

RNA September 2007 Minutes

President Tyler Whitmire called the board meeting to order at 7:02 PM. 28 people were in attendance.

Board members present: Jeff Bernheissel, Kathleen Blevins, Chad Ernest, Bonnie LaDoe, Melinda Palmer, Lauren Schmitt, Jeff Selby, Peggy Sullivan, Dorothea Van Duyn, Tyler Whitmire, Catherine Wilson.

Approval of August minutes: Jeff S. moved and Melinda P. seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Melinda Palmer reported \$9715.87 in the bank.

Additions to agenda: Wellington Park update and Trees on Sandy

Current Business: Big Box

Timeline: The hearing time has been adjusted until around October 16-17 as permit application failed to post the required notification signs on the property. A permit staff report should be forthcoming in a few days.

Lawyers: Dawn Tryon and 4 other Madison South board members updated us on the need for at least two Roseway members to join their board in a unified effort between RNA and Madison South. Catherine Wilson, Dorothea and Connie volunteered to help on the Madison South board. September 25th is the next meeting and they are every two weeks.

Economist: Dawn has contacted economist services to do a study on the effects of the Big Box on property values and on businesses. Madison South has been working pretty much around the clock on this issue and requests help from RNA.

Yard Sale Signs: Sales will continue. We have about 30 left. There are several fairs and events scheduled this weekend.

Volunteer recruitment: There is an ongoing effort to get more help.

Meetings with council members: Anyone can go and meet with the RNA reps at the council meetings.

CNN update: Bill Barber, new CNN planner, introduced himself and said he could help direct us to correct contacts with governmental officials. He said he was impressed with our proactive groups. He volunteered to write another letter with our stands as 7 neighborhoods opposing the development.

Catherine Wilson reported CNN offering a \$750 grant to do a project. She also reported on the provision of \$1500 for our newsletter. We need to meet the requirement of adding a 2-month calendar.

Land Use Update: Lauren reported that all our efforts have been Big box related and there are still in-fill lot issues and unusual plat patterns that need to be addressed as time permits.

There was a discussion regarding raising our allocation of funds for the Big Box project. After much discussion, a motion was made by Catherine W. to balance our books on the

Big Box project and pay off the amounts outstanding for the lawyer, Green Light and the economist. Peggy seconded. Motion carried.

Peggy S. moved that Roseway allocate an addition \$2000.00 from our general fund to finance the Big Box expenses giving Madison South \$1500 and reserving \$500 to cover any small expenses incurred by the Roseway executive committee. Dorothea 2nd. Motion carried.

New Business:

Friday Opt Out at Glenhaven Park: 2 volunteers are needed to help pass out forms and also information on the Big Box campaign to students on Friday, Sept. 14th from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Connie P. and Lynn (new Roseway visitor) volunteered.

Roseway Heights Welcome Back Party: It is Saturday, Sept. 15th from 12 to 4. Tyler, Bonnie and Kathleen will be manning booths.

Montavilla Festival: Also Saturday, Sept 15th from 11 – 3PM, Chad and Connie will be attending.

Newsletter delivery needs volunteers: New Roseway visitors David, Marissa and Bob all volunteered to be newsletter delivery helpers.

Trees on Sandy: New neighbor John has volunteered to provide, plant and maintain new trees to be planted on the side of Fabrics For Less Store. He sought our help in dealing with the owner and needs help in planting them. RNA will look into it.

Old Business:

RNA Park Block Signs:

Tyler reported they are primed and ready to paint. Chad volunteered to finish them.

Board member election: Melinda P. is up for re-election. Melinda and Connie will look into the list of board members that are up for re-election. The slate will be open to nominations from the floor.

Wellington Park light update: Connie reported she met with and gave the paper trail to Keith Orr, City of Portland Transportation. He will now become involved and look into the request.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Pilcher, Secretary