

RNA September 12, 2006 Board Meeting Minutes

President Tyler Whitmire called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The meeting agenda was distributed. Visitors and board members were welcomed and introduced. 30 people were in attendance.

Board members present: Tyler Whitmire, Sean Batty, Sue Berg, Kathleen Blevins, Nancy Fredricks, Bonnie LaDoe, Melinda Palmer, Connie Pilcher, Lauren Schmitt, Peggy Sullivan, and Catherine Wilson.

Approval of minutes August meeting: Peggy moved and Melinda seconded that the minutes of the August meeting be approved.

Treasurer's report: Melinda Palmer reported \$6,194.00 in the bank. Report attached.

Land Use: Lauren reported on all land use topics.

Skate Park: Construction is slated to begin in October. The parks department would like citizen input on Use Rules for the park. See Lauren for contact.

Big Box: First Pro (Canadian firm) submitted their application in August and met with RNA and Madison South Neighborhood Associations. Last Thursday they heard back that their application was not complete. More work needs to be completed and should be resubmitted in October. A hearing will most likely be in January. The size has been determined at 200,000 sq ft (the size of 4 city blocks), which exceeds zoning. Some environmental and traffic studies have been completed. The 26-acre site would have 20 acres of that area covered in concrete and/or asphalt. After considerable discussion the Land use committee recommends that RNA oppose this construction for several reasons, some of those being impact of traffic, size of construction in residential neighborhood, lost cost development, would be detrimental to local merchants, would provide lost pay jobs.

Sean entered a motion: Roseway opposes the proposal described in case 2006-154964-000-00-LU known as the Madison Shopping Center located at 2818 NE 82nd Avenue" This position is to be confirmed at the next general meeting.

Catherine seconded. Motion carried. A vote taken of the non-board participants at the meeting confirmed unanimously the vote of the board.

Lauren requested 3 to 5 additional volunteer to help in doing research to assemble a packet, which would extensively cover reasons why RNA opposes such construction. This packet is to be given to the city planner. Time commitment was explained. President Tyler called for an Ad Hoc group of volunteers for this committee. Jeffrey Limerick, Shannon Garcia, Dorothy Van Duyn, and Kathleen Blevins volunteered.

Roseway Parkway signs: Catherine Wilson said no report.

Catherine CNN report: Grant money is available for associations who write grants based on getting community together. She asked for some suggestions. A mural was suggested for

Gregory Heights School. Another was to expand on the International Night Out. Any grant writer must follow specific grant writing instructions.

Newsletter: Editor Jeff Selby passed around rough draft of the next issue. A name change and header design was introduced. The deadline for copy of the next issue has passed.

Web Site: Ned Howard reported on the redesign and passed around a copy of home page design (matches the newsletter). He reported he has been looking into new host service providers, as ours seems high. He passed around a sheet of comparison prices. He needs to go through the content on old site and decide what to keep and how to repackage information. Also a decision needs to be made on content management, who can be allowed to update.

Next General meeting: It will be school orientated. Sun School, school suppliers and Smart Reading Program are on the agenda.

By Laws: Tyler hopes to have them ready for the board members to pre-approve before the general meeting. He will email them to board members.

Catherine Wilson attended CNN meeting covering the Mayors Community Connection “Dream, Design, Destiny” and has a questionnaire they would like us to fill out.

Bonnie LaDoe (Historian) has an oral history with Ivan Powell finished. He lives in our area and built many of the homes. She would like to submit it as an article.

Tyler requested a show of hand if we did a calendar paid for through ad sponsors and then sells them for \$3 if meeting participants would consider buying them. Response was positive.

Nancy Fredericks thanked the Roseway board for sending flowers, her father passed away suddenly.

Tyler adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Pilcher, secretary