



Southern Crossing Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2021

Opening

Karen Bergsvik called to order the regular meeting of the Southern Crossing Neighborhood Association's Board at 4:00 pm over Zoom on April 15, 2021. A quorum was established.

Board Members Present:

Karen Bergsvik - Chair, Deby DeWeese - Vice-Chair/Land Use Chair, Lowell Von Ruden - Treasurer/IT Communication.

Others Present:

Barb Campbell - SCNA's Council Liaison, Jessica Seidel, Marketing Director, Pahlisch Homes, Denni Osmer, Sandy Sears.

Members absent: Brian Holman

Additions To The Agenda:

- Adoption of March Minutes
- SCNA MailChimp List Improvement

Motion

- Deby made a motion to approve the minutes as written with minor corrections, Lowell seconded, all in favor.

Actions Taken/Agreed To Be Taken

Lowell:

- Insert question into the newsletter to get input as to where to put radar signs

- SCNA MailChimp List Improvement (Brian to assist)

Karen:

- Communicate with Janet Ruby, to get more information about when and what they might be doing to open up Chamberlain
- Correct March minutes
- Email Barb information regarding the funds allocated to the proposal signals at the Roundabout located at Reed Market, Brookwood, and Bond

Barb:

- Look into fire evacuation issue in Reed Lane

Reports

Lowell - Treasurer and IT

- I. Year-end is June; attention should be given to using up funds as soon as possible.
- II. SCNA Documentation sharing and collaboration: Documents should be stored in a Google drive location controlled by the board. Remove board documents from personal drives and move them to the board area. When a board member leaves, access should be removed from the shared drive. Each Board member must have a Google account for collaboration access.
- III. SCNA Meeting and Newsletter Communication: Send a content reminder to Board a week before the mailing date. Newsletter content due two days before the mailing date. Newsletter/meeting announcement mailing date six days before board meetings.
- IV. SCNA MailChimp List Improvement: Seeks to improve mailing list. Confirm existing street addresses of both individuals and businesses. Change sign-up form to require a minimum of the street name. Search existing street names for any outside of SCNA. Send a mailing to those with an address, to correct it if not current, those with no address to enter a minimum of the street name. Repeat a minimum of annually, or before a general or special meeting. At each annual or special meeting, request all to verify/update their info.

Vice-Chair and Land Use

Deby presented her report and covered the following topics:

- I. New developments/Notifications: Deby attended the public meeting for new apartments on Reed Lane. Insufficient parking for apartments already built let alone this new development. People are parking in the cul-de-sac that is supposed to be used by the fire department and hence the neighbors' biggest concerns were fire evacuation and parking.
- II. COID Land - The Century West NA in collaboration with Southern Crossing and the SouthWest Bend NA are now in communication with the owners of Mt Bachelor Village Condos Resort. They have the view easement that is supposed to last until April 1, 2034. Lisa Mushel was able to finally get an owner contact so Deby expects more involvement on this project now from across the river.
 - Deby has set into motion for the Larkspur, Old Farm, and probably SouthEast Bend NA's to get involved once we move deeper into saving the trails as their neighbors need the trails to get to the river, Brookwood Plaza, and the Old Mill without going on roads. The City has been talking about a safe, East-West connection off-road for years and, in working on this project, Deby has realized that not many people realize that this connection already exists.
 - Deby and Karen, members of the COID Strategy Group, on April 14 sent out a joint update to the nearly 250 neighbors on that list (and growing fast). A new shared email address was created by the group (coidbendinfo@gmail.com) so that all members can assist with answering questions.
 - On March 23, the Strategy Group did a walk-through of the land with Councilor Anthony Broadman and BPRD Board Member Deb Schoen. Barb Campbell will be rescheduled. They are now aware of the side trails and understand why Shevlin South is an apt name. Deb said the tour helped her see that the land is a key trail connectivity and agreed to go back to her Board to encourage them to work with the association on saving the trails and, if possible, keeping the land as an open park. She also said she would talk with Henry, the trails guy at BPRD, about the trail that COID removed from the NA by the creek and about moving the Brookwood Crossing to the trail entrance rather than at the tunnel, which she too agreed seems too dangerous and is not a helpful crossing.
 - Pahlisch put in writing that they will not be closing on the land for about another year and then the actual development will take years. This makes sense due to the view easement, the infrastructure issues, their current developments, and the Master Plan process that will be required.
 - A wonderful neighbor from SBNA poured through the old COID Board minutes for Deby and found out who the real estate agent is for COID. Deby asked the agent about the community making a back offer and he put in writing that it's not possible

due to contracts. Lisa from CWNA is a real estate agent and she confirmed that this agent is reputable and his job is to get as many offers as possible for his client so, if this is turned down, the purchase is not possible. Based on the wording of his email, Lisa felt as though COID might even have another back offer from a 2nd developer.

