

SOUTHERN CROSSING NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes
February 7, 2011 7:00 PM
Home of Barry and Cathy Smith
61570 Sunny Breeze Ln.

Board Meeting was called to order at 7:13 P.M. Present were board members Brett Caldwell, Diane Ross, Bryan Smith, Dave Thompson and Cathy Smith.

General Department updates

Secretary: A motion was made by Diane and seconded by Dave to approve the minutes from January 11, 2011. Motion passed.

Membership lists: Brett will scan and email his signature to Cathy to be put on welcome letters to new members.

Dave checked with the City of Bend and found out that 911 does have reverse directory access for emergency situations, at least for land lines. Dave will find out if it works for cell phone numbers as well. Bryan suggested letting our NA know that this process exists and then if it does not include cell phone numbers, give members of our NA the opportunity to register their cell numbers with 911.

Treasurer: Brett received an update from Justin and we have about \$155.00 left in our budget.

BMPRD: Nothing new to report.

Land Use: Nothing new to report.

NART: Cathy attended the last NART meeting.

They discussed re-assigning City Council liaisons to the various NA's. Mike Lovely will work on this.

Cheryl Howard is now a part-time City employee and in charge of the Bend Beautification Program. She is checking old shelved projects. She is currently working on the City sidewalk inventory, looking to see if they need maintenance, ADA continuity, cleaning and weeding, etc. She is working on a standard sidewalk inventory form and will probably enlist the assistance of the NA's to get the inventory completed. Na's will need to identify priorities along with traffic safety concerns. Cheryl will also be a volunteer coordinator for the City, enlisting volunteers to man the greeters desk in City Hall and help with beautification projects such as weed pulling.

Na membership in the Bend Chamber of Commerce was discussed. Several NA's have decided not to renew, including SCNA. They will be reviewing what the advantages are. They might have a Chamber rep speak at a future NART meeting.

Annie Goldner suggested updating the basic generic Neighborhood Association brochure and keeping a supply of them at the Visit Bend Office.

All present voted to distribute the NART meeting notes to the NA's only and not put them on the City's website.

None of the NA's have received information back from the TSAC complaint forms that were identified as still being a concern. Mike will check on this.

The City of Bend is now on a different website than the NA's. Mike will check with Justin to see how this affects the NA's.

A schedule for facilitators and recorders for future NART meetings is being prepared.

All but 5 of the NA's were represented at the meeting.

Traffic & Safety: Brett will check for the link to report the issue of not being able to see up Brookwood (looking South) from Blakely Ct., as reported by Dave. It will be a test of the CSR's through the TSAC system.

Facebook Page & Advertising: Brett will work on the Facebook page. Advertising was discussed again.

Community Improvement: Plaque and tour efforts for the scale shack have been tabled until spring. Brett is still working on thank you's. Brett will try to get the news clips and videos on the Facebook page.

The City is looking for nominations for 2010 projects for Bend Beautification and Culture awards. Nominations are due by April 23, 2011. The Board thought this might be a good opportunity for additional recognition of the Scale Shack project. Cathy agreed to complete the form and present it to the board.

The board discussed the possibility of an upcoming bond issue. We do not want to become politically involved or endorse it but the board felt it was appropriate to bring the issue to the attention of our members if the City Council decides to move forward with it.

Roundabout weeds need to be brought to the attention of Cheryl Howard at the City.

Outstanding Business: Old Mill Bluffs: We need to get in contact with the Homeowners Association at The Bluffs and coordinate a response between The Bluffs and the Old mill on the hill at Reed Market.

New Business: The City of Bend formed an Economic Development Advisory Committee last October. Bryan went over the members and the objectives of the committee, which was very difficult to locate. Bryan has suggested sending a request to the City for notice of openings on advisory committees to be sent to

the NA's to be shared with our membership. Brett will bring up the issue at NART.

Diane asked about the Bend 2030 project and how it was progressing. They do have a website that could be consulted for information. Diane suggested contacting the community person at the Bulletin and suggesting they do an updated article on the progress of the committee.

A motion was made by Cathy and seconded by Diane to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 P.M. Motion passed.

The date of the next board meeting will be March 7, 2011 at the home of Brett Caldwell.

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Smith, Secretary