

Mountain View Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting – October 27, 2008

6:30 pm – Exit Realty Office

MINUTES

Attendees: Deb Kraus, Alan Eames, Jim Mazziotti, Lisa Clark, Deena McNeil, Jeanne Newton (by phone)

- I. **Approval of Minutes from 9/22/08 Board Meeting** – Motion made by Jim, seconded by Lisa to approve the minutes as written.
- II. **Bend Metro Parks & Recreation Update** – Deb will review the minutes from the last meetings and report at the November meeting.
- III. **Traffic Safety Advisory Committee Update** – Jeanne reviewed the agenda from the October 22 TSAC; it was noted that Transportation Engineering lost two employees at the last budget cut and that Tony Tirico is no longer with the department. Jeanne reviewed the ongoing 4th and Studio project, the bicycle safety task force, TSAC's first report to the Council and other topics on the agenda. No action is required at this time.
- IV. **Land Use – Development Code Tune-Ups** – Jeanne reported that Community Development is in the process of updating sections of the city Development Code; there has been pressure from the development community to loosen restrictions; the NAs were not initially included in the review process however closer review is expected in the future. There were no changes in the first tune-up that would impact the NA review process.
- V. **27th Corridor Clean Up – Saturday, September 27** – Jeanne reported on the clean up effort; the event went well with 15 participants; a member on Faith Drive willing to help make frames for SOLV bags; MVNA billed \$10. for co-mingled trash in recycle bin; safety vests, trash grabbers, supply of gloves ready for next effort. Thanks to Jim and Carolyn for their help.
- VI. **Fall General Membership Meeting** – Jeanne reported on the meeting having a small turnout of members; the evaluation data: 10 rated Very Useful; 6 rated as Useful. Discussion covered how we might increase the attendance at General Member meetings. A return to a single speaker seems indicated; having the City Manager, law enforcement officials, city department heads; speakers on hot topics, drug enforcement and traffic issues were suggested. Regarding a spring meeting, sending a mailing to all tax lot owners doesn't seem to be warranted as few new members were gained with the last mailing. Alan suggested that using Outlook would allow us to send invitations directly to members with email and that would load the information to their calendars. Lisa liked the idea of having a forum to discuss neighborhood relevant topics; such as getting along with your neighbors, managing rentals, code enforcement issues and growing neighbor interest in civic responsibility.
- VII. **MVNA Board** – Jeanne reported that MVNA has 5 Board members and asked for ideas to recruit more; a discussion on how to recruit more Board members took place; suggestions included holding a pizza party type of general meeting to attract more people; writing a letter to the Bulletin, Cascade Business News. Other suggestions included a booth at St. Charles Friday Farmer's Market or holding an outdoor event for our general meetings. Jim Mazziotti agreed to act as secretary for MVNA which is much appreciated.
- VIII. **Office of Neighborhood Associations** – Jeanne updated the Board that the position of Asst. Communications Director is on hold, meaning there is no dedicated support to NAs. She reviewed the directives from the City Counsel which include: NA Boards may not vote by email; it violates the OR Open Meetings law; Board members may not hold discussions via email for the same reason; NAs may hold informational forums on candidates or measures but the NA or Board cannot endorse candidates or measures. Jeanne is currently revising the ONA Annual Compliance Report for better accountability.
- IX. **Expenses – Budget** – Jeanne reported that our current NA balance as of 10/27/08 is \$2321.16. The Mid-Oregon Credit Union account remains unchanged at \$537.55.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jim; seconded by Alan; the meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Next Meeting: November 17