

# M.N.A. MINUTES---MAY 27<sup>TH</sup> , 2010

Members present—Mike Lechner , Vernon Padaca , Heinrich Wiebe , Carissa Hills , Richard Carter , Joanne Lechner

Members absent—the D Team—Donna , Dan , Doug , Debbie , D(B)ecky

Neighbors attending—Kristi Brinderhoff

## 1.APRIL MINUTES APPROVAL / OLD BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS

**A.**April minutes ACTION items reviewed and all determined DONE

**B.**Minutes APPROVED as written

## 2.HOW SOMETHING BECOMES AN AGENDA ITEM

**A.**Group discussion includes : 1 ) item brought to attention of President ; 2 ) proposed agenda item topic be typed up ( “...fleshed out...” ) and sent by originator to all Boardmembers as “ Homework “ prior to boardmeeting for their consideration , brainstorming , feedback in preparation for focused boardmeeting discussion / decision-making / voting ; 3 ) determination that agenda item of interest to and / or on behalf of MNA ; 4 ) item determined to want / need attention of Board for support / direction / guidance ; 5 ) determination for agenda inclusion given to Heinrich in role as President ; 6 ) consistent format of Agenda be implemented ; 7 ) consistent agenda items to consider would be Minutes approval , Old Business ACTION items completion , Committee / Project reports , New Business , Next Meeting , \_\_\_\_\_

**ACTION—Heinrich** contacts Boardmembers prior to upcoming meeting with call for agenda items

**ACTION—Heinrich** sends out June meeting agenda prior to meeting

## 3.NEED FOR COMMITTEES AND CHAIR PEOPLE

**A.**Group discussion includes : 1 ) expectation for committees / projects to work and communicate outside boardmeetings ; 2 ) structuring of committees / projects to have a chairperson ; 3 ) understandings that “...not a vacuum...” , that “...everyone feels free...” to interact within committees / projects ; 4 ) ongoing recognition and agreement by project / committee chairs to include others’ points-of-view , brainstorming , planning , membership ; 5 ) ongoing efforts to recruit participation onto projects / committees by non-Board neighbors ; 6 )

recognition that are short-term , single-goal tasks not needing a committee structure ; 7 ) distinctions between committees and projects is in the semantics

#### **4.COLLABORATION OUTSIDE OF REGULAR MEETINGS**

**A.**Group discussion includes : 1 ) usefulness and possible implementation of Box.net and Google docs as tools to get more done outside regular meetings ; 2 ) 2 Box.net and Google docs strengths are to make edits and to add comments on a document ; 3 ) since being introduced , MNA Box.net and docs have been implemented by only segment of Board ; 4 ) participation and usage of Google docs and Box.net as significant indicator for continuing active membership on Board ; 5 ) appreciation for color-coding messaging feature and for including initials as add edits ; 6 ) e-mails not have communication strength as don't carry prior message(s) ; 7 ) e-mails more likely to be deleted unread ;

**B.**Heinrich offers to lead training sessions for using Box.net and Google docs

#### **5.WEBSITE UPDATE**

**A.**Vernon agrees to be committee chairperson

**B.**Heinrich , Vernon , Joanne present progress on 5 steps to website roll-out

**C.**Heinrich provides Boardmembers with hard copy statement of proposed Scope / Purpose / Goals / Objective for feedback and approval entitled “ STEP 1 “

**D.** Board discussion referring to “ STEP 1 “ statement includes : 1 ) ++ and – of Pay Pal system for dues payments , including clarification that per-purchase fee paid by MNA and not payer , potential for trial timeframe set-up ; 2 ) current fees structure toward Infofuel ; location of By-laws on website ; 3 ) MNA website not a commercial venture ; 4 ) extent of and criteria for Links ; 5 ) reassurances toward ongoing Board discussions regarding approval of content ( “...how limit it...” , “...not too restrictive...” , “... for new MNA residents...” , “...target audience...” , “...about us...” , “...for people who live on the Mesa...” , “...out of area...” ) ; 6 ) regarding monthly website hits report , ability to measure monthly website users as within / nearby / afar of MNA ; 7 ) helpful continuation of looking at Links used by other neighborhoods' websites ; 8 ) adopt concept of addition and removal trial procedures for content items ; 9 ) consideration for content to include features on spotlighting a Mesa resident

#### **6.STARVIEW UPDATE**

**A.**Carissa provides Boardmembers with printed handout entitled “ PROPOSED SIGN ELEVATION FOR W.S.M. STARVIEW ENTRANCE that includes : schematic design phase , project steps / timeline , design development / construction doc. phase , bid and construction phase

