## FAIRFIELDS-SYLVAN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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# Minutes of the FSNA Meeting John Strange School, 7:00 PM May 15, 2013

#### **Directors Present:**

Joe Goeller, President Tom Sturmer, Vice-President Sherry Seiwert, Treasurer Kathie Church, Recording Secretary Barb Hazel, Director Bill Hazel, Director

#### **Directors Absent:**

Ken Ingle, Member Secretary Ted Hudnut, Director

## **Annual Membership Meeting: Call to Order**

Joe called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM

The following Directors two-year terms expire this month: Barb Hazel, Bill Hazel, Ted Hudnut, and Tom Sturmer. Bill and Tom agreed to serve again. Barb decided to retire, and Ted (being absent) was drafted. The Board then asked if there was anyone present who would like to serve on the Board or volunteer to serve in office. There were no new volunteers.

We then considered a list of Bylaw updates . After discussion, the following actions were taken:

Article V-Membership Meetings, Section 4: Quorum.... Tabled until September. Article VIII- Officers. Section 2. Appointment, Qualifications, and Terms of Office. Amended unanimously to read "Officers may not be re-elected for more than three (3) successive terms."

ArticleVIII Officers. Section 5: Secretary.

Amended unanimously to read, "The Board of Directors may elect a Recording Secretary to keep minutes at the meetings."

Joe, Tom, Kathie, and Sherry agreed to continue in their present offices. Joe moved that election be by acclamation. Barb seconded.

Joe moved to adjourn the Membership Meeting. Kathie seconded. Meeting adjourned.

### **Public Meeting – Call to Order:**

Joe called the meeting to order at 7:38 PM.

### **Guest Speaker:**

Michelle Lanosga was introduced. She is heading the Learning Landscape Project for John Strange School. They have obtained a grant from Lowes, raised funds through the PTO, and FSNA contributed \$500. These monies will be used in two areas: the front entrance area and front sign area. She passed around 2 large renderings by a landscape design firm. All agreed that they were impressive. This should be a wonderful addition to the school and our neighborhood. There will be volunteers from John Strange school families actually working on the planting. Any help from FSNA volunteers would be welcome. On Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, the teachers and students will be involved hands on with the work. She invited anyone who is interested to stop by to monitor their progress.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Sherry reported the beginning balance for April was: \$5,780.27

Deposits: 500.00 Expenses: 752.63 End balance: \$5,527.64

### **Secretary's April 17 Minutes**

Ken Ingle's minutes are posted on the website.

#### **Crime Watch**

Tabled due to Terry Dobson's absence.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

# East 62<sup>nd</sup> Street Trail - Maintenance/Source for Trash Containers

There was much discussion on the subject of the trash containers. Some homeowners on the Trail have expressed concerns about them. Everyone present agreed that all the homeowners whose properties abut the Trail should be consulted before going forward with our discussions. In addition, the city needs to be included in any planning. Some members still have cost concerns, while others are not sure cans with advertising would

be appropriate. We felt that monitoring the Trail over the summer as regards to trash accumulation would give us a better idea on what is needed.

## **Drainage-Problem Mapping Survey – Tom Sturmer**

Tom passed out a very detailed map which he had developed from the large number of responses we had to the questionnaires we distributed to the neighborhood. This was an incredible job, and we are very grateful to Tom for all his hard work. The preliminary analysis shows problems on both private and public land. This is the beginning of a process which will continue during the coming year.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **Fire Hydrants Painting Project**

Volunteers will meet on Saturday, May 18, 9:00 AM by Tuchman Cleaners. *NOTE: Due to damp hydrants from thunderstorm on Friday, project will be re-scheduled.* 

# "Great Indy Clean-up" Flower Distribution

Joe will deliver these flowers to Annual Cleanup volunteers who signed up on FSNA list.

## 21<sup>st</sup> Independence Day Parade & Pitch-In

We will hold our Parade on Saturday, June 29 at 11AM. Kathie volunteered to organize the closing of the parking lot and setting up for the decorating of bikes including obtaining helium for balloons. She has the storage bin containing the ribbon, flags, etc. for the holiday. Joe agreed to contact Christine Scales, our City/County Rep, to join us and also to request the fire truck to visit. We will need someone who belongs to Costco or Sams to obtain the sandwiches/wraps for the Pitch-In. We voted \$250 for this event.

#### **Attendees Drawing**

Dave Tomeo won the \$10 Marsh Gift Card.

#### **Annual President's Report**

Joe passed out a report on the past years activities. This may be viewed on our website.

#### Adjourn

Joe moved to adjourn, and Kathie seconded. We adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Due to John Strange School being closed during the summer months, our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 18.