



SANTA MONICA CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Board Minutes

Minutes, May 20, 2008

Recoorded by Marilyn Wexler.

Attendance: Jennifer Barker, Lisa Bittan, Betty Bradshaw, Andrew Bergman, Bob Bronstein, Mike Deasy, Quentin Fleming, Judy Golden, Babs Lebowsky, Isabelle Mizrahi, John Murphy, Alejandro Ortiz, Lani Pagano, Marilyn Wexler, George Wolfberg

Excused: Jill Baldauf, Dawn Forrester, Joan Graves, Sanford Panitch, Cynthia Winter, Elizabeth Zaillian

Guests: none.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 by President George Wolfberg.

Introductions:

Minutes April 15 2008.

The minutes from April were approved.

Treasurer's report:

Savings	\$ 2,841.10
Checking	6,987.66
Certificate	10,736.16
Total	<hr/> \$ 20,564.92

Membership: There are currently 374 paid / voting members.

Election: The Board elected the following officers for the 2008-09 year: George Wolfberg, President; Steve Richard, Vice-president, Marilyn Wexler, Secretary; Babs Lebowsky, Treasurer; and Dawn Forrester, Assistant Secretary..

.Old Business.

- **Prop. K Project/Prop. 12.** No new update.
- **California Incline Project.** No new update, waiting for EIR update estimated to happen in late August.

- **John Flynn Memorial Bench.** No new update on replacement bench.
- **Neighborhood Character Study.** No new report.
- **Planning for Eucalyptus Forest.** The plan is to obtain an arborist as a consultant to draft a plan and then to raise funds to implement it.
- **Annual Meeting.** All agreed that Randy Young was great; that Isabelle's PR signs were great. Power problems in the auditorium need to be worked out. Individual board members should be available outside the door to sign up new members.
- **State Park Closure.** Governor Schwarznegger has rescinded his plan for the closure of numerous State parks.

Other Business

- **Chevron Pole Sign.** The pole sign has received new facing at the Chevron gas station on PCH/Entrada, in apparent violation of the Palisades Village Specific Plan. George has requested that City officials look at the situation..
- **Heal the Bay report.** Water Quality Report to be issued May 22. It was noted that the pond at the end of Chautauqua needs to be drained if the canyon is to have a chance for a Summer "A+" rating.
- **Public Comment at Board Meetings.** Bob Bronstein led a discussion regarding public speaking policy and board / audience member comment policy. Possibly limiting the time for public comment is an option Bob and Marilyn Wexler will look at..
- **Loitering in Chautauqua Tunnel.** Jennifer Rivera will follow up to see if "No Loitering" signs can be placed at the tunnel.
- **Zone Variance for 309 E. Rustic Road.** A variance has been applied for which would allow carports over the channel on E. Rustic expanding parking for two houses near West Channel Road to 4 spaces. One of the parcels is basically land-locked and will have no off-street parking when the current spots on a neighboring lot are used for a remodel.
- **Landscaping for West Channel Triangle.** Local residents, Norb and Cindy Hackett have proposed that the vacant area at West Channel Triangle, near Canyon School be landscaped. PRIDE has been contacted and the Hackett's looking for local volunteers to help out. Bob Murphy and Marilyn Wexler volunteered to assist. A PRIDE meeting will be held at 7:30 AM on Wednesday June 18 whether the proposal will be discussed. A motion was made and passed that the BOD supports the concept, subject to review of the details.
- **Future BOD meetings.** June 17, July 15, and August 19. One of these maybe deleted.

Adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting.

June 17.