

SASY Neighborhood Association
Council Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2012
Goodman Center – 6:30 - 8:45 pm
<http://www.sasyna.org/>

- 1) Introductions /quorum – Present:** Randy Roden, Melanie Foxcroft, Catherine Stephens, Brad Hinkfuss, Doug Johnson, Gary Karch, John tSeines-note taker, Twink-Jan McMahon, Lou Host-Jablonski, Margo Tiedt, Betty Chewing, Lance Green, Sarah Williams;
- Guests** -- Ann Walker, Larry Jensen, Larry Gifford, Tim Wong, Matthew Miller, Royston Morgan, Donna Magdalena, Peter Gentry and friend; Rep Chris Taylor.
- Excused:** Ken Fitzsimmons, Michael Barrett.

2) Approval of previous meeting minutes – not done.

3) Additions/corrections to agenda. None

4) Invited Guests

- a.** Peter Gentry, One Barrel Brewing Company – possible new Brew Pub at 2001 Atwood: Came to speak about nano/micro brewery (about 13 cases, variety of award winning brew) at Schenk’s Corner 2001 Atwood Ave. Has been working with Marsha Rummel and will have public meetings. Has meet with most businesses in area and they seem agreeable. Limited hours planned: Brewing 9 am – 3 pm, & open for business from 4 pm – midnoc. Singer songwriter type music; not amplified; capacity ~ 49; food partners – Stalzy’s & Frabonis plus standard salty bar food. Square footage ~1200. Class B liquor license – so w=some wine will be included and nonalcoholic drinks avail. Probably open 6 days a week. Hope to sign lease this week and probably open in July, 2012.
- b.** Clean Lakes Alliance - item not addressed.

5) Meeting topics to discuss

SASY Events

Mayor Forum follow-up and action steps:

Motion by Betty, Second by Twink for each of committees to come forward with action plan that addresses items within their purview and propose those actions at April Council meeting. Passed unanimously.

Questions topics: MKC (KIPP); Water Quality; Garver; North Plat; Union Corners; Airport Noise; Roads/Paving; Busses; Infill - older neighborhoods.

- i. SASY Annual Spring Meeting (Catherine/Margo/Sarah): April 19, 6-8 pm -- Check in, get food, get settled (15 min); Welcome and Introductions (5 min); SASY environs, and gearing up to create a new Neighborhood Plan (Brad Hinkfuss) 15 minutes; Ken Bradbury from UW Extension "where does your water come from / understanding the local aquifer" (30 minutes); Vote on revision to SASY bylaws for e-voting by council (5 minutes); Nomination of area reps / special reps (30 minutes); Question and discussion (10 minutes); Social time and dessert (10 minutes);

1. Update, Tasks, PR plan: Annual meeting is planned for April 19, 6-8 pm, with format similar to last year. Even numbered seats are up for election in geographical caucus format. Ken Bradbury, hydrologist, is guest speaker. Brad H will pull together a short presentation on neighborhood planning and council will invite planning staff to future council meeting. PR help needed – Communications committee will help, plus each council member is expected to recruit individuals to attend. Seeking potluck to feed 50-70 people. Sarah Williams will create and coordinate contribution list (x # slices of meat, bread, condiments, veggies, cider. Noted that catered event also requires work. Dishwashers will be Sarah Williams, John Steines, and Betty Chewning. Sarah W, Margo, Catherine and Melanie will continue planning details. Communications Committee will meet soon to plan publicity outreach.

ii. SASY Council retreat / workshop (Sarah)

6) Kipp update - Gary Karch and Kipp committee

Since last council meeting, MKC committee met with Dane County Executive Joe Parisi, Sen Fred Risser and secured their support. Fred Risser had many positive suggestions. Met with Rep Chris Taylor and Alder Marsha Rummel. Recruited support from Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters and seeking support from Sierra Club – all in advance for potential press conference. Met with Brynn Beamis, city hydrologist, who is attempting – on her own time, to draw a 3-d cross sectional map of contamination plume. Insufficient reference points exist to adequately and securely finalize at this time. Discussed coordination with MEJO; seeking data copy from MEJO files. WORT interested and reserving program for April 12.

