

SASY Neighborhood Association
Council Meeting Agenda - Thursday June 9, 2011

SASYNA.org

Goodman Center - 7:15 pm

1. Introductions /quorum – 18 members of SASY present, with 14 Council members present. Yes, we have quorum.

2. Approval of previous meeting minutes

One change – Please note Lance expressed interest in Preservation committee.
Minutes approved.

3. Additions/corrections to agenda

Note -- be sure we talk about Kipp meeting.

4. Invited presenters

a. Matthew Miller – an update about Hudson Park

a. Today, there are 9 dead fish at the beach. Matt also spent time removing woody invasives from the three effigy mounds in Hudson Park with the help of Craig Klinke, East Madison Parks Supervisor.

b. See Email Matthew sent to SASY and see diagram (attached). Bringing concern about soil erosion and effect on the effigy mounds over time. Matthew shared diagram that shows where mowing takes place on a hill and causes noticeable soil erosion. Mowing also can compact the soil and causes water to flow overland rather than infiltrating.

c. Requesting SASY send a letter of support to Parks and Alder about reducing the amount and or frequency of mowing in western Hudson Park sensitive areas.

d. Matthew shared a proposed draft of a letter.

Comments:

e. Betty Chewning, noted Si Widstrand, formally from City of Madison Parks has put forth a proposed plan-for managing Madison Park areas and utilizing volunteer labor. Si's plan was brought to the Park Commission and was referred back to committee so as to get input from maintenance staff. Matthew's plan does not conflict with the larger plan suggested by Si.

f. John Steines noted - please include walking path on the map.

g. Lance noted the hope would be for smaller mower on sites like this, not the large red mowers.

h. Mark - there is an adopted master plan for Hudson Park that is old – this should be checked.

i. What do the immediate neighbors think of the proposal. Can we check, has there been opposition?

Matthew noted this proposal has been shared with SASYNA, Friends of Hudson Park, the Alder, the HoChunk Nation with little opposition.

j. Target areas to not mow or reduce mow – around trees where mowing causes soil compaction. Where there are woodchips. Where the soil is sloping.

k. Letter could reference the drawing.

l. Mark proposed a motion that Matthew work with John Steines, External Relations liaison and draft a letter to be shared with the Council. Motion approved.

b. Alder Report

- a. Kipp Public Meeting: Wednesday, June 15h meeting for neighborhood to meet with DNR, State health, and city, county health department and water utility to talk about what happened underneath homes on Marquette Street. Mike Schmoller from DNR will be there. Meeting includes a question and answer period. Plymouth Congregational Church, Atwood Avenue, 6:30 pm.
- b. Marsha met with Mermaid café about staying open later to serve dinner.
- c. Public Market – State Level funds have been withdrawn. Marsha has proposed a community process to come up with a new solution. Looking for an adhoc committee to look at local food and market proposals.
- d. Garver project shelved. The Building is falling apart – need to figure out its future soon.
 - i. Betty noted – at the recent Parks meeting she raised the point that the Olbrich Master Plan was created with the assumption there would be an arts incubator. Betty asked that this be reopened.

5. SASYNA Committee reports

Reports from

1. Membership -- update Catherine & Margo

- a. Catherine report: we have a few new members who have joined the list. Thanks to John S. for writing an article for the ESN. We can encourage SASY members to engage with the NA by joining committees. Let's talk about whether we would like a booth at the July 30th Atwood Fest. Another option would be for us to volunteer at the Fest.

- b. Last year we shared the booth with Friends of Starkweather Creek. We can do that again.
- c. Question – do we have a SASY banner to display at the Booth?
- d. Mark McFadden made a motion for the executive committee to create a banner with a new logo by the next meeting. Keep under \$100. Motion carried and approved.
- e. Rek suggested we find an environmental friendly way of printing.
- f. Motion made to have a Booth at Atwood Fest Motion carried and vote approved.
 - i. John, Betty, Doug, Lance, Catherine, Rek raised their hands to help at the booth.

2. Communications -- John S.; 10.2 substitute language? Moderated vs. unmoderated listserves?

- a. John noted we need the approved bylaws. Mark McFadden said he post this evening. Discussion of 10.2 tabled.
- b. East Side News – let's work out a schedule and take turns writing the article. ENS is every two months.
- c. The Communications Committee met June 1st. Suggestion to split the NA list into moderated and unmoderated list.
 - i. Starkweather Creek has a split list: Announcements and Discussion. Announcement list not used.
 - ii. Moderated vs. moderated. There would be a lot of work ..
 - iii. Pam, Mike's partner shared some guidelines. Starts with mission of SASY. See email sharing guidelines for communication. *Revisit at next meeting.*
 - iv. Mark McFadden noted the Council started with an Announcement and Discuss List.
 - 1. Rek – what issues are we trying to solve? Is it about content, volume, tone, being nice ?
 - 2. Check the Reply To. This can help minimize lists posts.
 - 3. Ken asked – are there emails to the Council that should be shared with the Neighborhood List? Yes, sometimes, by mistake.
 - 4. Plan to review the web site and make recommendations for updates. (John and committee).
 - 5. Catherine noted she hopes we can promote the site and encourage use of the site.

3. Preservation and Development -- Mark McF.

- a. Garver – Soglin called the question on Garver. Soglin asked Commonwealth how is fundraising going? Not well. 15.4 million project. Remediation – 2.8 million. Didn't get there. This leaves a real hazard. There have been fires, 11-12 yr old kids love Garver. To bring the building down safely – 2/3rds

million \$ estimate. City doesn't have this. In the meantime, the building rots away. Parks department has a role with finding solution. Budget not in good shape.

