



MINUTES | February 14, 2013

7:30 am • Leawood City Hall • 4800 Town Center Drive • Main Conference Room

Members Present: Debra Filla, Julie Cain, Mike Gillaspie, Scott Pashia, Bob Pierson, Mike Schaadt, Chris Schultz

Staff Present: Chris Claxton, Brian Anderson, Marica Putman

Members Absent: Martha Conradt, Alicia Jennings, Gareth Matthews

Guests: None

MEMBERS

Debra Filla, Chair
Julie Cain, Vice-Chair
Martha Conradt
Mike Gillaspie
Alicia Jennings
Gareth Matthews
Scott Pashia
Bob Pierson
Mike Schaadt
Chris Schultz

Scott Lambers,
City Administrator

Kevin Jeffries,
Pres. & CEO Leawood
Chamber of Commerce

Chris Claxton,
Director of Parks
& Recreation

Brian Anderson,
Parks Superintendent

Marica Putman,
Adm. Graphics Tech

✚ Welcome & Introductions

- The SAB meeting came to order at 7:39 am. Chair Filla thanks everyone's effort in making the HOA meeting a grand event.

✚ Approval of today's meeting agenda.

- Scott Pashia made a motion to approve the agenda. Chris Schultz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

✚ Approval of the past meeting minutes.

- Vice-Chair Cain made a motion to approve the January 10th minutes. Scott Pashia seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

✚ Going Green Leadership Award

- Chair Filla read aloud the Going Green Leadership Award certificate, honoring Paul Duffendack for his dedication and service to the green team.

✚ Review HOA Annual

- A wonderful thank you note from Mayor Peggy Dunn was read aloud by Chair Filla. She thanks all who orchestrated a successful 5th Annual HOA Dinner Meeting and enjoyed the presentations.

- The Monkey Survey will go out today.

- Chris Schultz shares Martha Conradt's postmortem of the HOA meeting for feedback.

■ Lodge/Venue

Is it sized appropriately? Are the supporting facilities good? Was the overall comfort level high?

He gives the Lodge high marks as being the perfect place for the event. He did not receive any complaints for the venue.

Chair Filla received compliments for the food (Mexican fare from Cactus Grill) and had much more left. The bar had very little left over. A suggestion would be to another person to do the chips and dips to speed up the line as it took a long time to get everyone served.

ACTION ITEMS

- ✓ Bob } work on display for the next meeting
- ✓ Chair Filla to draft letter for the recycling extravaganza

■ Presentation

Contents? Length? The delivery? Reception by the audience?

The presentation did start later than expected and therefore ran it a little longer.

Chair Filla also felt that this year is the first year that she did sense that people were not in a hurry. There was much more conversation and mingling. Chris Claxton agreed. Very few people left early. The kids were excited about the giveaways so they did not want to leave either.

■ Raffle

The raffle concept worked very well. It was a great incentive for people to fill out the interest cards. There was the right amount of prizes and very well organized. The guys who brought the prizes deserve a big thank you. The only issue is that some of the items did not fit into a car easily but arrangements were made easily enough.

■ Overview

Did we fundamentally feel the objective of the meeting was met? Are we doing what we set out to do with this meeting?

Scott Pashia felt that based on our goals, we did great. Based on the comments from the attendees, they may want us to expand on specific HOA issues, e.g. collecting dues. He is not sure if this is the committee is the facilitator for that. Others agree and discussed the topic further. Suggestions include offering a 5 pm start time for round table discussions about HOA management questions. Chair Filla will follow up with Jim Overbay (Huntington Farms) about leading the round table discussions.

Scott Pashia and Chair Filla discussed school participation and outreach for the education component of the meeting. The kids are so far ahead and already participate in many green efforts. They have discussed that these contests are too much for the schools and may be a dropped as a component of the HOA meeting. It might serve the community best by highlighting green efforts of the schools. The committee is doing more with the walk/bike to school events. Also, if we concentrate on water conservation, maybe change the emphasis into helping every school get a rain garden.

■ Booths

There was a great turn out though Deffenbaugh did not show. Rewards for measureable green efforts have been an issue to track.

■ Speakers

Brian Anderson was in his element as he talked about trees. Michael Schaad was surprised at the level of many of the attendee's advance knowledge of sustainability. Mark Andrasik driving the presentation was great. However, no one was able to see him when it was his turn to present his info. He was the man behind the curtain, the great and powerful OZ.

Members discuss the walk ability of the city and higher the WalkScore increases the value of home. By this time next year the Complete Street master plan will be complete and developed a bit further and the Justice Center will be finished.

■ Misc

Other questions include do we want to host the event again? Is February the right month? Can the event following the February meeting?

Chair Filla thinks that is a great idea. The January meeting can be about laying out our calendar of events for the year. Perhaps schedule the meeting towards the end of the month. This is better for staff due to other events like Arti Gras.

Were there any issues relating to costs and values of the event?

Overall, the cost was less than the other previous meetings. Not all invoices have been sent.