Schmoeller reports DNR will take on responsibility of sampling, and not wait for MKC to do sampling. Any property which backs up to MKC can have mitigation system installed. Soils vapor probes will be placed along bike path. MKC given timely period to complete tasks and if not completed, DNR will complete and charge MKC. Will do split samplers and send to different labs. Ad hoc discussing distributing fliers to homes and assisting with sign up for residents. General impression is city and DNR are now taking things very seriously (including discussions with John Hausbeck – City Health Dept, Mike Schmoeller - DNR, Brynn Beamis – city hydrology).

In the end, goal is transparent process with SASY at table with Health Dept, DNR, MKC, Water Utility resolving problem. Well 8 issue related. Transducers placed on MKC probes moved a foot or more when test run of well 8 was done. DNR acknowledges all sites can not be completely cleaned up. In those cases, a deed-like restriction is placed on properties noting contamination record. Different approaches include anaerobic approach of injection molasses and bio materials in which bacteria will use PCE as breakdown component in decomposition. Ozone injection is another approach and is what has been tried so far. Clearly understood that contamination has moved off site. Soil replacement will be done at surface for surface contamination. Chris Taylor to Linda Hensel, requests written plan with timeline, but plan may need approval from governor. DNR now wants to communicate with SASY.

Suggest identifying science background members of committee – Lance & Matt as contacts. Gary is doing a beautiful job as chair but acknowledges not having science background. Also, planning to invite DNR staff to SASY meetings for 10-15 minute update each month to build accountability. Chris Taylor is also setting up meeting with DOJ.

We recognize that negotiations with DOJ & MKC are treated confidentially, but is method of applying additional pressure.

- 7) **SASY PR campaign - Communications Committee -- A) Item postponed from February meeting** "Are you SASY? You are SASY!" Signs to be placed in council member yards, Cost is \$3 per sign approx with goal of 3 signs per council member.

Motion by Betty C, second by Twink J to approve \$300 in funds for printing & materials (bank account about \$1900) and allow design team to finalize text. Passed unanimously.

Randy Roden will help with geo-tagging. Assembly team needed for signs and goal is that they be in yards within two weeks. After they are up, an additional colorful cline can go on announcing annual meeting. Donna Magdalena willing to help on design items with Lou and Sarah. B) SASY Retreat – Sarah encourages several people to read "SWITCH: How To Change Things When Things Are Hard" and consider a workshop retreat for council to build capacity and effectiveness. Betty will check Avols for used copies. Is avail in Library. Sarah will repost link. Plan to follow up.

- 8) **Development Projects – - postponed to April meeting**

- a. The City has a Neighborhood Grant Program geared towards enhancement, capacity-building and planning grants. P&D members share ideas re: possible project.
- b. Demolition permit for the residential home @ 214 Marquette St.

- 9) **Transportation Committee update**

- a. Report from Monday March 5 meeting -- *committee continues to meet on issues informally.*

Review committee charge – Charge presented as --

The mission of the SASY Transportation Committee is to promote a safe, sustainable, walkable & bikeable neighborhood. The committee will work with residents of the SASY neighborhood, SASY businesses, city staff & elected representatives to identify, educate, develop policy and evaluate implementation & results regarding:

- * Short & long-range transportation infrastructure needs;
- * Proposed and planned projects, impacts & issues;
- * Transportation-related values, priorities and needs of residents & businesses

The committee will serve as the initial consultation for transportation-related design, development, construction & repair in the neighborhood: infrastructure, pedestrian, bicycle, mass-transit, motor vehicle & snow removal. *The committee will make recommendations to the SASY Council.*

Motion by Lance to create committee and approve charge as written. Seconded by Melanie. After lengthy discussion of multimodal needs of senior, disabled and other citizens, 'multi-model' was agreed to be added into first sentence so that vehicular travel is included and goals to be delineated to clarify committees function.

