

MVNA Minutes: December 2, 2019

Attendance: Board members – Beth Hoover, Carol Elwood, Sarah Spernak, John Bennett, Jason Barber, Steve Pine / NART representative – Carolyn Clontz / Neighborhood attendees – Michelle Hogarth

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm

1. Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes – tabled until January as most members did not have time to read them as Sarah sent them late.

3. Reports:

a. Land Use – Carol – A change to code regarding density that Carol will follow up on; short-term rental request for a house on Meerkat; Petrosa master plan – this is new development by Pahlisch Homes that is technically outside of our boundary but will impact us as it is on our boundary. This is mixed-use and will have residential and business and has a school and parks. Master Plan is going to planning commission on Dec 9th at 5:30 and another meeting is on Dec. 18th at City Council work session (3 pm – 6:30); development at Connors and Tucson that will be mixed-use of medical and apartments. Carol went to that meeting and most questions were about parking.

b. NART – Carolyn – many NAs are having general meetings in November, which is taxing for City so we need to keep that in mind. Training at Deschutes Public Library on January 11 for using Instagram and linking it to Facebook. Boyd Acres NA used an invite system that allowed from RSVP before their annual meeting. Another tip was changing to a new mailing system which could save us money.

c. NLA – Beth – recap of code changes that mostly affects developers and what kind of transportation studies that must be done before a development can go in place – it would reduce the level of transportation study that must be done in terms of scope. Boundary changes for NAs is an upcoming issue. Beth suggests that we be proactive on our boundary. Also, in July Beth will be done with her term and another board member will need to take over on this. NLA meets from 4-6 on the second Tuesday of every month.

d. Transportation – David – he is not here today but Beth knows of no new news.

e. Bend Parkway – Deirdre – she is not here today but Beth reports on the survey that is online and encourages people to check out the website updates.

4. Old Business – Do we want to print the poster/card from Sharon Jacobsen. After lengthy discussion, board agrees that Beth should pursue finding cost information and return to the topic next meeting.

5. Action Items – Welcome of new board member and review of board roles. Beth requests that someone step into updating website/social media job as it is taking much longer than originally thought. Also, Beth will be stepping down from chair at our next election so someone else will need to be thinking about taking over as chair. Discussion regarding the website updates and social media accounts – how much time should we be putting into that and do we want to

either cap the amount of time spent on that weekly or do we want to pay someone to update the website? Decision made to follow up with this topic at another meeting.

6. General Membership Meeting –

a. About 49 new people came to the meeting that had never attended before and all were added to the email list.

b. Update and clarification on the widening of NE 27th - Beth wonders how we should disseminate the information to our neighbors. An email or NextDoor or added to the minutes? Sarah again wonders how they define “widening 27th”. Sarah will put the email into the minutes of this meeting.

7. Petrosa Master Plan – 1100 single-family homes, apartments, commercial, school, and a park – 179 acres. It will be similar to NW Crossing in terms of a planned development. Carol has created a response that our MVNA approves of the development plan but that we would like to go on record with the City to have boundaries of all NAs be redrawn to better reflect equitable size. Group approves of Carol’s statement and she will finalize and submit to planning/City.

8. Follow-up on NSSP – we need to write response/thank you letters and send one to each person who submitted an application. Each board member will take about 7 thank you letters. Beth is sending assignments out this week.

9. Winter and a Good Samaritan Program – do we want to start one of those? NextDoor is probably the best resource for finding help. Let’s get some positive messages posted that remind people to ask for help. Also, posting reminders about clearing sidewalks.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Next meeting January 27th at Higher Ground at 6 pm.