

OPNNA BOARD MEETING MINUTES 01/21/2020

PRESENT: John Brenneman, Jim Mysliwiec, Teena Larson, Patty Wallis, Wendy Cox, Bart Vincent, Steve Rutledge and Susan Bowman

ABSENT: Jack Guerra, Manny Villa

Bart called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

It was determined we had a quorum.

Guest Speakers: Reinette King and Stan Mitchell were introduced and presented their issues with SAWS Vista Ridge pipeline ("Facts About Vista Ridge"). They are part of a coalition of rural and urban organizations urging San Antonio City Council for an independent managerial, financial and legal audit of Vista Ridge. Vista Ridge is a \$3.4 Billion, 142-mile water pipeline slated for operation in Apr 2020 and is the most expensive water in Texas. Vista Ridge has far more water than SA can use, and it replaces some of our cheaper Edwards water. For the benefits of private companies, it's being forced on SA ratepayers. The CEO of SAWS, Robert Puente, makes nearly 3 times more than any public water CEO in Texas \$496,000 + \$100,000 bonus. The pipeline actually pumps water uphill. It doesn't make any sense and is costing taxpayers billions. Now we are told that SA is imposing 50%+ rate hike on the ratepayers for Vista Ridge. They suggested we call our City Council Member and Mayor Nirenberg (210-207-7040) to urge an independent forensic audit of Vista Ridge and to rein in SAWS. For further information log on to their website: LIVTexas.org/vista-ridge

MINUTES: Teena moved, Steve seconded that minutes from the Nov 2019 meeting be approved as corrected. Motion passed.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

VICE PRESIDENT: Patty updated development of E Sunset Rd lots 237/241. Developer Mickey Starnes promised to provide his plans since October 2019, but to date, has not complied. Mr. Starnes verbally shared there will be 6 individual 1 million dollar 3500 sq ft homes - 35 ft high with observation deck on top. Neighbors and the Board are very concerned about neighbor privacy in keeping with the character of the area AND with the still unaddressed water run-off flooding problem for surrounding neighbors and streets. Mr Starnes also shared that he plans to change the topography of this property by filling in the 12 ft+ land drop off area with dirt and homes. Without seeing plans and talking to engineers there are still questions on how this could make flooding worse to surrounding homes on Lawndale and Flamingo. The Board asked Patty to contact Board member Manny Villa and City Councilman Clayton Perry for help to obtain plans from Mr. Starnes for this development.

SECRETARY: Susan has not heard of any building permit filed yet on 238 Sunset Rd.

TREASURER: Teena reported no activity since her last treasurer's report. Balance in the account remains at \$6,925.45

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MEMBERSHIP: Jim discussed the need to let folks in the neighborhood know about OPNNA in order to get more participation and members. There was discussion of mailing a postcard to all residents. However, the cost may be prohibitive. Teena will check into it further. Steve suggested hand delivery of a flyer to roughly 3,000 homes in the neighborhood and even volunteered to pass out 1,000 flyers personally! Other suggestions were advertisement in the Rivard Report and/or the 78209 magazine.

ACTIVITIES: July 4th Parade Discussion: Last year was successful. We will repeat most things done, just start plans earlier.

CODE COMPLIANCE : John discussed the plan of 20 units being built near him and that parking will be an issue.

NEW BUSINESS:

BYLAW CHANGES: Teena and Wendy reviewed our Bylaws and recommended changes to Article's III, IV, and V!! as follows: Article III-C The term of office for each Officer or Director shall be approximately one year from the **FALL** General Association Meeting.

Article IV – A. Officers and Directors shall be elected at the **FALL** General Association meeting.

Article VII Amendments:

- A. Any amendment of these Bylaws shall be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the ASSOCIATION members present and voting at any general ASSOCIATION meeting.
- B. Any proposal for an amendment of these Bylaws shall be submitted to the BOARD in writing at least thirty days prior to the FALL or SPRING General Association Meeting for presentation and voting by the ASSOCIATION members at the next FALL or SPRING General Association Meeting.
- C. Any proposal for an amendment of these Bylaws will be voted on during the **New Business** portion of the FALL or SPRING General Association Meeting.

These changes will be made public (OPNNA website, OPNNA Facebook pg, Next Door) and voted on at our Spring ASSO. meeting.

Discussion: who should speak at our Spring meeting. Politicians, etc? Conclusion: Perhaps those running only for Mayor and District 10 be allowed to speak for 2 minutes each. Perhaps also have Reinette King and Pat Garrison speak?

AIRPORT UPDATE: Pat Garrison is now on an Airport Advisory Committee and plans to speak with us at a later date.

SPRING MEETING: APRIL 23rd was chosen as the date for our Spring Annual Association Meeting.

FALL MEETING: OCTOBER 8th is the date for the Fall Annual Association Meeting when election of officers will be held.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS: Tuesday, 6:30PM on March 17, May 19, June 16 and Sep 15, 2020.

There being no further business, Bart adjourned the meeting at 8:25 pm. Our next Board Meeting is March 17, 2020.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Bowman, Secretary

