

Southmoor Park East Homeowners Association, Inc.
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
November 14, 2018 - 7:00 PM
Citywide Bank

MINUTES

Board members present: Casey Funk, Jack Green, Bob Engel, Robert Finkelmeier, Patrick Morgan, Cecile Cohan, Rebecca (Becky) Stuart, Troy Hendelman, Stephen Rohs; Absent: Fred Jorgensen, Ethan Lew, and Reese Jameson.

Visitors: Nancy Mitchell, 3650 S Pontiac Way; Henry C. "Corky" Kyle, 1410 Grant St, Ste. B304-1, 80203.

1. Casey Funk called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and declared a quorum present.
2. The Board reviewed the October 10, 2018 Board Minutes. Motion to approve the October 10, 2018 Minutes from the floor, seconded from the floor, unanimously approved (reference "10.10.18 Board Minutes-approved.docx").
3. President's Report – Casey Funk reported SPEHA's appreciation to the new UMB Bank for removing their lighted sign that faced Southmoor Park (reference "UMB Bank").
4. Visitors – Nancy Mitchell and Corky Kyle attended to observe the meeting.
5. Southmoor School Report – Casey Funk reported Sarina Compoz, Southmoor Principal, was out for an extended period of time due to car accident. She has returned as of November 14. Ms. Compoz will speak at SPEHA Annual Meeting, Tuesday, January 22, 2019, starting at 6:45 pm, about the school being put in the "yellow" category down from "green".
6. Information items
 - a. Bike Lane - Stephen Rohs reported neighbors are asking the Board to request more stop signs due to increased cut-through traffic in the neighborhood. Casey Funk volunteered to discuss with Kendra Black, District 4 City Councilwoman. Casey will also discuss with Ms. Black about moving the bike lane to Mansfield/Oneida/Magnolia and restoring 2 full traffic lanes on Monaco/Eastmoor/Princeton. This suggestion is supported by the Board as it puts cars back on Monaco/Eastmoor/Princeton where they belong and bikes through the neighborhood. It also includes helping bikes get in and out of Southmoor Station which was the goal according to the speakers at all meetings concerning the bike lanes. Becky Stuart suggested adding reflecting tape to Stop Sign posts as many do on Dahlia. Casey Funk also asked for suggestions to make the bike lanes better as it does not really seem likely that they will be removed. Keeping positive might help make changes. Top traffic issues that need to be addressed due to the addition of the bike lanes: 1) There are no gaps to turn left from Oneida St onto Princeton during rush hours (7-9 AM or 4-6 PM); 2) There are no gaps to turn left from Monaco onto Magnolia during rush hours (7-9 AM or 4-6 PM); 3) Traffic backs up from Hampden south on Monaco causing problems entering the King Sooper grocery store and Fire Station. Suggestions are needed before the public meeting in January, so we are ready for a constructive meeting.
 - b. Green Cross Update – The Green Cross of Cherry Creek medical marijuana dispensary, 3400 S Oneida Way, is trying to engage with SPEHA neighbors in positive way. Green Cross hosted an open house, which several Board members attended. Green Cross donated \$500 to Southmoor Elementary and is continuing its outreach to the community. Green Cross is expected to submit a new permit application for a recreational license in the Spring of 2019. The question is simply whether or not our neighborhood has a need for an additional dispensary? A neighborhood survey will be sent out once the Green Cross application is received.

c. Annual meeting - January 22, 2019 - Southmoor Elementary agreed to host the SPEHA Annual Meeting, Tuesday, January 22, 6:45 PM . We must be out of the building by 8:30 PM. Troy Hendelman suggested by that each speaker allowed 5 minutes and all questions be held until speaker is finished or all questions held until all speakers are finished. At least one mayoral candidate has requested to address the SPEHA Annual Meeting. There is concern that if we agree, then the meeting may become a political event. Is a town hall meeting format more appropriate?

