

## 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, Sharon Kilbride, Isabelle Mizrahi, Chris Moore, Sanford Panitch, Reese Relfe, Steve Richards, Dan Seaver, Ron Staake, Lori Todd, Nico Vilgiate, David Wang, Marilyn Wexler, Cynthia Winter, George Wolfberg

Excused: Lisa Bittan, Wesley Hough, Nina Houghton,

**Absent:** Stephen Malley

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

Introductions

Minutes September 10, 2013.

Minutes from September 10, 2013 meeting deemed approved.

# Treasurer's Report:

Ron Staake:

A little over \$30,000 remaining after the recent disbursements.

Chris – we didn't support the Theater, which we should discuss still.

# **Chris Moore, President's Report:**

Chris Moore regretfully has to resign, as he had emailed the Board earlier last week. A medical situation in the family just became known, and the business requires more vigorous attention, including a commitment to be mostly in Pittsburg for 6 months; continuing with SMCCA is not tenable. However, the last meeting notes were quite thorough, and he has given us what he was working on. George Wolfberg commended Chris for his passion and energy in getting things done, especially the tennis court project. Election of new President: George Wolfberg nominated Marilyn Wexler, Lori Todd seconded, passed. Chris Moore passed the virtual gavel to Marilyn Wexler, President.

## Marilyn Wexler:

We need two committees: Nominating and Annual Meeting Committees. Nico Vilgiate, Sharon Kilbride and Dan Seaver will serve as the Nominating Committee. Annual Meeting Committee: Marilyn would like two people to work together on this who can get a program together for the roughly two hour event

in the second week of May. We have the hospitality items like coffee, cookies are handled already. Dawn Forrester, Nico Vilgiate and Bob Bronstein all volunteered. With Chris Moore and Sara Boyers both resigning from the PAB, Marilyn would like a replacement to be SMCCA-PAB liason.

## Stone Douglass (Website):

We need a people in addition to Stone to help with the website. Marilyn asked that he get a committee put together; Stone will send an email around for volunteers. Nico Vilgiate, Lori Todd, Sara Boyers and George Wolfberg were added.

#### Park-It Report:

Bob Bronstein: Sept 21st went as well as the first one, not as many people but productive. The next one will be helping with the Halloween Haunted House from 9 – 12:00 on October 26.

**Membership:** Dues: No Board members in arrears. There are two vacancies currently on the Board.

#### George Wolfberg report (PCH Task Force, CIRS, California Incline):

Sewer Replacement project.: The City is closing a lane of PCH for this and they made no provisions for bike riders on the highway, so Debbie Dyner Harris is following up on that and he is following up with her. We have made many recommendations for the expected traffic issues. The city traffic reps are going to meet with Norm Kulla from Councilman Bonin's office and George Wolfberg. in the next few weeks. There is a vacancy for an alternate rep on the Community Council for this geographical area, and volunteers need to submit their names within 15 days - speak to George if interested. Steve Boyers resigned. Entrada sidewalk: Neighbor Mark Landay (600 Entrada) put together a meeting this morning with City engineers and CD11 representive. The area was walked by all. Mark's intent is to get the city to reduce the width of Entrada and increase the sidewalk to 5 feet. This is an ongoing project, with no real specifics on timing. A survey was ordered in 2011 and has not been completed.. The Grove: Randy Young and crew will be completing final boulder placement beginning October 18. They will mark the pre-dug holes for the trees, and plan to prepare stakes/cages for the tree planting to occur at a future date.

#### **New Business:**

Sharon Kilbride: On October 22, Channel 58/PBS, Art Baron's historical documentary film about preserving the historic Marquez family cemetery will be televised.

# Adjourned at 8:05 pm.

**Future Meetings:** 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 Parklt work day	General Park Cleanup	Next: 10/26/13
Entrada sidewalk improvements.	Installation of proper sidewalks on Entrada Dr. from Amalfi to Adelaide 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		Still need
Transportation/traffic issues		
Offer educational courses at the Park		
Membership survey to determine priorities		