



Southern Crossing Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes

July 22, 2021

Opening: Karen Bergsvik called to order the regular meeting of the Southern Crossing Neighborhood Association's Board at 4:00 pm on July 22, 2021. A quorum was established.

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

Additions To The Agenda: There were no additions to the agenda.

Motion: Deby made a motion to approve minutes for June's Meeting. Lowell seconded, all in favor.

Actions Taken/Agreed to Be Taken

Lowell: Email Old Farm and Century West with regards to storage sharing unit arrangement. Update the draft of the board application form for further board review.

Karen

Will try to get the dates for the NART meetings for the remainder of the year.

Thinks it is important to stay on top of what the Transportation Bond oversight committee is doing to ensure that the current Neighborhood Street Safety projects (NSSP) are funded.

Will Speak to Makayla about the city setting up accounts on Next Door for all the NAs.

Board

As per the 2021/22 new budget, the board agreed to the following :

- a) Renew the zoom license
- b) Continue renting a storage unit, and share it with other NA's
- c) Hire minutes taker
- d) Budget for two postal mailings

Reports

Lowell - Treasurer and IT

Lowell reported on the following :

- Budget 2020/21 : A final budget spreadsheet was posted for the board to review. The unspent amount is \$305.93
- Budget 2021/22: The budget was reduced by \$381 as part of the city's overall 7% NA budget reduction.
- A budget spreadsheet was created for the new year for the board to review and discuss.
- Newsletter response statistics: The number of people that are opening and clicking seems to be fairly small (33%) , however it felt that even though the aim is to get a hundred percent, this a very good percentage based on typical statistics.
- He is dissatisfied about the mailing list that was received from the city and suggests that the board continue with maintaining the current list. After discussion, the board agrees and will discuss the issue with Makayla. Deby also mentioned that she has been having a discussion with developers to work with the association in getting information about SCNA to new tenants, in an effort to expand the membership and keep people informed.
- Board application and web pages: It was decided to keep the street address on the Board application.
- Currently working on changing the sign-up form that is located at the bottom of the website page where you just enter a name and email address and there's no way to enforce mandatory fields. The board agrees.
- Will investigate the issue discovered on the website on mobile devices.
- Currently Deby posts on NextDoor from her personal account due to the restrictions with the free version. The city has an official account with Next Door and Deby is wondering if the city could set up accounts for all the NAs. She asked Karen to speak to Makayla about this issue.
- There was discussion about FaceBook and that the ownership is with the former chair (Valerie). Based on the activity and the number of followers it was decided to keep it that way - but to start thinking about transitioning to a new page. Tabled until a later time.

Deby - Vice-Chair and Land Use

Deby reported on the following:

- In her report, Deby covered eleven new developments in the SCNA.

- COID Land: Made a very good connection with COID because of a homeless camp on the land. There was a positive discussion regarding the sale to Pahlisch and also that the association wants the trail from Brookwood to the portajohn saved. Good meeting with Pahlisch and the next COID Team meeting is July 23.
- NLA Land Use Working Group: The last meeting will be in August. The group created the developer packet, a new land use page with a lot of resources for land use chairs, and also a new city website for those who are interested in learning more about land use. Feedback is requested on the community education site: <https://www.bendoregon.gov/community/land-use>.
- Deby continues to push the use of the Land Use Chairs website to the Land Use Chairs Networking Group: <http://www.bendnaforums.org/land-use-corner.html> Most of the meeting was spent strategizing on HB2001 and the upcoming Planning Commission meeting.
- NART: The board agrees that they would rotate attending the NART meetings between all its members. Karen is tasked to get the dates for the meeting for the remainder of the year. Deby has been asked to write an article on HB2001 for the NART column in the Bulletin. Deby attended the last NART meeting and there was a lot of discussion about factual issues with the new Bulletin column as well as HB2001.
- Save Bend: Neil Bryan, the retired Oregon Senator who is in the Save Bend group, has set up a meeting with Mayor Sally Russell because he is upset at the lack of community meetings and input on HB2001. There is no feedback as to how that went, however Deby hopes that people will be able to make comments. **Karen - Chair and NLA**

Karen reported on the following:

- NLA Report: No one from the NLA has volunteered to be chair or vice-chair since Hans Jorgensen, the Chair, submitted his resignation and also Lisa Mushel, vice-chair effective August 15th. Dave Johnson also resigned from the Old Farm as the NLA representative.
- It was requested that Karen share with the board what she reported on at the NLA Meetings for SCNA.
- Year-end City report: The final copy of the report was placed in the board share file for the board to see if interested.
- Karen met with Janet Hruby, and she said that it would be difficult for them to redo the Silver Lake and Reed Market crossing, so they are reverting to improving Chamberlain. \$300,000 was budgeted for the Chamberlain and Reed Market intersectional part of NSSP, but they are not planning to do that until 2024. The transportation bond oversight committee is the body that will make the final decision about NSSP projects. They may end up changing priorities and may not even fund all of the outstanding NSSP projects. Janet doesn't think that will happen, but that is a possibility because the

oversight committee will start prioritizing projects in the fall. To ensure that SCNA projects stay on the priority list and the neighborhood is represented, Karen plans to make contacts and stay on top of what the oversight committee is doing.

The meeting concluded at 4:59 pm.