

Southwest Hills Neighborhood Assoc (SHiNA) General Meeting Minutes

Sunday, November 5, 2017, 4:00-6:00pm, 595 Crest Drive, Wayne Morse Family Farm (WMFF)

(Approved 12/14/17)

Board Members Present: Ralph McDonald, Vice Chair
Janet Bevirt, Secretary
Felipe Alonso III, At-Large
Ron Bevirt, At-Large
Dana Furgerson, At-Large (Not Continuing)
Ann Miller, At-Large (Not Continuing)

SHiNA Liaison: Nora Hagerty

Attendees: (15)

James Ballantine

Nancy Carlson

Peter Carlson

Glenna Dunaway

Danika Esden-Tempski

Piotr Esden-Tempski

Lynn Marx

Bev McDonald

James McDonald

Dave Pompel

Nancy Radius

Meg Stewart-Smith

Elisabeth Zenger

Dale Weigandt, Board Chairman, River Road Park & Recreation, dweigandt@rrpark.org

Jim Wienecke, Superintendent, " , weineckejim@gmail.com

Motion: To approve the 10/15/17 General Meeting Minutes.

Endorsed by Dana, Seconded by Ralph. Approved by 6 votes.

Public Comments: None

Speakers: Jim Wienecke, Board Chairman and Dale Weigandt, Superintendent of River Road Park & Recreation District, spoke about a proposed initiative for a City feasibility study on forming a special district for Eugene Park & Recreation similar to Willamalane. (Handout posted on SHiNA website.) If a special district is created the City can not use these funds for general use. Attendees had discussions with question and answer time. The study has been endorsed by Santa Clara Community Organization and Jefferson Westside Neighbors. A SHiNA membership vote was taken in support of a feasibility study to create a special district to stabilize funding for the City of Eugene's park and recreation system. James McDonald suggested SHiNA send in our written support for such a study to the City Councilors, Mayor and City Manager.

Motion: For SHiNA to email, City Councilors, Mayor and City Manager, in support of a feasibility study on forming a special district for Park & Recreation in Eugene, similar to Willamalane. Endorsed by Dana, Seconded by Ralph. Unanimously approved by Board and Attendees.

SHiNA Slate for Election of Board Member Nominees & Positions: Unanimous Approval

Janet Bevirt, Co-Chair (Temp Treasurer)

Ralph McDonald, Co-Chair

Ron Bevirt, Secretary

Felipe Alonso III, At-Large

Piotr Esden-Tempski, At-Large

Lynn Marx, At-Large

Meg Stewart Smith, At-Large

Elisabeth Zenger, At-Large

Announcements:

- SHiNA OCCU Account Balance: \$617.31

- 10/24 Neighborhood Leaders Council (NLC) Meeting, Robin Hostick: Land Use 101 (Handout posted on SHiNA website.)

- 10/26 Eugene Neighbors, Inc (ENI) Meeting: Jen (HRNI) Have a 15 minute social before the SHiNA meetings; UO Students focusing on Active Bethel Citizens (ABC) micro-hoods and ENI Elections. ENI provides Employer Identification Number to use when requesting fundraising donations which can then be tax deductible. Membership is now free for one year, no fees or post office box expense. ENI can assist with Neighborhood Grant funds and deals with tax or bank account issues. A SHiNA Rep needs to attend the ENI Elections meeting at a minimum.

Proposed Charter & Bylaw Changes:

- Change SHiNA Charter to be more general since it needs City Council approval.

- Have SHiNA specifics in Bylaws which can be changed by membership alone.

Discussed Neighborhood Issues:

- Leaning trees from neighboring property. Downed trees or limbs blocking street passage with winter's snows and ice coming. Also possible downed wires and electrical outages.

- Addressing barking (etc) dog complaints.

- Rat problems and solutions.

Topic of Interest for Future Meetings:

- Define Livability and Sustainability as referred to in the SHiNA Charter.

- Presentation of Elected, Independent City Auditor before May 2018 elections.

- Affordable Housing Options, Lot Size and Residential next to Commercial Zoning issues.

- Consider Neighborhood Matching Grant to fund future projects in SHiNA. (Tree Planting, etc.)

- Neighborhood Watch: Suspicious Behavior, Appropriate Description of Person and Avoiding Stereotypes or Info that can be construed as offensive.

Next Meeting:

Board Meeting, Thursday, December 14th, 6-8pm, WMFF

Work on schedule of SHiNA Event, General and Board Meeting dates for 2018 Calendar.
Etc.

Snacks & Giveaways:

Pizza, lemon water and cookies were available.

Twelve 3-gallon water bottles from EWEB were given away.

Minute Taker: Janet Bevirt, Secretary