

## SOUTHERN CROSSING NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2008 7:00 PM

Home of Brett Caldwell

The Board Meeting was preceded by a social hour from 6:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. Neighbors had a chance to meet and get to know each other and discuss some of the issues confronting the Neighborhood Association. Arts in Public Places loaned us the replica of the new artwork that is going to be placed in the Reed Market round-a-bout.

Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. Present were board members Diane Ross, Debbi Graves, Dave Thompson, Brett Caldwell, Cathy Smith and members Vern Frost, Gary Ross, Burnie Aarons, Kris Schofield and her daughter, and visitors Leslea Banks (who is now a member) and Diane Tomitz.

**Secretary Report:** The minutes from the June meeting will be approved at the August Board Meeting.

**Treasurers Report:** Diane gave a brief explanation of how the NA is funded. Our new fiscal year began July 1<sup>st</sup>. We had a balance remaining from last year of \$26.33 which is not carried over to the new year. Most of our funding is used to prepare and mail out meeting notices.

### Old Business

**Membership Data Base Review & Update – Cathy:** Cathy and Dave are continuing to compare their lists.

**E-Mail Data Base Update – Dave Thompson:** Still a few rejections. Dave is continuing to work on them, contacting the members for additional information.

**Website – Cathy:** Site is up to date.

**Train Shack:** Diane has made arrangements with Burlington Northern to have the scale shack and its contents deeded to SCNA. EMR Inc, which is the company that will be demolishing the tracks etc, will be working with us to remove the shack from its foundation so we can move it to a storage building off Reed Market, donated by Mike McKnight. Pete Cecil, a local contractor who restores historical buildings, will be working with EMR on our behalf to move and arrange for restoration of the building. Several people have volunteered to assist with the actual restoration. Once moved, Pete will give us a list of materials needed and we will seek donations of those. Diane has contacted several developers to try and find a permanent home for the restored building. Bend Metro Parks might also be a possibility. The next meeting for the project will be July 15, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. at Strictly Organic Coffee.

**Park District SCNA Rep – Brett Caldwell:** Brett has been working on a committee the last few months that is re-evaluating the SDC charges for Parks by new construction. The Parks Department will then make decisions for what to do with the funds. Options include Capital Improvement, development of new and maintenance of existing parks and evaluating existing trail systems to assure connectivity. Brett also gave an overview of the new Riverbend Park.

**Street light at Chamberlain & Silver Lake:** Brett has been working with the City to try and get a street light at this corner. There is a school bus stop located there and during the winter months it is quite dark when children are waiting for the bus.

**Bluff - Diane:** Diane has contacted Mary Campbell with William Smith Properties and Mary has indicated that they plan on planting trees and shrubs on the hillside early this fall to help stabilize it. Once they have finished their planting we will get together and see if the slide and erosion problems have been resolved.

**Survey Results – Diane:** Diane reviewed the results of the member survey that was mailed out with the May General Membership Meeting notices. Twenty three surveys were returned. Most of the results were positive. The survey results are available on the Neighborhood website at [www.bendneighborhoods.com/southerncrossing](http://www.bendneighborhoods.com/southerncrossing) under the "Projects and Accomplishments" tab.

**Mercato Update – Diane:** Diane contacted Michael Ludeman of the Trono Group concerning the planned development for the old Crane Shed site. He indicated that they hope to have the underground utilities in by late summer or early fall 2008 and start construction of the building in summer 2009.

### **New Business**

**Land Use updates – Debbi:** Debbi has heard that the 500 Bond development will have to start over with their plans. They did not resubmit plans to the City within the 180 day time frame.

There was another application for a liquor license by a restaurant in the Old Mill.

There is very little land use activity at this time.

**Parking and Width of Silverlake – Diane:** Diane explained that when the Habitat for Humanity homes were built on Silverlake they were designed with back alley access to garages to prevent on street parking. There were originally

“No Parking” signs put up on the east side of Silverlake. They have since been removed. It is very difficult for two lanes of traffic to pass through the street if there are cars parked on the East side. Diane met with Susie Lovisco from the Bend Fire Department to get the Departments thoughts on the road width and parking. Diane will check the final plats for the Habitat development to see if parking was addressed. Susie agreed that there was an issue and indicated that if we were unable to get the “No Parking” signs re-instated then perhaps it could be signed as “No Parking, Fire Lane”.

**Letter of Support for TSAC Continued Funding – Diane:** SCNA has received a letter from Mt. View NA asking that all of the associations send a letter of support for continued funding of the Traffic & Safety Advisory Committee which the City is considering eliminating. All in attendance thought it was a good idea.

A motion was made by Debbi Graves and seconded by Dave Thompson to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 P.M. Motion passed.

The next board meeting will be held on August 14, 2008 at Blakely Park.

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Smith, Secretary