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MINUTES

12-18-08

GENERAL MEETING STONEHURST SCHOOL

BART PAUL PRESIDENT	BOARD MEMBERS
BILLY HAYES VP ADMINISTRATION	CILE BORMAN
CRIS HUGHES VP COMMUNICATIONS	FRITZ BRONNER
KEVIN DAVIS TREASURER	ERWING DAVIS
ROYAN HERMAN RECORDING SECRETARY	DALE GIBSON
NANCY WOODRUFF CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY	CHERYL GRESLIE
	JOHN BLUE HERGET
	TERRY KAISER
	KEN KEEBLE
	KRISTIN SABO

A. Call to Order 7:10 pm. Pledge of Allegiance yes Roll Call - Present = Kevin Davis, Nancy Woodruff, Bart Paul, Terry Kaiser, Billy Hays, Erwing Davis, Dale Gibson, Cile Borman, Kris Sabo, Ken Keeble, Royan Herman, Cris Hughes, Fritz Bronner. Absent = Cheryl Greslie and John Blue.

B. Remarks from public representatives:

- Grayce Liu - After 2009 NC bylaws not finalized will be standardized by City mandate. Grayce leaves us as of this evening to be replaced by Barry Stone.
- Barry Stone - Two announcements (a) wants budget surveys completed. (b) Board members need to complete ethics training.

C. Public Comment on non-agenda items:

- Elektra Kruger - Flooding: Green Streets is non-flood program. SHPOA plans to learn more. Will keep us informed. Jan. 13 at SHPOA meeting.
- Mike O'Gara - President of SVNC - Thanks Athens meeting attendees. Jan. 26 is last day for public comments in re deir for addition of solid waste disposal.

D. Approval and possible corrections of Nov. 20, General Meeting minutes:

- Mary Geyer wants inclusion of her request for board to address financial disclosure docs and for board to take a position.
- Friendly amendment in re time for bylaw changes was for one hour.
(Changes above made to Nov. 2008 minutes)

E. Discussion and possible action responding to a complaint from Mali Bakhtar:

- Bart reads letter template from City attorney intended to avoid potential liability.
- Terry Kaiser motion to approve letter as written by City Attorney. Kris Sabo seconds.
- Billy Hays remind Board that city attorney also recommends that no letter at all could be best course of action. If letter to be sent, Billy would like to have it written by Royan Herman.

Motion to mail Ciy Attorney template letter carries with 9 pro and 4 against.

F. Presentation on the proposed expansion at the Athens Disposal site – Bill Eick (15 min)

- Dale Thrush speaks instead of Bill Eick – Athens predecessor, American Waste Disposal was often out of compliance with waste disposal requirements. Athens is now seeking what is a fairly new State license with requirements for dealing with solid waste disposal. SVNC is

- Aware of potential problems from local Athens operations. Athens CUP is ambiguous in re tons of waste. City has no voice in State license process, but has CUP regulatory power. Opponents of Athens solid waste processing are anxious to bring Athens regulation back into City arena. Nic Brown, ZA in letter states that solid waste processing that American Waste wanted to do and which Athens now wants to do, was addressed and permitted in their 2002 CUP. Dale Thrush hopes to prove this incorrect.

G. Discussion and possible action to approve Changes to FTDNC Bylaws:

- Motion by Billy Hays, seconded by Ken Keeble to pass bylaw changes as submitted.
- Ken Keeble and Nancy Woodruff state that changes worthy and acceptable.
- Linda Greco does not want board to address changes individually. Wants package vote.
- Visitor from Silverlake NC. Offers to help us through changes if we wish.
- Mark Segal, Pres, of STNC states that new bylaw recommendations are more mature than earlier versions.
- Fritz Bronner has questions: (1) Changes attempt to micromanage. (2) VP Admin: what does manage mean. (3) Section D states 3 stakeholders - refine definition. (4) Changes could prevent new committee members due to personal angst. (5.) Rules to govern the Board and committees establishes Rules and Elections as NC military police committee. (6) New Exec Board position, adds Corresponding Secretary which makes even number. Is this a problem? (7) Define three communities. (8) Should Outreach Committee be apportioned according to area geography or population? (9) Lower case b through d comments should be moved up to precede generalities. (10) In re officer resignation, add by letter electronic communication (11) Typo. (12) Work on Standing Rules. We have none.
- Linda Greco responses extracted from new bylaws draft.
- Royan Herman - concerned about conflict or contradiction: If Executive Board/ recommended to become Committee must meet to create agendas as part of a Darren Martinez recommended joint Exec/Gen. Board meeting, who votes on what? A general board meeting has quorum requirements or does the Rules and Elections Committee want to alter general meeting procedures in order to facilitate completion of agendas??
- Silverlake NC guest says we box ourselves in by requiring 3 members to make a committee when a committee can just as well be made up of one or two interested parties.
- Ken Keeble calls the question, but after pleas by Board members for more time for discussion and education, agrees to withdraw if board will agree to 2 hours for discussion and action of bylaws changes at the next FTDNC general meeting.

Motion fails. Ken Keeble asks for reconsideration at the next meeting.

DUE TO TIME CONSTRAINTS, BALANCE OF MEETING HAS BEEN POSTPONED. THE PRIME TOPIC OF OUR MEETING IN JANUARY WILL AGAIN BE BY LAW CHANGES.

- ~~1. The FTDNC Board: the addition of a Community Interest Representative.~~
- ~~2. Ex-Officio Members~~
- ~~3. Officer's duties: mandating DONE training; mandating yearly election of officers~~
 - ~~a. President: requires majority vote of Exec. Committee for setting agendas; responsibility for posting; board approval before speaking to the press or public.~~
 - ~~b. VP Administration: chair R&E Committee; manage the office.~~
 - ~~c. VP Comm. Chair the Outreach Committee; oversee website~~
- ~~4. Executive Board — eliminate section~~

~~5. Committees: formal membership request to Rec. Secty. within 45 days;~~

~~a. Standing Committees~~

~~i. Treasurer chair of Budget and finance~~

~~ii. R&E oversight of committees~~

~~iii. Land use defined~~

~~iv. Exec. Comm. — add Corresponding Secty. — add vote on agenda rather than consult; recommend to board (not DONE) on hiring and firing staff.~~

~~v. Outreach — add members from each community~~

~~vi. Equestrian defined~~

~~b. Committees reformed after yearly officer elections~~

~~6. Termination/resignation~~

~~a. board member may resign in writing to Pres. or Recording Secty. (Billy Hays — 30 min.)~~

~~H. COMMITTEE REPORTS (20 minutes)~~

~~1. Finance Committee — Treasurer's report (Kevin Davis)~~

~~a. Discussion and possible action to spend \$5,000 as matching funds for Phase II of the Stonehurst "Pathway through the Community" project. (Kevin Davis)~~

~~2. Land Use (Nancy Woodruff)~~

~~a. Discussion and possible action to approve a letter to CDs 2 and 6 requesting an ordinance and memo of agreement between the city and Arakanian Enterprises~~

~~3. Outreach (Cris Hughes)~~

~~4. Lopez Canyon subcommittee (Marlene Rader)~~

~~5. Equestrian committee (Royan Herman) No December meeting.~~

~~I. Discussion and possible action to approve a resolution opposing Proposition B on the March 3, 2009 ballot. (see text of complete resolution - Billy Hays 5 min.)~~

~~J. President's announcements~~

~~K. Comments from the FTDNC Board (two minutes only)~~

~~L. Adjournment~~

Meeting adjourned at 9:35pm