

Southeast Bend Neighborhood Association
Minutes
February 18, 2009

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. The meeting was held at the South Bend Fire Station. The members attending the meeting were, Dick Selby, Harold Anderson, Maureen Schlerf, Ellen, Glasgow, Kristi Erickson, Kathy Leming and John Alkire.

Kristi read the minutes from January's monthly meeting. The minutes were read and approved by all.

General Neighborhood Issues

We are donating a bench at the bus stop between Wal-Mart and Albertson's. This is in the Old Farm district. The cost will be shared between Old Farm and SEBNA.

John reported on the transportation safety advisory committee meeting. They have been talking about the stimulus package but do not know yet how much they will get but it looks to be substantial. The roundabout at 18th and Empire were also discussed. They also reported that the number one ODOT project coming up was Murphy Road. There are still discussions with WENCO and how much money they are contributing to this project.

Harold sent a letter to the city in support of the Murphy Road overpass moving forward to get rid of the traffic lights.

Land Use

Ron received a letter from the city of Bend concerning the Woodhill project. There is a new owner. They want a modification of the original subdivision. It was suppose to be in two phases because of the sewer situation. They have asked for an increase in the phases from 2 to 5. They want to modify the grading and tree preservation plan. Ron read a letter he wrote in response to this request. He delivered it to the owner. He expressed that it is unfortunate that more trees must be removed because of work done previously. He also expressed the law about lot coverage that is part of the city development code. Only 35% of the lot can be covered by the home.

Ron also reported on a notice from the city called the development code tune-up package. There is a provision in the code that says applicants must present to the neighborhood association their intentions. Ron told us that at this time, the applicants say when and where and that notification has not been timely. Ron has proposed writing a letter suggesting that the public meeting be at the neighborhood association meeting places. Harold suggested a position letter stating our position and that we need to implement it soon because this code may be passed in the next two weeks. There was vigorous discussion on this issue. All were in favor of Ron drafting the letter.

Richard and Ellen brought samples of newsletters for us to look at. We looked at several different templates. Richard said he would draft a letter for us to look at next time we meet. This newsletter would be mailed out quarterly. Maureen suggested that we walk our newsletters from door to door. We discussed how to get the letters to the people. E-mail has not been the best way, but mailing is expensive. Richard will bring prices for printing and mailing. Maureen suggested that the members each write an article about something that concerns him or her. We will discuss this further at the next meeting.

Secure shred will be held March 14th 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. You can have any documents shredded at no charge.

Budget Report

Maureen reported to Harold that we have \$1436.80 in the budget at this time. This money has to last until June 30th. She still has not received the billing for our most recent mailing.

Adjournment

The next meeting will be held on the third Wednesday in March.