

MEETING MINUTES
MORNINGSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
Wednesday, April 11, 2012
6:30 p.m.
Pringle Creek Community Painters Hall
3911 Village Center Drive SE

AGENDA

Call to Order and Introductions: Chair Pamela Schmidling called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Board members and guests introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes for the February and March meetings were approved as submitted.

Since there has been much discussion about the Fairview Hills development, the board decided to move it up on the agenda. These minutes will reflect this change.

Police Report: Our officer introduced himself to the audience and let everyone know that he was available to help with their concerns. He pointed out that the biggest crimes in our general area are drugs and theft. He then addressed individual concerns.

Fairview Hills Development Update: There was much discussion about the proposed Fairview Hills Development, the board's presentation before the Planning Commission, as well as the statements made by planning commissioners in approving of the development plan. The issue will be going before City Council on May 14.

James gave a short presentation reminding everyone about the key elements of the Fairview Master Plan, which is one of the documents which is to guide development on the site. There was general concern that the refinement plan as submitted does not meet the requirements of the Fairview Master Plan, as required by Section 143C of the Salem Revised Code.

Discussion on the topic continued for over an hour.

Lloyd made the following motion:

"I move that Morningside Neighborhood Association:

1. Reiterate its support for the Fairview Master Plan and Chapter 143 (c) of the Salem Revised Code requiring adherence to the master plan;
2. Reiterate its support for the specific issues raised about the Fairview Hills development by the association's land use committee;
3. Request that, if significant changes are made to the refinement plan, the developer agree to extend the "120-day deadline" to allow for full neighborhood review of the proposed changes;
4. If the development cannot be made consistent with the Fairview Master Plan, an amendment to the master plan or section 143 of the code should be sought; and

5. Improvements of Reed Road to Battle Creek need to be made a part of any phase 1 development of Fairview Hills."

This motion was seconded, and passed with 12 in favor, one abstaining, and one absent.

A number of meetings have been scheduled between the developers and the Morningside Neighborhood Association's Land Use Committee. These are in conjunction with the Morningside 360 meetings, preparing for the city council meeting, meetings with the developer and with Sustainable Fairview. The first is a coordination meeting with Sustainable Fairview on April 12 at 10 AM. The Land Use Committee will meet a half hour before the next Morningside 360 meeting on April 19 at 6:30 in Pringle Creek Community Painter's Hall. There is also a meeting with AKS (part of the Fairview Hills Development team) sometime next week. The Annual Meeting is May 9, and the City Council hearing will be May 14.

There was also interest in giving time for this topic to be discussed at the Annual Meeting on May 9.

A suggestion was made to get something out to the local newspapers discussing this issue. James will follow up on this.

Committee Reports

Traffic: The new speed signs are up on Pringle Road.

Land Use: The Sun West office building on Fairview Industrial is being auctioned off next week.

There has been no further news regarding the process for actually changing the designation of Hillfiker to a collector from a minor arterial. Alan will write a letter to the city asking to clarify what the association needs to do to make this change happen.

Parks: Since the budget is being discussed, there is a possibility that parks could be cut.

Pringle Creek Watershed Council (PCWC): The Watershed Council is throwing its support behind the Morningside Neighborhood Association's position concerning Fairview Hills. Also, there is a birding tour this Saturday.

South Salem Connect: This community progress team received a grant for \$18,000. The money will be divided among the schools in the neighborhood as follows:

\$4500 to Judson Middle School

\$4500 to Leslie Middle School

\$1000 to Family Building Blocks and Head Start

\$1500 to Bush for Math and reading interventions

\$1500 to Richmond

\$2000 to the Southeast Neighborhood Center

\$600 to AC Gilbert's Discovery Village for various programs

\$1500 for parenting classes

The next South Salem Connect monthly meeting is April 18 at Mission Mill at 11 AM.

Airport: No report.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT): The team has received its cache box and it is located at Morningside Methodist Church.

Morningside 360: Jason Richling was unavailable for this meeting, but regular meetings are continuing. The next meeting is April 19. The hope is to have the board approved the plan for submittal to the city for adoption at the board's June meeting.

City Councilor Report: No report.

Neighborhood Liaison Report: No report.

Announcements: Pamela has received a request from the local Move to Amend Coalition to speak at one of our meetings. Everyone felt that this meeting was not the right venue for this discussion.

Newsletter Notice of Bylaw Changes Due to Proposed Budget Reductions: These amendments, dealing mostly with notification requirements that the city no longer expects to meet with proposed budget cuts, will be discussed at the Annual Meeting on May 9.

2011-12 Morningside Communication Funds Decision: At the March meeting it was decided that we use the money to promote CERT and National Night Out. Any money left over could be used to promote the Fairview discussion at the annual meeting.

A motion was made to use the money for a mailer to all households promoting the Morningside Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). The motion passed.

Neighborhood Issues and Concerns: Tina was encouraged to expand the minutes to better reflect the discussion at these meetings. The audio file could also be sent and placed on the web site.

Open Issues: Pringle Road sidewalk improvements on the east side of the street and north of Madrona are underway. Also, Marshal Drive will be getting a sidewalk.

The Sustainable Fairview property will be used for a large simulated disaster in this area within the next month. Just a reminder that this is a "simulation" rather than the real thing.

Morningside Church is having a community dinner this Sunday that is free and open to anyone in the neighborhood.

Mike expressed his appreciation for the Board's commitment to the neighborhood.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Hansen, secretary