



SANTA MONICA CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Board Minutes

August 9, 2016

Recorded by: Dawn Forrester

Attending:, Steve Boyers, A.C. Chaudhry, Dawn Forrester, Carrie Frazier, Sharon Kilbride, Mark Landay, Emile Levisetti, Isabelle Mizrahi, Marise Relfe, Natalie Schaeffer, Ron Staake, Lori Todd, Debbie Warfel, Marilyn Wexler, Cynthia Winter, George Wolfberg

Excused: Lisa Bittan, Melissa Campos, Amy Hopper, Wesley Hough, Henry Lichstein.

Absent: Deborah Castleman, David Wang

Guests: Cathy Russell, Quentin Fleming, Connie Cherry

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by President Marilyn Wexler.

Introductions.

Minutes June 14, 2016.

Minutes from June 14 were deemed approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Ron Staake submitted report prior to meeting.

Checking	\$5,205.30
Savings	26,611.32
Total	<u>\$31,816.62</u>
Grove balance	<u>\$3,764.49</u>

Currently there are 376 paid/voting members.

CD-11 Report—Not in attendance; no report.

Park Update-- Paige Barnes - not in attendance; no report. [It was noted that the annual Rustic Night gala fundraiser will be held on September 24. To purchase tickets go to www.laparksfoundation.org

Boca Report-- Sharon Kilbride reported that there was a casual BOCA meeting held at Joan Kramer's house. Officer Levinson gave a report about vehicle break-ins and there was an update given on aircraft noise.

Committee Reports

Traffic- Marilyn reported that the Entrada Sidewalk work will commence on September 19th. They will start at Amalfi and work up towards San Vicente. Right now there is a house with construction blocking the sidewalk on Entrada.

Homelessness Task Force- Sharon Kilbride reported that the LAPD Bike Patrol was approved for Summer 2016. Officers Rusty Redican and Quentin Blanton have successfully been keeping the beaches and bluffs safe and they also make sweeps in the Palisades and as far north as Porto Villa. They work closely with the PPTFH and outreach workers from OPCC to engage the homeless that are in need of service. There were six arrests made in July. George Wolfberg asked if the bike patrol will continue after the summer. It is likely they could be deployed elsewhere at the end of summer. The board agreed that SMCCA should contact LAPD to stress the importance of the bike patrol and urge that it be continued to deal with the increase in homeless issues.

Sharon handed out cards with the OPCC outreach hotline if you encounter a homeless person in need of help. The number is 310-460-2630. Please be prepared to give a description of the individual and a location so the outreach team can follow up.

PPCC Report-Cathy Russell told the board that Councilman Bonin's mobility deputy, spoke to the Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) on July 28 and explained that they are looking to upgrade bike lanes and make them better. They are proposing that the downhill side of Temescal Canyon Road from Sunset Boulevard to Pacific Coast Highway will be downsized to one lane in order to accommodate a buffered bike lane and they are also proposing a protected bike lane on the uphill side: the bike lane would be next to the curb, next a barrier and then car parking next to the moving vehicles. The PPCC had lots of questions and asked that before anything is done to consult with the board.

The PPCC election starts online August 10th, with convenient on-line and mail-in options available. You can go on-line at www.pacpalicc.org click on the red "Vote" button and follow instructions. The voting ends at midnight on September 1st. The Candidates Forum will be held on August 25th from 8-9 pm during the regularly scheduled PPCC meeting at the Palisades Library. All are welcome to attend.

George's report- PCH Task Force meets next week and the California Incline is set to open after Labor Day. PPCC board member Chris Spitz will come and talk to the SMCCA board at our next session to answer questions about the procedure should SMCCA desire to have a seat on the PPCC board.

Old Business:

Clubhouse restoration- no report.

Aircraft Noise Update- Debbie Warfel reported that the letter written to the FAA was sent to Ted Lu's office who wants to help Councilman Bonin's efforts. The LAX Noise Management Office has a new mobile app that should make it easier for Canyon residents to file noise complaints.

Mobile /Web App Instructions:

1. From your i-phone or Android mobile device, click on the link:
<http://www.planenoise.com/mobile/lawa/nR9k3pXb/lax/>
 - a. Save the app to your home screen

- b. iPhone: Tap the box with vertical arrow and select add to home screen
2. Android: Tap the 3 Menu dots and select save to homepage
3. Go to your home screen and open the new complaint mobile web app
4. Enter your complaint information in Steps 1-4 and click Submit
5. Submit additional complaints by tapping "Create A New Comment"

Note: After using the app the first time, user information is saved and does not need to be re-entered after filing an initial complaint.

Debbie Warfel also suggested that the board take a look at the Point Loma website and see if SMCCA can't do the same.

D and O Liability insurance for Association-Steve Boyers and Marilyn Wexler found a \$2 million dollar policy with Travelers Insurance for \$797 a year.

Private foliage maintenance- Mark Landay and Marilyn Wexler are drafting a letter with city codes to let neighbors know that they need to cut back their foliage.

New Business-

New secretary-Dawn Forrester is resigning from the board and Lori Todd was nominated by Isabell Mizrahi and seconded by George Wolfberg and unanimously elected to be the secretary of SMCCA.

Local coastal plan-There is nothing on the horizon where there would be a local coastal plan here in Santa Monica Canyon.

Park Closures- Mark Landay said that there is a sign which says that the park is closed on Sunday's, however the parking lot is open and there is someone in the office. Marilyn will check with Paige.

Signage for the tunnels – A.C. Chaudhry reported that many tourists come in not being able to find the tunnels to cross under PCH. He asked that more visible signage be installed to point pedestrians to the tunnels? . George will follow up with PCH Task Force.

Adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Next meeting September 13, 2016