

SOUTHEAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
Regular Meeting
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
August 24, 2009

Area 1: Fred Fritchman
Victoria Nelson

Area 4: Kathleen Fahey (excused)
David Dewey (excused)

Area 2: Susan Eastlake
Kirk Hall
Whitney Rearick

Area 5: Matt Helton, Treasurer
Bill White (excused)
Mary Crouch (excused)

Area 3: Jack Hemenway, V.P.
Maxine Freeman, Secretary

Area 6: Charles McDevitt (excused)
Brian McDevitt, President

Also in attendance: T.J. Thomson/Boise City Council candidate

A quorum being present, President Brian McDevitt opened the meeting at 7 p.m.

Minutes - Minutes of the regular board meeting of July 23, 2009 were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Matt Helton reported \$1,836.78 in the treasury

Presentation – T.J. Thomson presented his background and his vision of his contributions in service on the Boise City council. A variety of issues were discussed.

Grants –

KaBOOM! /Kroeger Park – Maxine Freeman reported that Brian, Fred, Jack and Kathleen actively participated on the August 8 “build day”. Kathleen had done an awesome job in securing food and the volunteers to prepare and serve it. Jack worked at registration with Maxine. Brian documented the day via photos and Fred participated on a build crew. As project manager KaBoom had it choreographed perfectly. A great deal of prep (excavation and footings) had been accomplished during the preceding three days and the build day was absolutely awe inspiring. Structures were assembled and put in place without a misstep. It was like an old-fashioned barn raising. Excellent combined efforts involving Boise Parks and Rec, Albertson's, KaBoom! and SENA. The volunteer count was about 108 Albertson's employees and 92 from the community.

ACHD Applications – Susan Eastlake reported that the five applications are being processed.

Property Maintenance Standards – Fred shared information from discussions on the subject of rental and private property maintenance. Among items noted was the suggestion that owners of rental property be licensed just as business owners are and that the fees generated would be used for code enforcement. City staff is researching minimum maintenance standards that would be the same for rental and for private property. The City needs to hear from neighborhood associations. Brian will send an e-mail to the neighborhood associations that are registered with the City asking for input. Fred will search out ordinances in other communities dealing with these issues and will provide them to Whitney for her use in preparing options for consideration.

Barbara Bauer – Fred is providing support to Barbara Bauer on a history of southeast Boise. There is an event on September at the Dance Studio on Boise Avenue near Apple Street at 2 p.m.

ACHD – Bridge itself appears to be finished. No other issues for southeast Boise.

Planning & Zoning – Fred Fritchman reported:

1. Proposed variance for a sign at the Refuge restaurant on Park Center. SENA action: Oppose variance and suggest an improvement to existing wall sign.
2. Met with Jason Evans regarding the Clearwire cell tower in Our Lady of the Rosary parking lot. The height is required by the City so that it can be used for co-location. It could look like a tree but it would be an evergreen and would not blend with the exclusively deciduous that are there. Clearwire already is on the tower at Eastgate. Their use is for internet and has a limited range thus this need to serve the area. No further SENA action.

Kirk Hall reported on a pre-ap meeting for Oil Can Henry's on Apple between Walgreens and the new strip mall. This is a quick-change oil service. Concerns were expressed regarding the idling that might occur for the drive-through service.

Communications – Brian will be sending an e-mail newsletter and will include KaBoom! pictures.

Block Party - Whitney introduced the subject of a neighborhood block party such as the Hyde Park Street Fair. She will write a proposal.

Neighborhood Concerns. –

Pedestrian fatalities - Jack shared his concerns regarding the recent fatalities at Park Center Blvd. His calls to law enforcement agencies have left him less than reassured. He is strongly suggesting enforcement for drivers not stopping for pedestrians. Brian will invite ACHD engineering to a SENA meeting to discuss short enforcement and long-term planning for effective solutions.

Cat fatality – Victoria Nelson shared her experience of dogs entering her property, the sad results, and her frustrations in dealing with the system dealing with such events.

Next Meeting – Thursday, September 24, 2009 Key Bank at Park Center and Apple 7 p.m.

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Adjournment - There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Maxine Freeman