

Minutes

SBNA Board Meeting Nov 12, 2025

The meeting was convened at approximately 7:05 pm.

The minutes from the last Board meeting, 8/13/25 were unanimously approved.

Three board member positions for 2026-2028 were re-elected at the October 19th Annual Meeting and subsequently by email: Doug McCarty, Kerry Silvey, and Rolly Thompson.

Future of board – The SBNA Bylaws require 9-11 members. Currently we have 8 Board Members. So far, we have not found anyone interested in being on the Board. The possibility of amending the bylaws to require at least 7 Board Members was discussed. It was decided to try and recruit at least one additional member rather than amending the Bylaws.

Maureen asked who might be interested in coordinating the wine tasting, picnic, and annual meeting for next year. Kerry and Doug volunteered to coordinate the picnic for late spring . Coordination of the wine tasting (late summer) and annual meeting (fall) was deferred to the next Board meeting.

John asked if there are adjacent neighborhood groups to coordinate efforts with. Ideas included Lower Fox Hollow, Macbeth, and the Grange. We will consider inviting neighbor groups to participate in the picnic and wine tasting when planning events.

SBNA Officers were unanimously elected for 2026: President – Rolly Thompson, Vice President – Michelle DeKlyen, Secretary – Bob Reeves, Treasurer – Rachel Ruckman. Maureen suggested that the role of President be rotated among the Board for one year each and that the most recent past President assist the new president. The Board agreed to this idea.

The 2026 Board meeting dates were set: Second Wednesday of February, May, August, November: Feb 11th, May 13th, Aug 12th, Nov 11th.

Michelle said Mary Kate Makey is open to showing her garden in May (before she moves). Michelle will ask Mary Kate what exact dates work best.

Kerry shared members only website updates and functionality. One next step is to add a “blog” for members to post announcements, current information such as road conditions during a storm, and electricity outages. Kerry also shared the idea to use the blog to gather information of interest to members that would then be posted on the website such as what plants deer don’t eat in our area, what I wish I knew when I moved to the area. ODF is sending out monthly firewise tip which Kerry will post on website.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06