

## **Norwalk Association of Silvermine Homeowners (NASH)**

**Meeting minutes for April 20, 2009**

**Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Karnell.**

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

**Board members in attendance:** Leigh Grant, Lee Levey, Alex Modica, Eric Stokes , Christine Names, Leigh Finley, Christine Glidden, Kathleen Karnell, Linda Lee, Christine Glidden, Anne Carbone, Sue Palinkos

**Absent:** Brad Hotchkiss (possibly absent because of a CNNA meeting), Heather Dunn.

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

**Acceptance of the previous meeting minutes:** Accepted

### **Website:**

Leigh Grant, Christine Names, Christine Glidden, Alex and Lee Levey met to review the website. There were certain items that needed to be changed, i.e. the waterfall was too loud, too much going on, etc. Christine Names indicated that we are not sure if there will be a charge for the changes, but certain issues such as the settings, resetting the frame to the left side, removing the waterfall, etc. had to be completed. She also reported that a listing of advertisers and their contact information will appear on the House Tour page. There will also be maps of the historic districts. Jerry Gleason will be contacted to ask for a Silvermine map.

### **Membership Drive:**

Alex reported that NASH has received \$3,200 so far. Maureen Marsh gave a \$250 donation. Christine Names indicated that they found yet another street, Wildwood that was not on the map.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Linda Lee stated that there is a \$22,640 ending balance. Still need to do the two checks for the grant that we are giving from the house tour.

### **Report from the Mayor's Neighborhood Preservation Meeting**

Norwalk received \$1.9M of from the Federal Stimulus Money package to pave roads. This, plus the prior \$4M budgeted, gives Norwalk \$5.9M for road repairs. The City now needs to hire the necessary personnel. Be advised that all residents need to pick up the Resident/Beach Stickers. Residents will undergo a tax check to confirm their motor vehicle taxes are current before the sticker is issued. Stickers have to be picked up at City Hall, Room 120. They can be

picked up Monday and Friday from 7am – 6pm and Saturday, May 23 from 8am-12pm and June 27<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 12pm. There are also 200 smoke detectors available for people who are in need. Please call 854-0240 if you are interested, or know someone that is in need of smoke detectors.

Yard waste will be accepted at the Transfer Station during April, May and June from 7:30 am to 3pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month. Effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, necessary funds will be available to allow the Transfer Station to accept yard waste every Saturday from 7:30 am to 3 pm.

There is a tree liaison needed to represent Silvermine and to assist in determining where trees can be planted. The City will provide the trees and labor to plant the trees. If the trees are planted on private property, they become the owner's responsibility.

**Interchange update:**

Alex stated that everything is quiet at this time. Nothing new to report.

**Historical Update:**

Leigh Grant reported that the nomination of Perry Avenue to the National Register of Historic Places, went for a prior review. We were told it would be a 20<sup>th</sup> century development, so now it has to be rewritten again. Trying to focus on Vernon Pratt. Perry Avenue is difficult because a lot of homes there are from the 1900s. They won't accept 1800 and 1900 century homes. Very frustrating. This nomination has already been changed twice and now has to be redone again.

**Comstock Hill Habitat/Park:**

Lee Levey stated that they are in the process of picking a day to do a walk through with Hal Alverd.

**Silvermine Tavern:**

Lee Levey reported that Peter Lange appears to be looking at the property. Lange's restaurant consultant and one of the chefs looked at it and thought she might be able to do it. He has also heard that it may become a condo/rental, but the big issue is the septic system that would take about \$300K to fix. They would need four new systems in total.

**501(c) (3) Status:**

Kathy Karnell reported that we may be someone who will be able to do the 501(c) for us, economically. Lee Levey is also going to check with another attorney he knows. Leigh Finley motioned and Christine Names second a motion to authorize up to \$3K to get the 501(c) process complete.

**Meeting was adjourned.**