

**Meeting Minutes for Beresford Hillsdale Board Meeting Held on
April 7, 2011, 7:30pm to 9pm at the Beresford Recreation Center**

Present Board members: M. Edwards, J.Najjar, S. Shogren, A. Arnold, A.Schlossman, K. Herrel, M.Germano, and S. Rowinski

Absent Board members: Bruce Klafter, Suki Martin

Minutes written by Susan Rowinski

Routine business

Accept Financial Report – Approved 3/31/2011 financial statement

Approve March Board minutes- Approved March 2011 BOD minutes

Accept March General meeting minutes- Accepted March general meeting minutes

San Mateo United Homeowners Association report- The only nomination for the best maintained home in the BHNA area failed to gather a BOD quorum. As a result BHNA did not submit an entry this year. We will start the selection process earlier for 2012

General meetings:

April – Karen Maskel – Karen Herrel will lead the meeting

May – Cal Water. **Karen** will ask SMPD to have a beat officer speak at the beginning of the meeting

June - Ken White- Sue Rowinski agreed to lead this meeting

July – Social- Selection of the food to be served and entertainment to be provided will be further discussed during the May BOD meeting. At the April meeting the members will be asked their preference for a dessert “pot luck” provided by the members, pizza, ice cream and floats as last year, or sheet cake.

August – no meeting

September – City Council candidate night – **Karen** will arrange but may not be able to attend

October – open

November – open- **A. Arnold** to contact Jerry Hill to determine if he could speak at either the October or November general meeting. Other possibilities for meetings – a presentation on San Mateo’s history (County Historical Society?),

December – no meeting

January – open

Old Business

New web design- New design allows for easier and faster updating and modification by any authorized BHNA person(s). Although there were suggestions to improve the first design, we need to get what has been accomplished up and running. **Mike** will contact the designer.

John Belforte memorial bench- This has been outstanding/in process for several years. A plaque would be engraved and placed on an existing bench in Beresford Park as opposed to purchasing and memorializing a new bench. **Mike** will forward his information from past Park & Rec contacts to **Karen** so she can try to complete the memorializing the bench. This would be a good addition to the BHNA July general (social) meeting. BHNA will sponsor and pay for memorializing effort.

Position on High Speed Rail- Board agreed to get up to speed with the most current issues before deciding if the board will or will not to take a position on the high speed rail project. To begin the update process, **K. Herrel** will send to board members the current position/comments from the City of San Mateo so that we can address their current position. . .

Music practice room noise during general monthly meetings- Music noise will be significantly reduced as a result of the Park and Recreation (P&R) department purchasing an electric piano and head sets intended to be worn by instructor and student during practice. P&R is also getting bids on installing “quiet rock” acoustic sheetrock in the large closet in the practice room.

New Business

Anne Arnold resigned from the BHNA board effective April 30, 2011, due to moving out of the city.

BHNA publicity table at the Saturday College of San Mateo Farmers Market- BHNA to have an informational table at the Farmers Market Saturday June 19th, 9 am-1 PM , before the general meeting. Board agreed to identify members who can take a shift and represent BHNA. **J.Najjar** agreed to be the board member who will coordinate the June BHNA Farmers market event.

Hillsdale Station Plan update- April 18 the City Council will meet and approve the revised Hillsdale train station plans. The plans require moving the current Hillsdale train station north to allow for the construction of underpasses at 28th and 31st streets. Board agreed that BHNA had no new or additional comments to deliver to City Council before the April 18 meeting. BHNA statements to City Council have been to ensure that there is adequate automobile parking at all new TOD developments, including at the station in order to eliminate/reduce overflow parking in the surrounding neighborhoods.

Leaf Blower ordinance change update- S. Rowinski outlined the March 7 City Council Study sessions for the leaf blower. S. Rowinski suggested that the board may want to take a position on this issue. Board decided to learn more about the issue before even considering taking a position. Board suggested that City Council D. Lim attend the May or June board meeting to share the city council's position. **S. Rowinski** to invite and confirm D. Lim attendance.

Sign ups for taking minutes for Board and General meetings- Until a Secretary is identified, some board members signed up to take both board and general meeting minutes.

“Keeping BHNA Going” We need to discuss back up for tasks which are a part of the month to month operation of the association, and which also require specific technical knowledge or access to computer files, or possession of items like the checks or PO Box key to accomplish. A chart listing many of these tasks had been sent out to Board members. Due to the late hour, they were not discussed, but all agreed that we need to have backup for critical items like distributing the newsletter via email, maintaining the membership file, etc. The backup person(s) do not have to be Board members. Margaret restated her desire to pass the newsletter editor to others

The meeting adjourned at 9 PM.

Action Item Summary from April 7 BOD meeting:

- Karen to ask SMPD to have an officer speak at the beginning of the May General meeting
- Karen to arrange City Council Candidate night for the Sept General Meeting
- Anne to contact Jerry Hill and determine if he can speak at the Oct or Nov meeting
- Karen to complete the memorializing of the John Belforte memorial bench
- Juliette agreed to be the board member who will coordinate the June BHNA Farmers market event
- Susan to confirm if David Lim (current City Council member) if he can speak at the May or June BHNA BOD meeting

Attachment: April 7 meeting agenda

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