**B.**Carissa reports that : 1 ) bids are now being let , with option #1 as in handout , with option #2 being a single tower element ; 2 ) Committee’s goal was to make all 3 entrance roads’ signs cohesive , as with font and tower design ; 3 ) brick wall base will be curved to fit hillside contour ; 4 ) Homer’s donation to City of easement property for sign’s site is now undergoing settlement ; 5 ) ACHD has advised that this location not in their plans over next 15 years ; 6 ) through her efforts , City will install a light illuminating Starview intersection and Warm Springs Mesa entrance sign ; 7 ) sign will be on ACHD’s June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda ; 8 ) Byron Hills created handout artwork ; 9 ) a mock-up will be created of final design ; 10 ) will accumulate a set of in-kind bills

## **7.STARCREST UPDATE**

**A.**Joanne presentation includes : 1 ) reference to her May, ’10 authored document “ History of Starcrest Entrance...” in explanation of complete scope of landscaping / beautification for area under consideration ; 2 ) confirmation from Board that MNA Board Motion APPROVAL already in place for support and sign-off of eastside portion Horticulture Society contest ; 3 ) request that Board consider meeting expenses of improvements related to H. Wise and United Water properties ; 4 ) explanation that some landscaping related improvements under way “ can’t wait” ; 5 ) comments that in ongoing discussions with United W. , Idaho Power , and their subcontractors “...getting them to do even more.” ;6 ) restating of Homer Wise’s exchange of materials toward completion of improvements on his property ; 7 ) appreciation of numerous neighbors already in ongoing consultation with and continuing to provide ideas and assistance ; 8 ) acceptance as chair of Starcrest Beautification Committee ; 9 ) concern for water and sprinkler lines damaged in construction of northside Starcrest Bevington property

**B.**Group discussion includes : 1 ) Board’s compliments to Joanne for taking the initiative in approaching private property owners along each side of Starcrest down to Warm Springs ; 2 ) compliments for prompting United Water, Idaho Power to make landscaping / facilities improvements at their expense ; 3 ) observation that , as stakeholders , United Water can declare their Starcrest improvements as positive community service efforts ; 4 ) consideration of a workday devoted to this section of Mesa

**C.**Group discussion includes directing attention to concerns of Joanne’s and Homer’s regarding well-being of Starcrest north roadside trees threatened due to Bevington construction site damage

**ACTION—Carissa** contacts Starcrest north roadside property owners Bruce and Connie Kniefel toward resolution of damaged water lines across their property

**ACTION**—**Joanne** obtains “ballpark” estimates from utilities for MNA-desired Starcrest improvements related to their properties

## **8.FIREWISE UPDATE --- tabled**

## **9.NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH UPDATE --- tabled**

## **10.501c3 UPDATE**

A.Mike reports that nothing new to report in status change toward 501c4

## **11.BUDGET UPDATE**

A.Mike reports that : 1 ) budget posted on Google docs. ; 2 ) not clear on Board expectations ; 3 ) answers inquiry regarding breakdown of some printing costs

B.Group discussion includes : 1 ) revisiting expenses of Picnic ; 2 ) what have spent \$\$ on this year ; 3 ) awareness for potential , new expenses with '10 projects / committees ; 4 ) potential for recruitment of funding sponsors

## **12.NGHT OUT ( TUESDAY , AUGUST 3<sup>RD</sup> )**

A.Lindsay has filled out registration forms , requesting of City officials attendance

## **13.NEW BOARD MEMBER**

A.Heinrich : 1 ) reads letter of request to join Board from Lindsay Barnes ; 2 ) proposes Board consideration ; 3 ) participates in group discussion

B.MOTION by Mike , 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joanne , APPROVED for Lindsay Barnes to be welcomed as member of M.N.A. Board of Directors

## **14.ATTENDANCE @ BOARD MEETINGS' LOCATIONS / DATES / TIMES**

**A.Kristi** : 1 ) inquires as to Board procedures informing MNA.residents of monthly meetings' information ; 2 ) explains her difficulty in locating info ; 3 ) suggests improvements in system in avoiding impression as "private" event

**B.Group discussion** includes : 1 ) recognition of ongoing problem ; 2 ) possible solutions include use of roadside signage , postings by e-mail to those 200est. resident now in recently created system , posting in Newsletter on seasonal basis of 3 consecutive meeting's dates / locations / times , use of multiple communications systems ; 3 ) decision to use e-mail and Newsletter systems

**ACTION—Heinrich** notifies those residents with e-mail addresses gathered on Google doc . of Board meeting info prior to June 24<sup>th</sup> Board meeting

**ACTION—Joanne** incorporates "Monthly Meetings" section into Newsletter layout

## **15.NEXT MEETING**

**A.Thursday** , June 24<sup>th</sup> , 2010

**B.Heinrich Wiebe's** residence – 2054 S. Toluka

**C.Please** contact Heinrich if unable to attend ( 850-3000 , [hw@wiebere.com](mailto:hw@wiebere.com) )

**D.Please** contact Heinrich with agenda items

**ACTION x 12 -- Each Boardmember** notifies all other Boardmembers with their proposed agenda item for their brainstorming & feedback "Homework"

**ACTION—Heinrich** sends out agenda prior to meeting