

North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association  
P.O. Box 66443  
Austin, Texas 78766-0443  
General Membership Meeting  
6:30 pm, March 7, 2017  
Pillow Elementary School Library

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Amelia Cobb conducted the meeting and Secretary Barbara Gaston recorded the proceedings.

**II. INTRODUCTIONS**

Attendees were asked to introduce themselves and to give their address and favorite vegetable.

**III. REVIEW OF MINUTES OF JANUARY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Donna Eagar (Sharon Justice) moved that minutes be approved with changes. Motion carried.

**IV. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Lois McEvoy reported that NSCNA accounts have been changed from RBFCU to Austin TELCO. RBFCU no longer sponsors NSCNA, and would have charged for each transaction. Austin TELCO does not charge such fees. Lois presented Balance Sheets for the NSCNA checking and savings accounts.

NSCNA has 47 Household Memberships.

Nineteen of those households were represented by attending this meeting.

**V. UPDATE ON COMMUNITY GARDEN AND NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (NPP)**

Sarah Brandon reported that NPP approved NSCNA's application in full. Projects include traffic calming; beautification of the bridge on Steck near KVUE; new sidewalks; and the community garden. Work preparing the garden needs to be completed by October. The next planning meeting for the garden will be on March 14. NSCNA needs people to work on these projects. All levels of skills are welcome. Flags marking the 22 garden beds have been placed. Please email Sarah at [gardenchair@NSCNA.org](mailto:gardenchair@NSCNA.org) for more information on how you can help with the garden.

**VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. BEAUTIFICATION** Mary Jane Wier reported there are no definite dates as to when work will begin on the bulb-out on Rockwood south of Steck.

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- B. DEVELOPMENT** Kevin Wier reported that work is proceeding on NSCNA's neighborhood plan. The Development Committee met with city staff on 3/6/17 to request two or three additional meetings for the purpose of reaching a final understanding between city staff and neighborhood residents as to how we want our neighborhood to be in the future. City staff have agreed to one more meeting, date and place to be determined. City council second reading of the Austin Oaks development was scheduled for last week, but was postponed until 3/23/17.
- C. MEDIA** Sharon Justice reported that the newsletter is scheduled for distribution 3/19-20/17.
- D. SOCIAL** Tara Lane Bowman reported that the NSCNA Garage Sale will be on 4/29/17. Pillow School may coordinate with NSCNA on the Garage Sale activities. She said that volunteers will be most welcome for the July 4 celebration and the December Luminaria Walk.
- E. TRAFFIC** Mike Yetter reported that the single lane that turns right from Hwy 183 onto Burnet Rd. may be changed. There is a proposal to add a second (additional) turn lane unto Burnet Rd. A meeting regarding this will be held at Waterloo restaurant at 7 pm on next Tuesday.
- F. MEMBERSHIP** Brian Brandon reported that he has contacted persons who have expressed interest in being a part of this group. A definite time for the committee to meet has not yet been established.
- G. SAFETY** Roger Wines reported that National Night Out (NNO) will be on 10/1/17. He can share information with anyone who would like to host an event for a NNO party. Arrangements for police, fire, and EMS personnel visits to specific addresses can be made in advance. Crosswalks at Steck/Stillwood are needed.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

A member expressed concern over erroneously high water bills. Since this does not seem to affect a majority of residents in NSCNA, Amelia Cobb suggested that complainants report such problems to her and to 311.

**VIII. CODE NEXT PRESENTATION BY STEVEN ZETTNER, OUR REPRESENTATIVE TO CITIZEN'S ADVISORY GROUP**

Mr. Zettner explained the process of rewriting the city zoning code; the structure of the new proposed zones; and the implications of the new zoning. The current (old) system of *zoning* defines what types of structures can be built on a property based on the *use* of the property. The new system of *transects* addresses property use based primarily upon *density*. Transects may encompass several zones. A *transect zone* is a term commonly used and *understood* by developers.

Mr. Zettner presented the Code Next Time Line:

Code Next Open House	3/25 & 4/1/17
Release of Draft Mapping	4/17/17 (applying new zones to actual properties)
Report released	June, 2017
Public Hearings at City Council	December, 2017
City Council Adoption Vote	April, 2018

Code Next will not solve affordability. Most proposed apartment units are small, which excludes many families. As multi-bedroom housing drops below 70%, it becomes hard for middle income communities to have balanced demographics. Code Next plans are highly skewed toward efficiency and one-bedroom units.

A 2012 AISD report on Pillow School revealed that 20% of the children attending Pillow live within the boundaries of NSCNA. Most live North of Braker Lane. New school boundaries may put Pillow at risk if more family houses are built northwest of Braker.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT** at 7:55 pm.

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