

North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association  
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**Board of Directors Meeting**  
July 12, 2016, 6:30 pm  
First Texas Honda 3400 Steck Ave.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Amelia Cobb conducted the meeting. Secretary Barbara Gaston recorded the proceedings. Others present were Vice President Sarah Brandon, Treasurer Donna Eagar; Board Members Sharon Justice, Kenneth Webb, Lauren Werchan, Mike Yetter, Ernie Garcia, and Jeri Wines.

**II. APPROVAL OF 6/21/16 BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Sharon Justice (Mike Yetter) moved that the minutes be approved as read. Motion carried.

**III. VACANCY ON BOARD CREATED BY VANNEZSA SMITH'S RESIGNATION**

Donna Eagar (Sarah Brandon) moved that Jeri Wines be appointed to the board to fill the vacancy. Motion carried. Vannezsa will continue to work with NSCNA's Facebook account.

**IV. TREASURER'S REPORT BY DONNA EAGAR**

**A. 1. New members**

As of July 4, NSCNA has 70 member households, 10 of whom joined at the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration.

One male new member does not live in our neighborhood. His status will be changed to associate member without voting rights. Donna will inform him of this change.

According to NSCNA bylaws a NSCNA member must live within NSCNA boundaries.

Associate members are defined as individuals or organizations who support NSCNA. They have no voting rights.

The Board of Directors sets the cost of dues.

It was decided that the Bylaws Committee will address the question as to whether associate members can serve on committees.

**2. CURRENT BALANCE IN RESERVE FUND (\$25,000 with interest)**

Slightly over \$7,000.00 interest has been earned. This money is in RBFCU.

**B. RBFCU CONTRACT EXPIRED ON MAY 31,2016**

Sharon Justice reported that for many years RBFCU has paid NSCNA \$1200.00 a year for a half-page ad in every newsletter and in return they have a link to NSCNA website. The contract with RBFCU expired on 5/31/16, and NSCNA has not received any more payments since 5/31/16. Numerous telephone attempts to discuss renewal of the contract with RBFCU personnel have been unsuccessful. Calls have not been returned. No money has been received from RBFCU since 5/31/16. NSCNA has depended on the \$1200.00 to defray newsletter expenses. RBFCU is no longer in the neighborhood, and it might be a good idea to approach University Federal Credit Union (UFCU), who is in our neighborhood, for corporate sponsorship.

The board, by general consensus, decided to no longer pursue RBFCU for corporate sponsorship.

Sarah Brandon (Mike Yetter) moved that the Media Committee pursue multiple or single sponsorships, to include UFCU, on the NSCNA website. Motion carried.

**VI. NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN PROCESS: UPDATE AND LESSONS LEARNED**

Amelia Cobb said that Jeff Engstrom is planning to schedule these meetings at Pillow School. Amelia and Sharon Justice attended a recent city council meeting regarding this issue. It is vital that neighborhood associations become involved throughout the planning process.

The Neighborhood Plan requires a contact team after the plan is presented.

Amelia recommended that Chip Rosenthal and Randy Alexis be part of the contact team.

**VI. NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERING PROGRAM: NEXT STEPS**

This type of project encourages promotion of each neighborhood's unique character.

It requires bundling all our ideas and plans into one application. The city will match funds on an individual plan basis.

**A. DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING** is scheduled for 7/23/16 at North Village Library 12:30-2:30 pm.

**B. TASK FORCE**

Amelia Cobb appointed the following people to be on a task force that will meet on 7/19/16 at 6:30 pm to plan the 7/23/16 meeting. They are as follows: Amelia Cobb, Kevin Wier, Sharon Justice, Sarah Brandon, Mike Yetter, and Lauren Werchan.

**VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. BEAUTIFICATION**

Sarah Brandon reported that she and Mary Jane Wier met with community garden coordinator Meredith Gray. The garden site will be at the SW corner of Pillow School. It will be a combination of vegetables, native plants, flowers, trees and nature habitat. Sarah and Mary Jane will meet with the Pillow School principal on Thursday to discuss Pillow School student participation and an irrigation system. This project will need the approval of the NSCNA board, general membership, Pillow School Principal Hill, and the school board. They plan to request nonprofit support from an organization such as Sustainable Foods Center. NSCNA needs to demonstrate a need for the project. Sweat equity that goes into the project will help defray expenses. An approval letter must be included with the application. Plans are for the project to be voted upon by the general membership at the September meeting in time to present the application in October.

The second proposed project is a dog park to be located at the NW corner of Pillow School. This will also be discussed with Principal Hill. The park will be closed during school hours. AISD needs to approve this too.

Donna Eagar (Amelia Cobb) moved that the NSCNA board support a community garden at the SW corner of Pillow School. Motion carried.

**B. TRAFFIC**

Mike Yetter reported that he has not received any complaints about traffic in our neighborhood.

**C. SOCIAL**

Amelia Cobb reported an interest in presenting a neighborhood outdoor movie. The equipment would cost about \$150.00. Jeri Wines said that she could provide a screen. No decision was made on this.

**D. SAFETY**

Amelia Cobb reported that people sponsoring /hosting Neighborhood Night Out on the first Tuesday in October should notify Roger Wines.

Sharon Justice said that she had received an email from Leslie Pearlman asking how the homeless situation under the 183 bypass could be handled. No decision was made at this time.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. 1. RESOLUTION FOR BOARD VOTING BETWEEN MEETINGS**

Kenneth Webb reported that Roberts Rules requires face-to-face meetings. Anything the board votes on can be brought back for reconsideration. All votes are to be recorded in the minutes.

**2. BYLAWS**

Kenneth Webb presented a resolution concerning Board of Directors voting by email or telephone. The Board discussed this but tabled voting on a resolution.

**B. NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

The bylaws require that a special nominating committee be elected by October 1, and at the previous general meeting an announcement be made requesting all interested

**C. WEBSITE REVISIONS**

Kenneth Webb reported that big changes/updates have been made to the operating system and software. Suggestions are welcome as to what anyone would like to do on the website. Contact Kenneth or Jennifer.

**D. Kenneth Webb said that the November bond election will involve plans for sidewalks. He sent an email with this information to board members. Lots of 311 calls are about sidewalks.**

The Transportation Department Corridor is separate from the Burnet/Lamar Corridor plans.

**E. BOARD MEETING DATES**

8/16; 9/20; 10/18; 11/15; 12/132.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT AT 8 PM**

