

Sedgefield Neighborhood Association Board Meeting

January 14, 2014

Attendees: Debby Robinson, Janelle Travis, Katie Zender, Michael Seaton, Lauren Lewis, Liz Porter, Davis Newton

Guests: Jamie McLawhorn of Marsh Properties, Sebastian Marth, neighbor
Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM

MEETING TOPICS & ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

Treasurer's Report: \$3,115.35 in SNA bank account. About 8 paid memberships for 2014 so far.

Guest, Jamie McLawhorn from Marsh Properties

Jamie discussed his plans for the Sedgefield Shopping Center and the area immediately behind it. Overall, Marsh Properties will be slowly developing a 60-acre site. The shopping center will still be one-story (although it may be designed to look taller) with parking behind it. High-density multi-family would be built immediately behind the shopping center up to Haverford Place. Further development of the other duplexes/apartments would be part of Phase Two and at a lower density than Phase 1. All units will be rental.

The timing is for them to file for re-zoning in March. Construction could begin 4th quarter of 2014 with new properties open in early 2016 if all goes smoothly.

Jamie would come back to a board meeting after the re-zoning petition has been filed, to share plans and more details.

Guest, Sebastian Marth, Sedgefield neighbor, attended to talk about adding streetlights throughout the neighborhood. He had attended a Crime Watch meeting, asked about street lights and was urged to find out more and suggest locations. He contacted CDOT and talked with Todd Huss, asking about new lights and giving him some possible locations – Poindexter, Marsh, Sunset. Todd Huss says he would reach out to Duke Energy, then fill out an "Association packet" and get it to us. Next a notification goes out to homeowners. The city covers costs, Duke would install using NIP funds.

Board members are to walk their streets and email Sebastian with street name and block numbers where lighting is needed. Sebastian.Marth@gmail.com

CDOT Update

- Debby told us that **CDOT** will replace the weight restriction signs on Marsh Road and the police will monitor.
- From discussions with Chip, he says traffic studies in our area are old and he believes we need a study NOW as a benchmark for increases when all the new units on S. Blvd are leased.
- Question: could we get cross-walks painted?
- Discussion: we should start working towards an "identity" such as our logo on the cross-walks or speed bumps. One option: Liz met a neighbor who would be interested in re-designing our logo, and she will pursue further.
- We talked about Barkley and stop signs. The consensus was to add one more stop sign at Wriston and Marsh, dependent on traffic study.

Next Meeting is February 11th and is a General Meeting

Speakers and topics:

- Debby has confirmed Chip from CDOT attending
- Matt will talk about crime stats.
- We will begin meeting with food and conversation, if possible.
- Michael Seaton to be “time keeper” to block out and control time allocations for each activity and/or speaker.

Newsletter Articles –

- **Letter from the President** – Debbie
- **Zoning Update** – Katie Zender
- **Sedgefield Shopping Center** – Update on development plans, re-zoning, Katie Zender
- **Neighborhood Business Spotlight** – David Newton to write about Urban Pet
- **Neighborhood Sports** – David Newton to write about spring signups for sports
- **Arts Grant / Playground** – Katie Zender
- **Labels** – Question about labels and our boundary lines, especially for those who live on the Sedgefield Park side of Ideal Way? Chris Werte at 404 Ideal Way is not receiving newsletters. Michael Seaton to get those addresses and send to Debby/David, but he disputes the boundary.
- **Folding:** Tuesday, 21st at Debby’s house, 7PM

Committee Reports

Neighborhood Watch/Crime Committee

January meeting cancelled, will be rescheduled.

Social Events Committee

- **Sedgefest Timing** – Last year was May 11th. This year we decided on May 3rd.
- We decided NOT to do a neighborhood clean-up.
- Debby has Admin access to our Facebook page but it is private and she’s having trouble getting that changed.

Zoning & Land Use Committee

- Committee has attended three re-zoning meetings recently. Summary article about then provided for November newsletter.
- CHA Update? None.

Membership Committee

Janelle (and board) received membership list from Candace and she will be collecting dues, soliciting new members.

Mom’s Group

- Janelle talked to Karen Willis about heading up this group but she declined. Instead, she is doing a Kid’s Gardening session at the church.

School Neighborhood Playground Committee

- SNA “won” Arts Grant for new public art on Marsh Road at the elementary school. More details to follow.
- Janelle & Katie will be meeting with Ivy Gill to talk about the Art Grant and playground ideas. Also, a survey has been set up on Survey Monkey to ask teachers about their ideas for the playground, if Ivy is agreeable.
- Liz is currently attending monthly parent’s meetings at Sedgefield Elementary and Lauren will try to assist.

Sedgefield Elementary Playground Neighborhood/Park Committee

No update at this time.

Meeting adjourned about 8:50 PM.

*All meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month except December when there is no meeting.
Dates for 2013 General Meetings are: February 11th, August 13th and November 12th.
SedgeFest will be held May 3rd this year.*