- Neighbors from SBNA, especially some who live on Rock Bluff, still want to try to buy the land. Deby connected SBNA with the Trust for Public Land (TPL). Deby suggested that SBNA explain their hope and have the TPL reach out to COID to see if the neighbors still have a chance or if TPL corroborates what the real estate agent said. The strategy group is waiting for SBNA's report on this.
- Deby stated that SBNA is having their Spring General Meeting tonight and she hopes to find out whether they are going to pursue the purchase based on the input from their neighbors at that meeting. SBNA's Board did decide to not ask their neighbors about SCNA annexing the land; they felt that the members needed to be educated about the COID property before making a decision.

III. NLA Land Use Working Group – The group continues to work on educational materials for Land Use Chairs while also working on educational materials for the public. The more Deby interacts with the public and with other Land Use Chairs around land use issues, the more she sees the value of these educational materials and she is glad the Council made this an NLA project.

IV. Land Use Chair Networking Group – The next meeting will be in early May so there was nothing new to report.

V. Land Use Chair Group - Council SubGroup - This subgroup is doing great work and has come up with critical land-use topics to discuss in half-hour meetings with each Councilor. Deby likes the approach the group decided to take and is in the process of organizing the material so that members of the larger Land Use Chair Networking Group can be part of these individual meetings if they wish. The subgroup agreed to keep the meetings to one Councilor and 2 Land Use Chairs to have a productive dialog. The group should be able to start inviting Councilors to meet by late Spring or early Summer.

VI. Outsourcing of Minutes -The Board decided to continue to have Christine do our minutes. Deby explained how the process will work.

Karen - Chair & NLA

I. Submitted the citizen service request on behalf of Southern Crossing regarding the opening of Chamberlain. The city will open it at some point. . She was referred to contact Janet Ruby, the city engineer to get more information about the timeline.

- II. The traffic signal proposal for the roundabout at Reed Market, Brookwood, and Bond is on a temporary hold.
- III. No update on the city-wide mailing that Makayla was proposing to do via the Neighborhood Leadership Alliance (NLA).
- IV. There was a neighborhood leadership Alliance meeting. Discussions were on the neighborhood street safety program, HB 2001, and parking. The council will meet on April 21, 2021, at 5:00 pm to talk about parking requirements. The public is invited.

Radar Signs

- I. Karen stated that the association will have the opportunity to have radar signs at three locations for two weeks each. They are used to slow down, stop speeding, or mitigate speeding. We are to identify these locations and report back to the city at the beginning of May.
- II. The possible locations identified by the board are the Box Factory, Reed Lane, and Silver Lake. A question could be placed in the Special edition of the Newsletter to get feedback from residents of Southern Crossing.
- III. Karen stated that she is more interested in the process of how they come up with the locations rather than the actual locations. Should they get feedback from the residents? How does the association get input as to where speeding occurs?
- IV. Karen has been requesting from the city a summary of Citizen Service Requests to identify what the neighborhood is requesting and get feedback about the areas reported where speeding occurs.

Barb Campbell - SCNA's Council Liaison

Barb reported on the following:

- ***New goals for the upcoming biennium.***

- I. Restructuring the neighborhood associations as soon as the new census data is available
- II. Two or three more police officers available to the public
- III.** Police will be wearing body cameras (data collect will be confidential & cannot be used without permission).

- IV. A safe parking program requires any type of commercial lot to have a certain number of RVs on their parking lots to accommodate the homeless. Sanitary facilities should also be available.
- V. The city plans to look at all of the parking requirements throughout the city as a stand-alone issue.

SCNA discussions :

- I. Deby stated that there is a concern about fire evacuation in Reed Lane. Insufficient parking resulting in people blocking the cul-de-sac, where the fire trucks are supposed to go around. Hence she is seeking Barb's advice on what to tell the neighbors about what they can do or who they can contact?
- II. Barb advised her that they can contact the city council and also get other agencies involved, including the school district.
- III. Deby also says that the land use chair networking group is working on meeting individually with counselors about land use issues.
- IV. Deby asked if since the Reed Market roundabout project has been delayed could the monies that were allocated for that be moved to fix the association's two NSSP projects?
- V. Barb asked for information to be sent to her via email about the funds allocated to the traffic signals at the Roundabout.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 pm.