7. Action Items:

a. Insurance renewal – Casey Funk requested and received updated insurance quotes from the Board’s current insurance carrier. He suggested renewing at this time but will look into policy changes and competitive quotes for next year. Motion to approve renewing SPEHA Board 2018-2019 insurance policies with Philadelphia Insurance Companies for an annual premium of \$2892.00 (an increase of \$170 over 2017-2018) by Jack Green, seconded by Cece Cohan, unanimously approved (reference “2018-2019 Application.pdf”, “2018-2019 Philadelphia Insurance Companies quote .PDF”, and “2017-2018 Proposal Southmoor.PDF”).

b. Roof Ratifications - None.

c. Roof Covering - None.

d. Miscellaneous Ratifications - None.

e. Miscellaneous Expense Actions - None.

f. Miscellaneous actions - None.

8. Treasurer’s Report (Green) – Jack Green reported SPEHA has a balance of \$105,562.95 as of October 31, 2018. Unpaid Homeowners’ Dues remain at \$3,587.00; four homes make up \$2,349 of the \$3587.00 (65%). Jack reported several new newsletter sponsors. Sponsors now include: Pro-Cleaners; Fernando Serna Irrigation & Landscaping; Engel Property Group; Silver Star Cleaners; and Patrick Morgan, Madison & Company Properties. Troy Hendelman suggested formally discussing raising annual homeowners’ dues with an “Opt Out”.

9. Newsletter & Bulletins (Finkelmeier, Funk) – The December edition of the SPEHA Newsletter will be in the mail on or just after Monday, December 3rd. This edition has the announcement of the annual meeting, Tuesday, January 22, 2019, and included the ballot for the selection of SPEHA Board members.

10. Parks & Neighborhood (Green) – Jack Green reported that a strip of nature between Southmoor Park and the businesses to the north is now back in the hands of Denver Parks and Rec., so it will be cared for. Prior to this it was designated as a “wild life” property and was not cared for. Cece Cohan wondered if this is also true for the west side of Eastmoor Park along I-25? Casey Funk volunteered to look into this.

11. Traffic & Safety (Morgan, Finkelmeier) – There was some discussion in regard to auto traffic cutting through the neighborhood due to the recently stripped bicycle lanes on South Monaco and Princeton. Casey indicated that he would send Councilwomen Black an email outlining our suggestions, which were:

1) Retime the light at Hampden during heavy traffic to allow more vehicles on Monaco to go north.

2) Move the pedestrian light to the intersection of Oneida and Princeton to allow vehicle use as well as pedestrian use.

3) Install reflector strips or flashing stop sign lights at all four way intersections in the neighborhood.

4) Install more stop signs in the neighborhood to discourage traffic from going through the neighborhood.

12. Website Report (Finkelmeier) – No report.

13. Architectural, Covenants and Bylaws – No report.

14. Neighborhood issues – Becky Stuart reminded the Board about the Homeless Initiative that will be on the May 2019 ballot. The Right to Survive will end the Urban Camping ban which means the Southmoor Park curfew will be lifted and people might camp there as well as on sidewalks and rights of way. Becky would like the Board to take a public position on this as it is different than it sounds, not good for our community, and it needs to be clarified to our HOA members. For additional information: <https://www.westword.com/news/right-to-survive-initiative-on-may-2019-ballot-would-overturn-denvers-urban-camping-ban-10853941>

15. Old Business – Patrick Morgan is concerned about parking at the new medical facility, which does not seem adequate. Kendra Black would like to have moratorium on these projects until they are reviewed. The Board is not protesting the facility at this time.

16. New Business – Casey Funk reported about the median project along Hampden that is set to begin summer 2019. In order to create artwork for the project, the Board will need to talk businesses along the Hampden corridor to create a "Business District" that will pay for the art installations. Kendra Black was able to get \$5 million dollars for medians in the budget.

17. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Becky Stuart, seconded by Cece Cohan, unanimously approved.

Next meeting: December 12, 2018