Fairfields-Sylvan Neighborhood Association

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Minutes of the Directors Meeting

John Strange School, 7:00 pm

Board Member	Position	Term Expires	Present	Absent	
Joe Goeller	President	2012	X		
Tom Sturmer	Vice President	2012	X		
Sherry Seiwert	Treasurer	2012	X		
Ken Ingle	Secretary	2012		Х	
Barbara Hazel	Director	2013		Х	
Kathie Church	Director	2012	X		
Bill Hazel	Director	2013		Х	
Ted Hudnut	Director	2013		X	

February 15, 2012

Call to Order. President Joe Goeller called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

After calling the meeting to order, **Joe introduced our guests:** Councilor Christine Scales; DPW Project Manager Dewey Witte; and DPW Outreach Coordinator Natalie Derrickson.

Christine informed us that the Zoning Board had approved a 4-story apartment expansion at 64th & Keystone. She opposed it, but was unable to influence the vote. She vowed to continue to work with us and other local neighbors on such quality-of-life issues.

Mr. Witte and Ms. Derrickson gave us an updated timeline for the East 62^{nd} St. Multi-Use Trail. Within next 2 weeks, removal of trees will begin. There will be letters and/or notices delivered to all affected neighbors concerning the removal. At this time, DPW plans on completing its entire project by Thursday, July 12 ... weather permitting. Although right-of-way offset stakes are 40 – 45 feet into yards, the actual trail will be close to 62^{nd} Street.

Joie Woods voiced her concern that the street sign for Dearborn had been removed when the light pole was moved to accommodate the trail. Ms. Derrickson said she would inform DPW (Christine also made note of this). It was noted the bike lane markers on Allisonville have faded.

There will be changes made to bike lanes west of Keystone to make it easier to navigate through the Broad Ripple Avenue area. Guests were thanked for attending and informing our neighbors.

Minutes

Minutes for the January Meeting as posted on the FSNA website were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Sherry Seiwert reported - Beginning January balance was: \$4419.67. Income: \$0. Expenses were website maintenance through 2012 to March 2013: \$389.95. Final balance was: \$4029.72.

Crime Watch - Terry Dobson

Richard Adams, the con man, was caught again on Sunday and has been returned to jail. The police the rash of break-ins south of 62nd Street may be traced back to someone in area, possibly young people. Kathie Church mentioned a burglary that took place near Bill & Barb Hazel's home on Olney. Moral of story: Watch for suspicious cars parked in your neighborhood, and be aware of whom you have doing work on your home or property.

<u>Website Update</u> – Joe Goeller

Joe reported that a facebook page has been established on our website for interaction among neighbors. Our site has averaged 70 hits per day in February.

Old Business

February Newsletter/Annual Membership Drive – We mailed 400 newsletters to FSNA area residents, and provided about 70 newsletters for the Outreach effort.

John Strange PTO/Dad's Club – Tom Sturmer. No Report.

Dearborn-Oakland Outreach – Brian Carey (Oakland); Joie Woods and Gayle Stahl (**Dearborn**) – Joie & Gayle have distributed FSNA newsletters on Dearborn. Brian had talked to a few of his neighbors, but he did not mention distributing newsletters on Oakland Avenue. Overall, the residents of this area appear to be interested or neutral about joining FSNA, as long as there were no restrictive covenants imposed on them.

Neighborhood Survey Mailing – Tom Sturmer. We have received eight more completed forms. Still need most of the Directors to fill it out. Best to download and mail, or bring to next meeting. Tom will continue to update the Survey Results spreadsheet.

New Business

Creation of website "Members Only" page for Crime Watch news was mentioned, but will not be implemented until after the end of our March membership drive.

Process for thanking dues-paying members and issuing password – postponed.

Possible Block Party support for individual streets by FSNA – suggestion by Susan Dobson. This was not discussed as Susan was out of town on business.

Expansion of FSNA Boundaries and/or Membership – Since many of the residents of Dearborn and Oakland appear to be interested and ready to join FSNA, a vote is scheduled to expand the neighborhood association boundaries at our March 21 meeting. Approval of 2/3 of the board (6 directors) will be needed to amend the by-laws.

While only half of Directors were present due to winter vacations, the sense of board members present was that there is little opposition at this point to the proposal. We will address the issue at our March 21 meeting. Please note that 7 days notice of any proposed by-law revisions must be given to Directors before the meeting. As a side note, two residents of Dearborn have

already sent in membership dues! This bodes well for the interest in our expansion.

Attendance Drawing

Terry Dobson won the \$10 Marsh grocery drawing.

Joe Goeller adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Special Note: Tom Sturmer's two daughters were present with Girl Scout cookies for sale. They were extremely well-behaved and attentive.

Respectfully submitted, Kathie Church – for Ken Ingle, Secretary