Previous committees have been approved without approved charge. Discussion of risk of approving committee without clear charge ensued when there clearly remains contention about transportation purpose mentioned. Does this need to be two committees – one long range planning and one short term? Members feel dividing the committee into two is not beneficial as disparities in pov reflect real range of visions within neighborhood and having all voices at table will be better for SASY in long run.

Motion passed with one no vote by Lou H-J.

- b. **Atwood / Fair Oaks street construction** – not addressed
- c. **Committee chair discussion** -- not addressed

10) **East Side Water Utility meetings update**

- a. **SASY letter to Mayor** – Dan Melton recommends and presents issues SASY Council needs to address: First, Insist The Mayor keep Well 8 turned off this Summer. To PROTECT OUR HEALTH. RE: This Summer only v. permanent, Take it a step at a time. 'This Summer' would be a victory, an achievement, and much easier for The Mayor to say Yes to than a permanent Never pump it again - ever.

Second, Demand a sentinel well be installed between Kipp - Well 8 NOW. ASAP. w/ a deadline date. 'No later than' _____ it must be operational. Not Oh we're going to drill the sentinel well by _____ date - Sentinel well to be fully operational w/ samples taken. To PROTECT OUR HEALTH - and our children's health.

Third, Insist the City embark NOW on a strong, aggressive CONSERVATION door-to-door outreach effort to the Atwood Neighborhood. Offer SASY to be a City-wide example of how low water use can go with a sustained, enthusiastic, thorough effort. - Thereby further demonstrating that perhaps Well 8 is not needed long-term.

Fourth, Insist the Water Utility submit to you a proposed Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) on Well 8, spelling out, in writing, exactly how Well 8 may or may not be used, define an 'emergency', define how neighborhood would be notified. It's important to insist on the package as a whole - not just items one by one, in isolation. Because, for example, it's important to make the connection between CONSERVATION - and the whole Well 8 discussion. It's not a separate issue off in the corner, over there; it's part of the package. Mentioned to recommend use of grey water recycling (which is noted to still be illegal, officially).

Betty moves and John Seconds for SASY to write letter to Mayor and cc: water Utility including all four points. Passes unanimously.

- b. **SASY letter to Water Utility** – Dan Melton presents issue that SASY needs to ask for complete recordson Well #8: The Neighborhood Association needs to ask Water Utility Water Quality Manager Joe Grande JGrande@madisonwater.org for all test results from the Well 8 Iron-Manganese Filter test late 2011 and any other tests run on or related to Well 8 in 2011 and 2012. You need to receive those as soon as possible ~ before the next Well 8 meeting March 15. You should also ask for a copy of the Iron-Manganese Filter test contract, who conducted the test, the results from Joe DeMorett's Kipp monitoring well test and any other tests conducted in 2011 and 2012 (this would include any investigation into biofilm, etc., extra tests on Mn, Iron or any other substances at the well. The request might also ask for results of any other investigations into potential plumes and sources. Plumes plural; sources plural. The Utility always says test results are "public information" so this should be no problem. The fact that you HAVE this information is key ...even if you don't use it.

Motion by Betty, Second Lance to write letter requesting complete records on Well # 8 as mentioned above. Passed unanimously.

- c. **Propose SASY water committee** -- Melanie F & Dan M to work on water committee mission.

11)**City report (Marsha)** – *Marsha not in attendance*

12)**State Update (Chris Taylor)** – 120 bills up for Tuesday session including exemption for voucher schools for disability requirements. Voucher schools are the biggest lobby in state now. Alos up is wolf hunting – 6 month season; MD to do specific exams or be labeled felons; repeal ability of registrars to go into schools and register 18 year olds.

13)**Old Business** – none.

14)**Open Discussion** – none.

15) **Items to be tabled** - none

16)**New Business** – none.

17)**Adjourn** – 9:15 pm