

# Park Springs Neighborhood Association

## Minutes of General Membership Meeting February 5, 2013

**Guest Speaker: Kevin Brackmeyer, Manor ISD Superintendent of Schools – was unable to attend due to a family emergency**

### **I Minutes of Previous Meeting and Treasurer's Report – Treasurer's Report - \$2,675.62**

### **II Reports of Neighborhood Developments from President and Board (see Newsletter)**

#### Manor City area:

\* Auto Zone is open \*Wal-Mart says it will 'go to bid' in March (Wal-Mart building construction coordinated with TxDOT road construction) \*McDonald's site will be at north-east corner of US 290 and Lexington \*Construction of new Manor City Hall (old Lions Club, with addition) may begin soon \*700+ acres of remaining lots of Shadow Glen residential have been sold, but Dwyer Realty will continue as project manager \*Ramos plans a 'sports bar' expansion in the old 'chop shop' area.

#### Within PSNA Territory:

\*Construction is underway on 20-acre Austin Energy substation near Taylor Lane \*Seismic booms on Austin Energy 'Webberville Tract; \*Approval of site plan – Falcon Containers located at 15301 Hogeye Rd Building 2 has made application with the City of Austin to expand existing office, storage and work area for a shipping container warehouse facility; \* FM 969 – portions of the road will be closed on April 21, 2013 to accommodate a bicycle race sponsored by the National MS Society. The Hitching Post on FM 969 will be used as a rest stop.

#### Nearby PSNA Territory:

\*Pre-application has been filed for 80-unit low income housing project at intersection of FM 973 and Murchison Rd; \*Allied Waste/Republic has bought land at south-west intersection of US 290 and SH 130 – short-term use to haul dirt from there to cover existing landfill on Giles Rd --proposed long-term use as a transfer facility; \*Compost facility at 3600 North FM 973 (about 3.3 miles north of SH 71 -- south of 969 and west of 973): \*80+ acres for composting meat, animal carcasses and fish, oil and grease and dairy liquids, and vegetative , fruit clean wood and manure waste. **It was noted that this action cannot be contested because it has been approved by TCEQ.**

#### Saturday, May 11 Elections

\*Manor Mayor and 2 City Council Members and 2 Manor ISD Board members

### **IV Reports and concerns from Members – (1) John Beal has been working to get tires that have been dumped on County Line Road cleaned up. (2) Linda Shaw is on the Austin Electric Commission and helped draft a proposal to change the governance of Austin Energy. Of the twelve households in attendance at the meeting, 5 households currently receive their electrical service from Austin Energy and Austin Energy is**

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currently managed/supervised by the Austin City Council. The Commission adopted a new supervisory structure and Mayor Leffingwell is in favor of a proposal similar to San Antonio's management of their energy. Currently the funds collected by Austin Energy are going into a 'general fund transfer' account and the City Council can vote to take funds from this general fund for any projects they see fit which means it is a "slush fund" at the Council's disposal. \$80 million has been transferred from the Austin Energy account to the City Council budget. The question is: Do we want an independent board to run the Austin utility instead of the Austin City Council? (3) John Williams reported that Allied Waste has purchased a parcel of land at Highway 290/SH 130 to construct a transfer facility. Dirt from this location will be used to "cover up" the landfill on Johnny Morris Road by the 2015 deadline.

**V Old Business - None**

**VI New Business – (1)** President John Williams will appoint a nominating committee to propose a set of officers for the May 7, 2013 meeting. Officer positions include President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Web Master. Two advisors are to be appointed by the President.

(2) President John Williams suggested a monthly newsletter to PSNA members. Motion passed. Webmaster Sharon Bramblett will post the monthly newsletters on the PSNA website.

(3) Attendance at last October's National Night Out resulted in only 30 participants. Perhaps there is no longer an interest in having NNO since it has been sponsored numerous times in the past? The Board will discuss ending National Night Out in October and have the November general meeting as the final quarterly meeting for 2013.

**VII.** The next general membership meeting is Tuesday, May 7, 2013 at Crowe's Nest Farm. One of the agenda topics will be the election of officers for 2013.

**VII Adjourn-** the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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