This is a great meeting and thank you to Chris Schultz for keeping us organized and on track. A big thank you goes to Martha Conradt's for her excellent press releases. Chair Filla suggested sending a link for the pictures along with the survey. The PowerPoint presentation looked great, thanks to Marica and all the staff for content.

✚ SAB Planning for the Year

- Chair Filla speaks about our goals from yesteryear to future and what we have accomplished. Members suggested the following:
 - Finding and recognize citizen initiatives (i.e.: Scout projects, etc.)
 - Speakers
 - Awareness – ways to be sustainable
 - Various Green Projects like the LEED House to bring Leawood to the forefront, e.g. Solar – development ordinance to be conducive to implementation. One of the goals and objectives for council is to review our solar issues. Also discuss air quality, natural landscaping, energy audits, etc.

- **Tag line for next meeting:** *High low can you go?*

Light bulbs are great giveaway. Eiko in Lenexa is the 4th largest manufacturer of light bulbs. The owner is Vice-Chair Cain's brother in-law.

Interestingly, many electric companies are giving away light bulbs that are energy efficient. Vice-Chair Cain shared a story about her college student daughter moving into a one bedroom apartment in Cincinnati and was signed up for Dupont Electricity. She was eligible for 12 free light bulbs of a particular brand. Mike Gillaspie shared that these companies are pouring a lot of money into energy efficiency measures because it is a lot cheaper than building new power plants. They are trying to reduce the demand so that they do not have to build new power plants.

- Chair Filla asks the team if instead of essays, they work with the schools in terms of rain gardens, walk to school programs, safe routes, etc. and ask for success stories to promote them. We will talk more about showcasing next year.

Bob Pierson feels that people still do not know what they can recycle and education is still needed. Members discussed recycling issues and options. Chair Filla asked if he could work on having the display he would want for the next meeting.

✚ Misc

- Open Position. Please recruit.
- Thanks to [Mark Andrasik](#) for redesigning the web layout. The goal is to have all the years the events that repeat be posted in January.
- Meeting dates and times remain as is.
- Focus theme is "How low can you go".
- [Vice-Chair Cain](#) suggested providing a means to gather green effort stories and showcase the winner through recognition and achievement, perhaps quarterly. We could highlight the winner in the program guide and provide sign stake to post their achievements on his/her lawn to display their green efforts. [Chair Filla](#) suggested everyone takeaway their idea and for the next meeting, propose an action plan.

✚ Green Mobility Update – Brian Anderson

Complete Streets Policy – Public Works Report & Update on Consultant

- Draft RFP (request for proposal) is done for the Pedestrian Bicycle Master Plan and was submitted to the legal department. The Bicycle Friendly Committee reviewed the draft and it will be revised based on comments received.

Selection Process:

RFP ► Consultant Responds ► Receive packets ► BFC reviews packets ► Narrow Consultant selection to 3 ► Interviews ► BFC will chose a consultant ► Recommendation to Council for approval

- [Vice-Chair Cain](#) suggested a council representative for the review process. [Chair Filla](#) suggested [Chris Claxton](#) and [Brian Anderson](#) to discuss this and then ask the Mayor to appoint a representative.

Walk/Bike to School

- Walk/Bike to school needs to be planned. [Chair Filla](#) may call out a separate meeting for this.

Walking School Bus

- The school nurse [Kristin](#) at Corinth was willing to post a meeting for other schools on walking school buses. Conference call with [Alicia Jennings](#) to help facilitate that.

✚ Recycling

Recycling Extravaganza – April 27th

- Advertise and recruit volunteers, great opportunities for scouts. [Chair Filla](#) will draft an email to send it.

Large Item Recirculation Day – I-435 –135th St. - June 8th

- Gather signage.
- [Bob Pierson](#) will confirm date with JR of Town & Country Disposal.

✚ Conservation

- Chair Filla will follow up on two things:
 - Richard Coleman: In regards to the cistern and update of the development Ordinance
 - Joe Johnson: To come and speak about Best Management Practice to help promote rain barrel offer.
- [Mike Schaadt](#) will meet with [Jennifer Hassler](#) week of March 4th to discuss stream teams. [Chair Filla](#) mentioned that Kate Delehunt, who did the training for us through different grants from Johnson County, said that those grants have been cut back. She suggested that he inquire the cost of hiring a Kate Delehunt for a training session. We

will be reinstating our stream team and get new volunteers. Contact BRWA, KC Waterbug, etc. and how to get that funding.

- Tree programs. We have tried several classes and it did not generate much interest. If interests picks up again, we can bring it back.
- Chris Claxton announced the Tomahawk Trail Spring Cleanup and asked members to spread the word and to recruit interested volunteers.
- Chair Filla expresses appreciation as our group becomes part of the infrastructure of the city and that we strive to become more formalize and set our calendar in January.

Adjourn

- Meeting adjourns at 9:00 am. Next meeting is on April 11th, 2013.
- No Meetings in March, August, and December.