

SANTA MONICA CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Board Minutes April 8th, 2014

Recorded by: Rachael Kuhnert

Attending: Andrew Bergman, Lisa Bittan, Mike Deasy, Dawn Forrester, Wesley Hough, Sharon Kilbride, Rachel Kuhnert, Reese Relfe, Dan Seever, Ron Staake, Nico Vilgiate, Marilyn Wexler, George Wolfberg,

Excused: Sara Boyers, Bob Bronstein, Nina Houghton, Isabelle Mizrahi,

Cynthia Winter

Absent: Stone Douglass, Stephen Malley, Lori Todd, David Wang

Guest: Jackie Koci, Doug Suisman

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

Introductions

Minutes 2014.

Minutes from March 11th, 2014. Minutes deemed approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Ron Staake submitted report prior to meeting. As of March 31, 2014.

Checking \$16,088.69 Savings \$14,964.28 Total \$31,052.97 Grove balance \$2,526.78

Election of New Secretary: Rachael Kuhnert nominated by George Wolfberg, seconded by Marilyn Wexler. Motion approved by the board.

Committee Reports:

Annual Meeting: Board members are requested to arrive at 6:00 PM to facilitate setup. Recap of attendees expected includes Councilman Mike Bonin. In addition our Senior Lead Officer, Michael Moore is confirmed, and Sam Morrissey. Frank Langen will be staging a photographic display of notable Santa Monica residents. Emergency Preparedness table: Sharon Kilbride to invite boy scout troop; Dawn Forrester to request Red Cross attendance.

To facilitate the Q&A session, cards will be handed out for attendees to submit questions for representatives.

Traffic: Marilyn reported West LAPD have had no meetings for the past two months. The PCH one-lane closure for the Sewer project commences April 15th; Doug Suisman will document any problems that arise to aid in preparing an operational plan for problems when Cal Incline project begins.

CPAB last meeting focused on emergency preparedness; how will police work with neighbors/ communities in rerouting traffic. They will undertake a field trip to the harbor as a study.

Grove: A re-dedication date has been set for Thursday, May 29th at 9:30am. Councilman Bonin will be present. SMCAA will reward David Card in gratitude for work done well above and beyond his contract. The BOD agreed upon \$5000.00, from the general funds, to be given to David. Donations for trees are \$200 each are encouraged and still being accepted. In addition, please feel free to pull weeds whenever walking in the Grove; five minutes a week per person and we can get rid of the tall weeds.

Website update: No new update. Marilyn and George are looking for a new designer.

Park Update: Spring Festival will run from 11-3pm on April 19th. The egg hunt is scheduled for midday. Jackie says that there is a Rustic Cyn Nights meeting scheduled for next week.

George Reports: The Coastal Interceptor Relief Sewer project (CIRS) one-lane PCH closure commences April 15th. This will last a year and will see alternating lanes Mon-Fri. and two lane closure for night work. Sat. lane adjustments not figured out yet.

Recent report on the safety of the PCH saw accident figures as level year on year. The Pier Bridge is in need of reconstruction; an EIR is expected by December 16th.

Caltrans is preparing project to widen the shoulder by the Bel-Air Bay Club (this is an \$8m project.)

September is still the target to commence the Cal Incline closure, however Caltrans must still sign-off, and approval given by the California Coastal Commission.

Post labor day Moomat Ahiko will be shut for a ten day reconstruction project.

School Report: The school fiesta was a success, thanks to all who attended. April 25th will see the annual e-waste drop-off.

BOCA: Doug Suisman offered thanks to the board for the financial contribution to BOCA and support in Ocean Way battle. They will host a table at the annual meeting which will feature sign-ups for tunnel maintenance – they are looking for two volunteers a week to continue the progress made in the ongoing weekly cleanup of the two beach tunnels.

Pacific Palisades Citizen of the Year Gala. SMCCA has two tickets for the PP Dinner, April 24. Sharon said she would be glad to take them.

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Adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Future Meetings: May 13 (ANNUAL MEETING), Jun. 10.