and clarify her comments about taking a "scalpel" to city codes to "help developers." Russell stated there is small "a" and a large "A" in "affordable housing". A small percentage goes into a fund to create housing. Looking to build homes that are 150 % of AMI.

KORPINE PRESENTATION

Allison Platt, Senior Planner for City Growth.

Core area project, KorPine is within SCNA. City Council Resolution 3114 looked core Bend opportunity areas. Identified areas impacts 5 NA's including SCNA (KorPine.)

The work is to look at a vision through implementation of Urban renewal of the area.

There will be meetings start Feb 12th and they will go through the summer.

Issues included connecting the project to transportation and working with ODOT as they look at the Parkway.

The KorPine area is zoned mixed use.

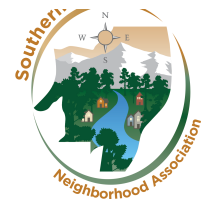
It was noted on the map she had shown identifying possible core areas that the COID land west of Brookwood to the River was on the map as identified as a potential opportunity area. PLATT had not knowledge of previous discussions on regarding that property and felt that it there had not been much if anything done as far as plans for it.

BPD PUBLIC SAFETY PRESENTATION

Bend Police Sergeant Landolt stated there has been an increase in calls, with the largest number of calls are in the summer. Theft and shoplifting were the most prevalent. He stated that actually locking vehicles is a big deterrent. Calls during the day are most common and are consistent across the days of the week. He also explained that through the use of technology and data BPD has been able to reduce and stop crime. The PD has a new Community Response Team (CRT) that works with mental health issues. And there is a new traffic team with hires up from 3 to 6.

RAFFLE AND MEMBERSHIP DRIVE WINNERS

V. Pharr presented winners Rose Blackburn (Raffle) & Deby DeWeese (Membership Drive) with \$50 ea (from a donation made to the SCNA by a member.) DeWeese and Blackburn both offered to donate funds back to SCNA for project to protect access to BPRD trail along COID land.



2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS

Board Elections:

V. Pharr read biographies for each candidate.

Candidate for Chair - Rose Blackburn

V. Pharr nominated R. Blackburn, seconded by Sandy(?), Unanimously accepted.

Candidate for Vice Chair – Deby DeWeese

Blackburn nominated DeWeese, seconded by Chris Watson, unanimously accepted.

Secretary - no candidates, vacant.

Treasurer- Currently held by Aaron Jones

V. Pharr nominated Jones, seconded by Larson, unanimously accepted.

Communications & Outreach - no candidates, vacant

(Blackburn as Chair will take that responsibility and take the responsibility to fill vacant board positions).

Event Coordinator - currently held by V. Pharr.

Julie (?) nominated V. Pharr, second by Mike (?), unanimously accepted.

Program Coordinator – currently held by K. Pharr

K. Scott nominated K. Pharr, seconded by (?), unanimously accepted.

Land Use Coordinator – proposed to be part of the Vice Chair (Deweese)

V. Pharr motions to accept, Mike (?) seconds, unanimously accepted.

Public Safety Coordinator – no candidates, vacant.

Member-at-Large #1 – K. Scott (current)

Nominated by Jones, seconded by Larson, unanimously accepted.

Member-at-Large #2 – Marjorie Meret-Carmen (new)

Nominated by V. Pharr, Mike (?) seconds, unanimously accepted.

Member-at-Large #3 - Karen Bergsvikk (new)

Nominated by Blackburn, second by V. Pharr, unanimously accepted.

Member-at-Large #4 - Kent Pressman (new)

Nominated by Deweese. seconded by Blackburn, unanimously accepted.

Adjournment: 7:55

Note Taker: J. Slodki – edited by R. Blackburn

Attachment A

REVISIONS TO 2-7-19 DRAFT MINUTES:

Submitted by D DeWeese:

Septic to Sewer - Ms. Julber mentioned that there are 2800 homes in Bend that are still on septic systems and so she anticipated that it could take as long as 50 years to get all of them on City sewer.

Mayor Russell: My notes read that there is going to be a crossing at both Murphy AND Empire (so Empire is not a question).

The Mayor also said that the affordable housing money Bend has comes in an 8:1 ratio - with the 1 being provided directly by the City (so, in other words, for every \$1 the City spends on affordable housing, they have been able to get matching funds of \$8).

Safety Presentation: The reason theft and shoplifting are the most prevalent in the SCNA is because of how many businesses are located in our NA. Actual homeowner theft is very low. I believe the number was 2 or 3.