Southmoor Park West RNO 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes

October 22nd, 2020

Virtual (Zoom) Meeting scheduled for 6:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order: 6: 31 PM Monica opened meeting. Three board members present introduced themselves.
2. Roll Call
3. Board Members – Monica Snyder (Pres); Jan Smart (Treas); Karen McGuire (Secr);

Jeff Guard (Member @ Lrg late)

1. Residents on Zoom: Rob Baumgarten, Elise Kramer, Gene McGuire, Suzy McKeever, Bill Rutherford and Margie Reece.
2. Proxy Count – 3: Chris Dolan, Andrea Tenenbaum, Lori Baird Eaton
3. Guests – Presentations with Q & A
4. Denver City Council Woman Kendra Black

Kendra opened meeting. Had Virtual SE Town Hall last week. Virtual Coffee Meetings – info on Kendra’s website. Nov 18th: Frauds and Scams. Dec 16th: Free virtual concert at Lonetree Arts Center celebrating Beethoven’s birthday.

Happy Canyon Shopping Center: Marczyk’s – early 2021. Bird Call – going into Burger King. Sushi Place – Tai Tai – excellent. Belleview Station – outdoor beer garden thru fall.

Belleview Interchange – Kendra not in favor of Union interchange proposal.

K Mart – Monaco Evans; purchased by developer in 2019. Housing planned.

Planning Process – Yale, Southmoor and Belleview. Lightrail Station review meetings.

City Neighborhood Planning Process: Near Southeast Area Plan – early in 2021 (Evans corridor).

Group Living Proposal - some of us very involved including Bill Rutherford on GLAC (Group Living Advisory Committee). GLAC not put together with enough neighborhood reps. Instead of being approved by Council in October, proposal being discussed for months to find compromises.

Question – Rob Baumgarten - bike path safety/ especially by K Mart.

Kendra – bridge repair on Monaco won’t affect bike path crossing Monaco. Yale and Holly – underpass (Kendra’s Bond Project). Told it was not feasible. Just approved funds to do a preliminary study and analysis.

Behind the Kmart – is low on the priority list. Denver Parks was supposed to repave: still not done; Funds are low because of Pandemic. Not sure what will happen.

Canal owned by Denver Water (71 miles); Working on storm water drainage, including a pilot project near Wellshire Golf Course. Long term vision: dirt and cement paths side by side.

Q2 from Rob: Will Happy Canyon etc be repaved after waterlines work? Yes.

Q3 from Rob: street racing IS a huge problem. Kendra: Officers monitoring.

Officer Borquez: Monitoring Microcenter/ Union and Ulster (cameras). Partner Matt Grimsley: putting reporting website in meeting comments. Thornton also a big problem: recent sting there very successful. Will not shutdown highways or chase.

Q4 from Rob: can we put a speed limit sign on Happy Canyon?

Officer Borquez – only 4 mobile signs for all D3. Rob: Please email Officer Borquez re mobile sign. Battery life 10 days. Officer can send the data or visit with us about it.

Kendra: Permanent signs need to be petitioned through DOT, city doesn’t install. Present because of extraordinary tragedies. Kendra signed off after ~ 20 minutes. Thank you Kendra!!

1. Denver Police Department, District 3, Officer Borquez: STATS: no spike in person vs person crime: spike with cars being stolen and theft from motor vehicles – including IDs, keys. If interested in Neighborhood Watch program (3000 people in District 3): how/when to report suspicious behaviors; can request training. Send email request to DPD.
2. Denver Water Department Representative - Gianna Lombardi:

1. Main line replacements though October: paving in progress on streets. Weather dependent.

2. Hillcrest Tanks put into service this week. New fences up. Paving, landscaping with deciduous trees and sod in progress now; evergreens in the spring. End of 2021 for completion of entire project. Gianna shared screen with pix of Hillcrest Site. Gianna explained different features and landscaping plans.

Question from resident on Hillcrest: asking about plans for 2 story building (pump house). Could tall trees be planted to block the bldg? Make sure resident has Gianna’s email to find out landscaping plans. Is 8’ chain link fence permanent??? (Eyesore.) Gianna can check. Monica suggested follow up meeting: Monica, resident and Gianna. Hillcrest Newsletter sent Monthly, reach out for copy; info also on Denver Water website.

1. Approval of 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes

Karen reviewed 2019 minutes. 10 plus 3 proxies = 13. Motion to approve. Seconded. (Didn’t actually vote.) Accepted as approved – though by less than a quorum – 13 not 16.

1. Treasurer’s Report Jan Smart
2. Year 2019 Treasurer’s Report: Starting ($11,828) and ending ($11,083) balances. Dues from 77 Residents. Breakdown of Expenses. Biggest expenses Summer Kickoff and Newsletter. Total number of Houses = 160. 48% dues participation.

Rob Baumgarten asked about trying to resurrect the HOA. Jan thinks there were some errors made when it lapsed. Rob and Jan recognize difficulty of getting 100% participation of residents for new HOA.

1. Year 2020 – thru October 21st. Starting ($11,083) and ending ($11,711) balances. Dues from 58Residents (down from 2019). Jan stated she thought the Newsletter perhaps could touch some people and bring things together by communication but doesn’t think that’s happened.
2. Unfinished Business
3. None
4. New Business
5. Elections for Five New Officers -

Monica asked if anyone had any nominations for new board members. Jan asked if we needed a quorum for new business of elections. Monica counted 10 present and 3 proxies. Monica stated since we don’t have a quorum, we cannot move forward with elections.

Monica moved on to discuss Budget Recommendations for 2021.

Bill Rutherford stated he wanted to go back and (after Audio issues) asked if there was a quorum of residents? Monica answered no. Bill said then the meeting should just be called. Can’t do business without a quorum.

Jan/Bill: will need to have a special meeting.

Bill repeated that we can’t do any business because we don’t have a quorum.

Karen – stated that we already said we weren’t going to hold elections; suggested we move on – not making decisions but getting ideas and feedback from people who took the time to attend the meeting.

1. Budget Recommendations for 2021
2. Continuation of Newsletter in Budget – not discussed
3. Discussion of Possible RNO Events for 2021:

Ice cream social – enjoyed by Suzy. (Things that don’t cost much money but get us together). Elisa – kid centric activities, maybe for holidays, caroling, hot cocoa station with social distancing.

1. Bylaw Changes – not discussed.
2. Other
3. Group Living Report – Kendra provided some info earlier. Bill stated he walked away from this some time ago. Karen’s update on proposal status: Denver City Council not voting on in October. Pieces of the proposal being discussed, alterations being made and voting postponed until Dec or Jan.
4. Southmoor Park West Directory – distributed to 160 homes in the neighborhood. Karen accepting updates of contact info.
5. Adjournment Suzy: Motion to adjourn annual meeting. Elisa said a very nice thank you to the board. Motion seconded and meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Recording: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Yp8NTaiK-D9v0gjaWaQCyMmEA0HdLhIC/view