

SANTA MONICA CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION

# **Board Minutes** February 18, 2014

Recorded by: Marilyn Wexler

**Attending:** Andrew Bergman, Sara Boyers, Bob Bronstein, Dawn Forrester, Wesley Hough, Nina Houghton, Sharon Kilbride, Isabelle Mizrahi, Sanford Panitch, Reese Relfe, Dan Seaver, Julie Silliman, Ron Staake, David Wang, Marilyn Wexler, Cynthia Winter, George Wolfberg

**Excused:** Lisa Bittan, Mike Deasy, Steve Richards

Absent: Stone Douglass, Stephen Malley, Lori Todd, Nico Vilgiate

**Guests:** Sam Morrissey(Santa Monica DOT), Zach Pollard (Santa Monica Calif. Incline), Jared Morgan (Pali Post), Jackie Koci, Doug Suisman (BOCA), Merlin Gaspers, Steve Slavkin (PAB), Chris Ahearn, Maela Mayer, Cathy Russell (PPCC), Elisabet Spaulding, Jona Frank (BOCA)

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Marilyn Wexler, President.

#### Introductions

#### Minutes 2013.

Minutes from January 12, 2014; motion made and passed to approve minutes.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Ron Staake submitted report prior to meeting.

 Checking
 \$14,450.70

 Savings
 \$14,964.05

 Total
 \$29,414.75

 Grove balance
 \$ 2,458.39

California Incline Report. Sam Morrissey and Zach Pollard from the City of Santa Monica presented a detailed one hour long report on the status of the California Incline Project, which is expected start this coming September and last 18 months. The Board then decided that a California Incline Working Group should be formed that would be in regularly scheduled meetings with the City of Los Angeles DOT, WLA PD Traffic, CD-11 staff and Santa Monica City Incline Project. The following have volunteered to

make up this group; George, Marilyn, Doug Suisman, Jona Frank. George will contact PPCC and request a volunteer from the Palisades geographical area. Marilyn will contact CD-11 to ask them to set this up.

# **Committee Reports:**

**Nominating:** Motion made and passed to add Julie Silliman to the board.

Annual Meeting: Bob Bronstein reported. The meeting will be held May 13<sup>th</sup>. Marilyn will contact and invite Officer Moore. The meeting is on Councilman Bonin's schedule. Limiting the time for questions was discussed and it was decided to ask for questions at the beginning of the meeting and to have them written down on cards. Frank Langden is working on the photo display of canyon folks. It was suggested to set up a table which would have Santa Monica Traffic handouts.

**Traffic:** Marilyn reported that due to the decrease in the City's level of violent crime some of those officers have been moved to Traffic, WLA has 33 new Traffic officers. Expect to see an increased visual presence of Traffic Patrol in CD-5 and CD-11.

**Grove:** George reported the update on the grove. Project is moving right along. Cycads are going in as soon as irrigation to the cycad bed is installed. The dedication is scheduled for June 7<sup>th</sup> as part the Rustic Nights event at the park.

**Website update:** Still a work in progress, committee reformed and now includes Sara, Marilyn, Nina, Nico and George. They have met and went over numerous sample templates and are actively looking for a website builder.

Park Update: Jackie reported that the Rustic Nights event is scheduled for June 7; that a women's self defense class will be added in late March; that there is interest in doing a repeat "coffee in the park" event. The monies from the coffee event go directly to Rustic Cyn Park. Spring festival is scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup>. Parklt, Next event will be scheduled for April. If you have any park issues including maintenance, Jackie can be reached at <a href="mailto:jaqueline.koci@lacity.org">jaqueline.koci@lacity.org</a>. Park Advisory Board meets the third Tuesday most months.

**George Reports:** PCH task force-no new report. CIRS-no new report.

**Canyon School report:** Julie Silliman reports that April 21 will be an improve and enlarge the Native garden day. Volunteers are encouraged.

**Old Business:** Newsletter. The newsletter is completed, the board labeled the mailing envelopes and it will go in the mail tomorrow.

Adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Future Meetings 2014: Mar. 11, Apr. 8, May 13 (ANNUAL MEETING), Jun. 10.

## **NEXT MEETING IS March 11**