

SANTA MONICA CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Board Minutes September 10, 2013

Recorded by: Lorraine Todd

Attending: Andrew Bergman, Sara Boyers, Bob Bronstein, Mike Deasy, Stone Douglass, Dawn Forrester, Nina Houghton, Sharon Kilbride, Isabelle Mizrahi, Chris Moore, Reese Relfe, Dan Seaver, Lori Todd, Marilyn Wexler, Cynthia Winter, George Wolfberg

Excused: Lisa Bittan, Wesley Hough, Sanford Panitch, Steve Richards, Ron

Staake, Nico Vilgiate

Absent: Stephen Malley, David Wang

Guest: Jaqueline Koci

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Chris Moore, President.

Introductions

Minutes August 13, 2013.

Minutes from August 13, 2013 meeting deemed approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Ron Staake not present, emergency arose. As of the last meeting:

 Savings
 \$ 14,963.26

 Checking
 17,505.62

 Total
 \$ 32,468.96

Grove balance included in above: \$2,836.47

PAB fundraising included in above: \$3,688.24

Funds allocated for new web site: \$1,000

Park-It Report:

Bob Bronstein: Sept 21st next

Membership: Dues: No Board members in arrears.

Other Business:

Parks: Jackie Koci:

First spoke about Movies in the Park, made \$150-200 net, volunteers work free and license fee is about \$150; goal is to break even. Tennis courts: they are wrapping up the fencing, benches, screens. Fundraiser made about \$17,000, have \$5,000 remaining. Cost to completion of course should be determined at next PAB, meeting. Need about \$9000 to finish the screens. Summer camp great this year. Having a big Halloween Haunted House on Oct 26. Discussion of availability of entire park for private parties, permits about \$500 plus cost of staff, and must close by 10:00 pm. Baseball field is fenced off again, dogs had been running loose ruining the grounds, takes 8 weeks to grow back. Chris promised 2 file cabinets for SMCCA documents to be stored; Jackie agreed to provide space.

Tracking of City Initiatives:

George Wolfberg reported on focus groups to work on issues, zoning, murals ordinance, Municipal Code permitting tickets for certain offenses, and a proposal being fought that would permit Rustic Canyon's "open space" to be used for a "maintenance shed" by the city.

Pot Lucks: Sara Boyers spoke about community building

Budget Items for Approval:

1. SMCCA new Website:

Chris Moore spoke about budget needed to set it up, and stated that a mock up will be sent to the Board for comments shortly. Stone Douglass reported that the bid to set up the new website was \$3,500 for the first year, then small annual hosting fees.

- 2. Sharon Kilbride: \$5,000 for cemetery wall repair, of which Chris offers \$2,500 from SMCCA
- 3. George Wolfberg: \$5,000 Grove, \$1,500 for Movies in the Park for 2014 (no guarantee beyond that).

Marilyn Wexler moved to approve the above budget items totaling \$12,500; George Wolfberg seconded, PASSED with no objections.

Adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Future Meetings: Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10, 2013 **2014:** Jan. 14, Feb. 11, Mar. 11, Apr. 8, May 13 (ANNUAL MEETING), Jun. 10.

Santa Monica Canyon Projects

Project	Description	Status
Rehabilitate Historic Eucalyptus Grove/ 1887 Forestry Station site	Protect and restore grove purchased by SMCCA and City on 3/11/54.	Pending items: completion of three arbors, final placement of protective boulders and curbs, planting of trees and shrubs per plan, installation of tree map and acknowledgement feature.
Repair Tennis Courts	Resurface courts, repair nets and fencing	Three courts finished; three to go. PAB fundraiser held 6/2/13. Funding status:
New web site	Create and install robust new website	Beta pending
California Incline	City of Santa Monica will rebuild Santa Monica Incline Bridge. Monitor project to minimize traffic impacts on canyon to the greatest possible extent	Engineering drawings underway. Review of preliminary Traffic Management Plan is pending
Brooktree speed humps	Restore speed humps removed for Brooktree resurfacing	City Council office investigating
Resurface Gym Floor		PAB fundraiser held 6/2/13. Additional funding needed
Monthly ParkIt work day	General Park Cleanup	Next: 9/21/13
Entrada sidewalk improvements.	Installation of proper sidewalks on Entrada Dr. from Amalfi to Adelade and, if possible, on Upper Mesa Rd.	Project is in design.
Improve safety of beach bike and ped. paths.	Separate ped path is required from Annenberg to Temescal Canyon lot	All talk, no action.
Restoration of the Canyon stairs		
City funding for tree work.		
Clean up of the tunnel at Chautauqua.		

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Rehab of historic clubhouse		
Improve the Board-Canyon school relationship		
Improve digital communications with Canyon community		
Individual liaisons from the Board to local organizations		
Establish an annual budget process		
Support for Cemetery		
PAB Liaison		
Transportation/traffic issues		
Offer educational courses at the Park		
Membership survey to determine priorities		