

**Mountain View Neighborhood Association**

**Board Meeting – March 16, 2009**

**6:30 pm – Exit Realty Office**

**MINUTES**

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

**Absent: Lisa Clark**

- I. **Approval of Minutes from 1/26/09 Board Meeting** – Motion was made by Alan, seconded by Deena to accept the minutes as written; approved by all.
- II. **Bend Metro Parks & Recreation Update** – New local park to be built within Pilot Butte State Park on east side; picnic shelter, playground, plaza area constructed. The increase in park SDCs has been postponed due to economic slowdown. A recent letter to the Bulletin suggesting that all canal paths become Bend trails.
- III. **Traffic Safety Advisory Committee Update** – City of Bend has directed the stimulus funding to be used for street overlays, curb ramps, bike lanes; RAB at Empire & 18<sup>th</sup>. The overlays in MVNA area; much of Purcell north of Hwy 20; sections of Butler Market, sections of 27<sup>th</sup>, eastern section of Neff. The March meeting of TSAC cancelled based on few topics to discuss. A Road Users Task Force created to improve driver-cyclist safety is working on a list of reminders to Share the Road – will be distributed at area bike shops.
- IV. **Land Use** – Jeanne updated the Board on PZ 08-308 regarding public meeting notices: the suggested change to notify NAs with priority mail/delivery confirmation will be voted on at the March 23 Planning Commission meeting for forwarding to City Council vote.
- V. **Update MVNA Policy on Support of Charitable Events** – Board members discussed the guidelines last agreed on at the 1/26 meeting; they were as follows:
  - organization must be a non-profit or charitable organization
  - organization must be local; i.e. within Deschutes County
  - recipients are local; i.e. within Deschutes County
  - approval requires majority vote of Board membersThere was discussion of how to or whether to determine what percentage of profits go to charity; Deb reported that often the “proper” amount depends on many factors; is the event a start-up, is the charity using a professional organizer, etc. Jeanne confirmed that her research indicated there is no “standard” measurement. There was additional discussion regarding how much advance notice the Board needs to adequately assess the request; a motion was made by Deena, seconded by Alan to add the following guideline
  - requests must be submitted to the Board 60 days prior to the event. The motion was approved by all.
- VI. **Spring General Member Meeting** – Jeanne updated the Board on the series of plans for the Spring meeting:
  - request was made to City Manager Eric King and Chief of Police Sandi Baxter to be speakers
  - subsequent need to change meeting date as Monday 5/18 does not work for Eric; 5/19 does not work for SCMC; possible to hold meeting Tuesday 5/26 after Memorial Day weekend. It was decided that meeting the day after Memorial Day was not a good choice.
  - Jeanne reviewed estimates from Bend Mailing to produce and mail postcard meeting announcement:
    - One side color; 5300 pieces: \$1834.
    - Both sides B&W; \$1648.
  - Jeanne reviewed mailing options; could mail to residents only rather than owners and residents (last mailing had 4,030 site addresses and 4,619 owner addresses; mailing went to 5,234 addresses after removing duplicates).
  - We obtained an estimate from Castaño Photo + Design to create print ready design - \$200.
  - Jeanne discussed the possible option of a postcard notice just to the 400 members of record and using the City newsletter which is mailed with utility bills to notify owners and residents. She will confirm with Justin Finestone that this approach satisfies NA bylaws.
  - It was suggested we consider using a site where we could include food; we could see if Hollinshead Barn is available – we could move the meeting to June – the Barn is available only on Tuesdays; June 9 is available. We discussed providing pizza and soft drinks; Jim to check out if we can use a shop within MVNA geography or purchase them at Costco.

**VIII. Updates**

- March 16th, 6 PM "Open Line with the Council" at Hollinshead Barn hosted by Orchard District – NAs being asked to host these sessions – not likely the preference of MVNA members
- MVNA submitted its Annual Compliance report to the City in February; verifies that we meet Open Meeting laws; publish meeting minutes, meeting sites are accessible, how membership list is maintained, list of fixed assets purchased with city funds
- Justin Finestone alerted the NAs that the Communication department has been asked to cut an additional 10% from this year's budget; he must cut \$7,271 from the NA total; at least 4 of the NAs object since we cut our funding for the current year by 25% during the last round of cuts. The amount to cut represents 17% of the NA's total 08-09 budget; for MVNA, we began the year with \$5753. in funds; a cut of 17% leaves us with \$4775. – we have spent \$3538. to date; which leaves a balance of \$1237. between now and June 30. Our balance in the MVNA Credit Union account is \$601.

**IX. Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn was made by Jim, seconded by Deb; approved by all.

**Next Meeting: Monday, April 20**