



WGNA Board Meeting Minutes

July 23, 2016

7:00-9:30PM

Willow Glen Library, Community Room

1157 Minnesota Ave, San Jose, CA 95125

President: Richard Zappelli

Vice President: C Jeffrey Stanley

Secretary: Elizabeth Z Estensen

Treasurer: Matt Friske

Board Members: Christine Barold, Kristen Brown, Harvey Darnell, Archie Moore, Ed Rast, Soren Riice

Present: Richard Zappelli, Jeffrey "Jeff" Stanley, Harvey Darnell, Ed Rast, Christine Barold, Matt Friske, Kristen Brown. 27 ppl present in audience.

Absent: Kristen Brown

Call to order 7:15pm

Minute Approval

Elizabeth: Motion to approve meeting minutes of June 26, 2016

Richard: Second

Approved

Treasurers' Report

Matt: Financial transition has completed, renew insurance for WGNA, catch up on past due and reconcile accounts, memory books ordered and purchased. Left to do is get cap grant extended 2014, \$1500 from City we need expenditures to reconcile. We agreed to \$10 credit with each new household member at Hicklebee's. Hicklebee will be a sponsor for the History books

New Board Member

Soren Riise, moved to the neighborhood in 2008, has a background in computer science and has a true appreciation for the neighborhood. Volunteering his skills for WGNA

Ed: Motion to appoint new board member Soren Riise

Archie: Second

Approved

Volunteer Opportunities

Ed: Need volunteers for the following (*don't sign up for more than 2 committees*). This list will also be set up on WGNA.net, WGNA Facebook page. Email at wgna.net/volunteer each committee has its' own yahoo group;

- **History Committee:** research local history; WGNA history book; historic bicycle and walking tours, partnership with California Pioneers of Santa Clara County, and PAC-SJ.
- **Planning and Land Use Committee:** planning and land use; and proposed development. Examples: Evans Lane; Willow Street Park Improvements; Del Monte Park Soccer Fields.
- **Public Safety and Transportation:** road diet improvements; California High Speed Rail; traffic calming; fire prevention; San Jose Fire Stations 6, 30, 33 and 37; police; emergency medical services (EMS); emergency services response times (fire, police, EMS, etc); San Jose Airport; bike routes and safety; public trails; emergency preparedness and disaster response.
- **Communications Committee:** Member Newsletter; WGNA.net website; Facebook; and events promotion with other WGNA Committees.
- **Education Committee:** School safety pedestrian crosswalks; crossing guards; Safe Routes To School (Sponsorship).
- **Events Committee:** art; candidate forums; public policy forums; Willow Glen Founders Day Parade; partnerships with WGBA and History Committee; tree Planting partner Our City Forest; Los Gatos Creek partner with Friends of Los Gatos Creek; Blight to Bright neighborhood cleanups; graffiti removal.

Matt: It's important to get involved in these groups to give advice to the board on recommendations.

Richard: Get involved quickly to have a voice, i.e., Lincoln Avenue Road Diet, Minnesota Avenue traffic during school secessions - we'll see the difference.

Ed: Motion - important committee structure need to change the meeting dates, question to the audience: What day 2nd Thursday or the 4th Thursday?

Archie: Second
Approved

Ed: Motion to change meeting to 2nd Thursday for Board Meeting starting as of September

Special Committee is the 4th Thursday as of September
Board will still meet August 26th, 2016

Archie: Second

All in favor: Approved

7:50pm Presentation on Bramhall Park aka Willow Street Park by David Zappelli

Presentation available at WGNA.net

8:46 presentation ended open to questions/comments

Terrance (Glendale Drive 18yrs) - Plans in the works have been communicated, existing snack shack limited amenities funding has been tied up into the trestle, only 1 bid to build. \$1.2 mil pay fees and permits used for multiple groups / little league to furnish building

Jeff - wants to know cost on a cement building should not be at \$600 per square foot

Doug Brook, Shakespeare in the park manager - Unaware of concessions stand being built and neighborhood complaints that there is a noise problem with Shakespeare in the Park

Neighbors are saying that Shakespeare goes too late and makes too much noise.

Shakespeare rehearses all week long. Abuse of rehearsal time.

Jeff - we are here to inform you so you can tell us the issues and the Board can take Action

David Zappelli - Construction on Willow Street Park begins this fall

Ed - Next rules mtg is Wed of next week ask to take this item to take this off of the agenda - over reach

Elizabeth - Motion to take this collectively by WGNA to the City Council.

Katy Dickensen - Setup email communication same as NE Willow Glen has with the Assyrian Hall to keep neighbors informed (has worked well). WGNA should do the same so that the neighbors can weigh in on the issues of the neighborhood.

Doug - Shakespeare never violated curfew

Action item

Ed: Motion WGNA go to rules and discuss - yes we agree that it needs to go forward to mitigation discussion on use.

Archie: Second

Harvey: Opposed

*Jeff - asked for it in writing from Ed
planning committee to work with the special interest meeting, have it delayed*

*Terrence - please don't impede the little league.
Brendan Perelli - Show up to the rules committee*

Richard: Motion to adjourn

Ed: Second

Meeting adjourned 9:27pm