

Board Minutes

Meeting Time: 10 Jun '13, 6:00 PM

Location:

Knox Presbyterian Church 806 W. Knox Avenue Spokane WA 99205

Attendees

<u>Board</u>: *Don Cain, Dick Raymond, KC Traver, Phyllis Holmes, Rich Bryant, and Nick Nickoloff.* <u>Friends</u>: *Mary Lee Nickoloff, and Trudy Raymond*.

Agenda Notes

- 1. Chair's Call to Order (D. Cain) at 6:15 pm;
 - Administrative Items Nothing to report.
 - "In the News" Items

Rich Bryant reported on the Spokane Valley pedestrian/bicycle trail planning to date. It was his impression that the current proposal intends to consume the entire width of the county owned former railroad right-of-way. It was agreed that follow-up discussions with Mike Stone (Parks & Rec) or Steve Worley (Planning) would be useful.

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

- The website has experienced 21,951 contact hits from inception to date with 178 hits occurring since our last meeting in May 2013.
- Dick provided a brief summary of the organizational website's email master list options for the Board.

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

• The organization's account balance stands at \$2,483.22 following a previously approved purchase of a projector for use in presentations by the organization. There are no other outstanding expense items pending.

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

- Minutes from previous Board Meeting;
- <u>Action</u>: Rich Bryant moved to approve the minutes from the 13 May '13 meeting and Phyllis Holmes seconded the motion. The minutes were **approved** by unanimous vote of the members present. Dick will post the minutes to the InlandRail.org website.

5. Old Business

- 1) Liberty Lake Days: Nick Nickoloff reported he is awaiting written confirmation of our requested booth space in the upcoming community event. InlandRail.org will perform outreach on Saturday, 27 Jul '13. (Open).
- 2) STA Long-Term Planning: KC Traver commented on the Civilian Advisory Panel's report to the STA Board regarding their review of options for Spokane Valley. Light rail remains in the long-term plan for the South Valley Corridor being developed by the Spokane Transit Authority. (Closed)
- 3) Spokane Airport Master Plan: Phyllis Holmes reported on her participation in a public comment open house held in downtown Spokane as part of the planning update process. She indicated the plan continues to retain light rail as a long-term strategy. Rich Bryant indicated that he also attended a public comment event that was held in Spokane Valley for the Airport Master Plan. (Closed)

6. New Business

- 1) Website Communications: A proposed announcement of our website's new ability to provide mass notifications and email list corrections was discussed by the Board. An initial announcement message was developed for distribution by the President to all members and friends of InlandRail.org.
- 2) SRTC Updates: Rich Bryant indicated that he had requested he be added to the list for automatic, recurring updates on SRTC meetings and action items.

7. Public Relations and Outreach (Trudy Raymond)

• *Nothing to Report.*

8. Comments by General Membership

• None.

9. Comments by Board Members

• The Board conducted a general discussion of an article recently published in the Spokane Journal of Business on transit oriented development (TOD) in the Puget Sound area specifically driven by and incorporated into further development of the regional light rail system. It was suggested that we submit a follow-up article that presents the potential for TOD in the Spokane Region, as identified during the project's development. KC Traver volunteered to draft an article for consideration by the Board and/or publication in the JOB.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 pm.

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