



Board Minutes

Meeting Time: 11 Mar 13, 6:00 PM

Location:

*Knox Presbyterian Church
806 W. Knox Avenue
Spokane WA 99205*

Attendees

Board: Don Cain, Dick Raymond, KC Traver, Phyllis Holmes, Rich Bryant, and Nick Nickoloff.
Friends: Bob Voris and Mary Lee Nickoloff.

Agenda Notes

1. Chair's Call to Order (D. Cain) at 6:05 pm;

- *Don announced that he anticipated this to be an abbreviated meeting due to the Gonzaga Basketball Team playing for the Conference Tournament Title at the same time.*

- **Administrative Items**

Don asked that the thank-you letter to Mick McDowell include a reminder that Mick's help networking with other organizations would be much appreciated. KC has the action to complete a draft for Board review and signature/mailing by Don.

- **"In the News" Items**

Nothing reported for the month.

2. Vice President's Report: (D. Raymond)

- *The website has experienced 21,358 contact hits from inception to date with 269 hits occurring since our last meeting in February 2013.*

3. Treasurer's Report: (N. Nickoloff)

- *The organization's account balance stands at **\$2,918.01** all bills paid and none pending. This represents no change from the Feb '13 account balance.*

4. Secretary's Report: (K.C. Traver)

- **Minutes from previous Board Meeting**

*Action: Nick Nickoloff moved to approve the minutes from the 11 Feb '13 meeting. The motion was seconded by Dick Raymond and was **approved** by unanimous vote of the members present. Dick will post the approved minutes to the InlandRail.org website.*

- *KC provided two informational updates: 1) He reported on his attendance at the Mayor's Ball & Fundraiser where he networked the topic of rail transit, 2) He gave a synopsis on the comments provided at the Urban Growth Boundary hearing recently conducted by the Board of County Commissioners. He thinks this gets to the core of one of light rail's strongest attributes regarding attracting development in the urban core versus growth beyond where critical infrastructure and services currently exist.*

5. Old Business

- *No further actions are reported regarding the previous meeting with Mr. Scott Chesney, Director of Planning for the City of Spokane.*
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6. New Business

- *There was a general discussion regarding current planning efforts by the City of Spokane Valley to create a pedestrian trail along the existing public corridor that is also partially reserved for high capacity transit. The board members were generally supportive of the initiative as somewhat consistent with a future transit project. Some expressed reservations about placement geometry interfering with a future rail system but others said it appears that the current concept does accommodate future transit.*
- *There was an open discussion regarding the next possible candidate for presentation. Don Cain offered to meet with Jack Strong, owner of "Strong Solutions" computer sales/service business in the Sprague Corridor.*
- *KC Traver initiated discussions regarding Board consideration for purchase of a projector to be owned by InlandRail.org and used for future presentations, as required.*
- *Action: Board members agreed to research requirements, specifications, etc. and report back at the April meeting regarding recommendations for purchase of a projector.*

7. Public Relations and Outreach (Trudy Raymond)

- *Nothing to report.*

8. Comments by General Membership

- *Nothing provided.*

9. Comments by Board Members

- *Phyllis suggested we research our Facebook site for a potential candidate (Sherry Jones) who has reportedly expressed interest in becoming a friend of InlandRail.org.*

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:50 pm.

Next Scheduled Meeting: 8 April '13/6:00 pm at the regular location; Knox Presbyterian Church.