

NORWALK ASSOCIATION OF SILVERMINE HOMEOWNERS (NASH)

Meeting minutes for January 18, 2010

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Karnell.

The meeting took place at 100 Comstock Hill Ave, the home of Lee Levey.

Board members in attendance: Lee Levey, Alex Modica, Leigh Finely, Christine Glidden, Linda Lee, Anne Carbone, Heather Dunn, Christine Names and Kathleen Karnell.

Absent: Brad Hotchkiss.

The meeting was called to order by Lee Levey, President.

Treasurer's report: Linda Lee provided an update in regard to expenditures and revenues. NASH will have approximately \$9,675 net this year. Linda also went back to the bank and combined NASH's checking and money market account and was able to obtain .045% interest. The \$10,000 CD is currently at .085%.

Lee Levey advised that we have allocated \$3,000 in our budget for the plaque to be given to the homes in the historical district. As of now, only five people have contacted NASH for a plaque. We will have additional sums if homeowners decide not to obtain the plaque.

Website: Christine Names advised that there are a few items that need to be completed. We need to update the status of the Silvermine Historical District. Also need to get Expedio (sp) to go through the website for additional small corrections. Christine Glidden advised that she met with Gerry Gleason. He has agreed to send pictures he has from the Historical Dinners. He will send one or two pictures of each person he highlighted at the dinners. We should have this by the next meeting.

Membership Drive: Christine Names advised that she and Linda Lee have updated the membership drive list. There are 700 people in total. The website will be added to the flyer going out, if the website is up and running by then.

Mayor's President Meeting: Christine Names attended the meeting. She was advised that NASH will obtain an activity list of activities that have occurred during the last three months. There was discussion of getting a flashing sign on Silvermine Avenue that would display a motorist's speed. There is also a new schedule for trash and recycling. At the meeting, it was also mentioned that CL&P rates will go down by 5% for Norwalk. The Department of Public Works will be putting down a special mixture to help combat ice. Sand will no longer be

used as it gets washed into the catch basins. Lastly, Keep America Beautiful Cleanup is scheduled for April 24, 2010. Gloves and bags will be supplied by SCA is handling this.

Historic District: Paul Grassiano and Greg Dietrich spoke with Lee Grant and are ready to go. The contract has been signed and they have gotten the first payment. Lee Grant has taken apart the book on Silvermine Avenue. She will send a sheet to neighbors asking about their house, i.e. how old is the house? Any special characteristics? Lee suggested that we send a letter with their Paul and Greg's pictures on it since they will be canvassing the neighborhood. This will accompany the questionnaire.

Nature Habitat: There is nothing to report

249 Silvermine Avenue: Lee Levey advised that feedback from the Wetlands and Watercourse Commission was very well received. Jane Friedman did an excellent job. The hearing has been continued until February 9th. Leigh Levey advised that there are approximately 149 trees at the site and all but 13 will have to be cut down. There is a question as to whether Jane could cross the builder's experts. Jane quoted the state statutes and Mike Green has written a letter advising that she does have the right to cross examine the experts. Lee further the retainer has been used up. He will get a breakdown of what has been spent. Ballpark figure is in the \$13,000range.

501(c) (3): Lee Levey got all of the backup paperwork from Eric Stokes. Hopefully, we will get this completed prior to the house tour.

Election of Officers: NASH has elected the following offices for the 2010 year: Lee Levey as President; Christine Names as Vice President; Linda Lee as Treasurer and Eric as Secretary.

House Tour: The tour has been set for September 25, 2010. We are currently looking at houses that will be used at the house tour. Leigh Finely, Mona Levey and Kathy Karnell will meet in the next two weeks to discuss further.

Miscellaneous: Leigh Levey advised that NASH needs to have stationary made up. Everyone was in agreement with this. Leigh Grant advised that there is new legislation in Connecticut. The state is legislating that people that divert water will have to basically put it back. She foresees that in the future the state will probably end up regulating water use for residents. They are saying that people with wells have something to do with stream flow and therefore may get charged a high rate for water.

Sue advised that at SCA there are looking at safety deposit boxes to store their information. NASH may want to think about this. Lee Levey advised that there is a backup service for computer systems called "Carbonite". This service may be what NASH should consider.

Meeting was adjourned.