- b. Mark notes that the Olbrich Park Master plan should be reopened.
- c. Betty noted – Park department cutting budget by 25%.
- d. Suggestion to reopen the Olbrich Park Master Plan – letter from the Council. Let's consider sending a letter to Parks, Olbrich, Mayor Paul.
- e. John noted Doc Evermore was considering North Plat, the space around Garver. This was withdrawn.
- f. Mark McFadden – Olbrich will likely not be in a position to help.
- g. 2137 Atwood – former Bongo Video / Gemini Landscaping. Proposal for a 4 story apartment building. Neighborhood concerns about traffic, scale, etc. Architect has asked to meet with SASYNA meeting.
- h. Committee meeting to be scheduled, and Mark will share invite across SASY list.

4. Ad-hoc Committees: Union Corners Temporary / Transitional Use - - Mark McF., Lou

- a. BoomBox – was a huge success. Let's build on the energy and enthusiasm.
- b. CNU conference. There were 20 entries. SASY Union Corners Committee plans to upload all proposals on the SASYNA web site – use for inspiration for Union Corners.
- c. Met June 8th – 14 people came to the meeting. We have a committee charge. Shared with Lou, Catherine, John. This will be posted on the SASYNA web site.
- d. There was a concern about long term visioning vs. temporary and transitional uses. Who do you contact with questions? This project includes other NAs, EINPC creating a maillist; SASYNA will manage the web site.
- e. The group will propose the City help support this work with \$\$.
- f. July 9th next meeting, 6-7:30 pm at Hawthorne Park.

b. Proposed Ad-Hoc Committees with written Charge & Mission

- 1. Airport Noise -- Melanie (*Please see the proposed Mission & Charge text, below*)
Airport Noise committee meets twice / year.

Can raise concerns about air traffic routes.

Motion made to create a new ad-hoc committee. Carried and vote passed.

2. Solstice -- Betty (*Please see the proposed Mission & Charge text, below*)

Celebration is June 25th – 8:31 pm.

Parade at 6:30. Jamerica is coming. Dancing, music, singing.

Motion made to create Solstice committee. Carried and vote passed.

Catherine made a motion that SASY provide \$100 to the Solstice celebration to help support the festival. Motion carried and approved.

6. Old business

- a. review draft letter to Kipp, if available -- Marsha? Dan? Steve K.? – *tabled*.
- b. Goodman Center Pergola / landscaping workgroup -- Pergola group
Committee met and notes shared with Council.
- c. Report from Compassionate Communication Sessions -- Carl L. – *tabled* (Carl not here)

7. New business

- a. Trash at Union Corners -- Ken F. -- *tabled*
- b. Report from Parks Commission -- Betty Chewing regarding safe access to Lake Monona?
 - a. Bety asked Parks Department to share where is canoe/kayak access into Lake Monona?. Parks response, it's already done, and shared a map. There are two spots:
 - i. Western side of Starkweather Creek near Olbrich – there are two big flat rocks. Find it there.
 - c. Invite Mayor Paul Soglin to attend a SASY meeting – *tabled*
- c. Report from Ward 33 Assembly Forum - May 31st (Council member attending? Barrett)
 - a. Good meeting. Mary Jo, Tim Wong, Melanie helped organize. About 110 people came. Paid for by organizers; donations are appreciated. There were some audio problems and presenters couldn't the audience.

- d. Report re: newly forming business association – Twink
 - a. Businesses are very interested. Plan to include a Google Map pointing to area businesses. Connecting up with SA and SASYNA council.
 - b. Lou notes – let’s create a protocol for how much info to share on the web site.
 - c. Catherine asked how many businesses attended the last meeting? About 8.
 - d. Doug asked, is Schenk Atwood Revitalization Group linked in? Yes.
 - e. Next WABA meeting – June 22nd at Stalzys.

7. Adjourn – 9 pm

Attachments: Proposed Mission & Charge language

Airport Noise Committee

Statement of Purpose: Goal is to reduce the impact of airport noise on the SASY neighborhood.

Strategies include:

- Hold a public forum to gain input from SASY residents and businesses about their airport noise concerns; invite Airport Commissioners and staff (civil, Guard, others) to attend and respond
- Inform the public how to complain more effectively to the airport authorities
- Longer-term, build on the dialogue with Airport Commissioners and staff to address neighborhood concerns effectively.

Solstice Committee

The task of the Solstice Committee is to plan, coordinate and implement two annual outdoor public celebrations, around the Summer and Winter solstices, to be sponsored by SASY and other entities, for SASY neighbors and the city at large.

Sunset: June 30, 2015

Union Corners Temp/Transitional Use

Temporary and Transitional Uses at Union Corners

The neighborhoods around Union Corners expect that development at Union Corners will be evolutionary in nature. Instead of a single, massive development on the 11 acre site, the community envision temporary and transitional uses that will appear at the site. Temporary uses are uses of Union Corners that appear and meet a set of needs of stakeholders and may have a limited lifetime. Transitional uses are uses that have a trajectory that may lead to a permanent part of the long-term vision for the site. In either

case, the temporary and transitional uses are not intended to conflict for larger vision for long-range development. On the other hand, temporary and transitional uses address the need to do something creative and useful with the site while waiting for the economic conditions that would permit long-term visionary uses.

The SASYNA Union Corners Temporary and Transitional Ad Hoc Committee will identify criteria for deciding on appropriate Temporary and Transitional uses, help put mechanisms in place to support those uses, and provide a model for land banked properties in the City of Madison.

This SASYNA Committee is open to anyone regardless of whether or not they are residents in the SASY neighborhood. The committee meets at least monthly. The committee reports monthly to the SASYNA council. The current chairperson is Mark McFadden. The committee also reports its work publicly on the SASYNA web site and through a mailing list that is set up specifically for the committee.

Mark McFadden
Madison Wisconsin