



## SANTA MONICA CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION

### Board Minutes

September 15, 2009

**Recorded by:** Marilyn Wexler

**Attending** Jill Baldauf, Andrew Bergman, , Norman Cowie, Mike Deasy, Dawn Forrester, Judy Golden, Joan Graves, John Murphy, Lani Pagano, Alexandra Sparling, Anne Marie Veschio, Marilyn Wexler, Cynthia Winter, George Wolfberg

**Excused:**, Bob Bronstein, Leslie Hope, Sanford Panitch, Steve Richards,

**Guests:** Jessyca Avalos (Councilman Rosendahl), Stephen Boyers, Andy Flores (City Engineer's office), Callie Hurd (Senator Fran Pavley), Irene Stern

**A minute of silence was held for Babs Lebowsky.**

**Meeting was gaveled to order at 7:07 by George Wolfberg, President.**

**Introductions:**

**Minutes July 21, 2009.**

The minutes from July 21<sup>st</sup> were approved. John Murphy moved and Joan Graves seconded.

**Election of Treasurer.** Anne Marie Veschio elected treasurer.

**Calli Hurd.** Calli Hurd , Representative Fran Pavley's staff person introduced herself.

**Treasurer's report: (08/31/09)**

Savings	\$ 7,841.97
Checking	7,937.55
Certificate	11,406.88
Total	<u>\$27,218.70</u>

**Membership:** There are currently 325 paid/voting members.

**Briefing/update LA City water quality improvements projects.** Andy Flores, Bureau of Engineering, City of Los Angeles, gave an update on the Santa Monica Canyon Low Flow Diversion (LFD) upgrade project. The project is funded by Prop O monies. This LFD project will work year around unless it is actually raining. The project is integrated with improvements that the County will make including an inflatable dam located adjacent to the current diversion which will be retained as a back up facility.

The City is waiting for Cal Trans conditions regarding the portion of a related project that will require trenching in PCH and Mr. Flores agreed to share this information with the Association when received. Mr. Flores also revealed that not all the downstream drains will be captured by the upgraded LFD.

After discussion of this aspect of the project the board unanimously adopted a motion to send a letter to the Prop O supervisor, Kendrick Okuda, urging that all the drains be captured by the new project even is a change order is needed to assure successful project.

### **Old Business.**

- **Prop. K Project.** Jessyca Avalos gave a comprehensive report including a review of the City Engineer's priorities previously sent out. Steve Boyers, a LVNOC member, expressed strong support for the priority list, stressing that it is time for the City to complete this long-stalled project asap.
- **California Incline Project EIR Pending.** The Environmental Report has been delayed again with the newest estimate being the "end of the year."
- **Bluffs project.** Project out to bid, Construction expected to start in early October.
- **Neighborhood Character Study/Hillside Ordinance.** Hillside map reconfiguration has been approved by the PLUM committee and will go to the City Council for vote.
- **Eucalyptus Forest plan preparation report.** PAB meeting to be held this Thursday evening. Community watering led by Chris Casady is continuing.
- **Rustic canyon Rec. Center "wish list".** The Rec Center is in need of the following donations; craft supplies, computer supplies, a piano, sports equipment, sofas and a color printer. Lani, Marilyn and Elizabeth Z volunteered to seek donations for these items. It was discussed whether or not to use Association funds for this.
- **Pond at PCH tunnel:** The LFD project is expected to eliminate this continuing issue..
- **Entrada/Adelaide.** Street Use Inspection is still following up on this dangerous sidewalk..

### **Other Business.**

- **Street bumps.** Jessyca announced that the new street bump on Mesa is illegal and has been reported and that L.A. DOT is looking into it. She also says that currently there is no funding for the speed bumps program.
- **7<sup>th</sup> street and San Vicente Blvd.** Marilyn and George reported on their meeting with the City of Santa Monica Senior Traffic Engineer regarding this corner. Nothing to report.
- **Committee list.** The committee list was reviewed and amended. Please see the latest version pasted in below.
- **Support for the Hacket's landscaping grant application.** The following board members will be signing the application for a Community Beautification Grant: Mike Deasy, Joan Graves, Andrew Bergman, Norman Cowie, and Elizabeth Zaillian.

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm.**

**Next meeting: October 20.**

## SMCCA BOARD COMMITTEES 2009-2010

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COMMITTEE	MEMBERS
ANNUAL MEETING PLANNING AND EXECUTION	<b>Marilyn Wexler, Elizabeth Zaillian</b> , Chris Casady, Dawn Forrester, John Murphy, Sanford Panitch, Steve Richards
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE	<b>Bob Bronstein</b> , Jill Baldauf, Jennifer Barker, Leslie Hope, Lani Pagano
NEWSLETTER PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION	Chris Casady, Joan Graves, Anne Marie Veschio, Cynthia Winter, <b>George Wolfberg</b>
EUCALYPTUS GROVE	<b>Chris Casady</b> , Norman Cowie, Steve Richards, Elizabeth Zaillian,
NOMINATING COMMITTEE	<b>Steve Richards</b> , Andrew Bergman, Judy Golden, Isabelle Mizrahi, Elizabeth Zaillian
HILLSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER	<b>Marilyn Wexler</b> , Norman Cowie, Mike Deasy, Elizabeth Zaillian
OCEAN WATER QUALITY	<b>Andrew Bergman</b> , Jill Baldauf, Mike Deasy, Lani Pagano, George Wolfberg, Elizabeth Zaillian
NOT ON A COMMITTEE	Lisa Bittan, Quentin Fleming, Alexandra Sparling

NOTE; COMMITTEE CHAIRS NOTED IN **BOLDFACE**.

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