

CHEVIOT HILLS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

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Minutes for the Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, April 5, 2018

Directors present: Bob Keehn (President), Colleen Mason Heller (Vice President), Cindy Kane (Secretary), Jim Gilbert, Cary Gross, Steve Herman, Andrew Oelz, Greg Pulis, Larry Tabb, Mark Sedlander

Directors not present: Marty Bischoff (Treasurer), Catherine Gerst, Margaret Gillespie, Michael Mandel, Brad Matthew

Guest: Stan Arcader, Jerold Steiner

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

I. President's Report:

A. Celebrate Israel Festival

At the March meeting Adee Drory agreed to connect Bob with Charles Singer, Superintendent of Recs & Park regarding keeping part of the funds at the local park level. Apparently the amount Celebrate Israel Festival pays is a pre-agreed amount. There is no possibility of money staying at the local park for repairs.

B. Review/Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the March meeting were approved.

C. Gregg Spiegelman agenda items - follow-up

Bob followed up with city officials to explore the process on a plaque placement. This requires a lot of paperwork. He will be taking this agenda item offline and will work directly with Gregg, LAFD and property owners.

D. Cheviot Zoning update, CD5 survey

On March 20, 2018 the city council voted to approve R1V2 for Cheviot Hills with a clause to prevent speculative development. It will be final on May 2, 2018. Colleen read the motion put forth on March 9, 2018 which can be found at http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2016/16-1470_CA_03-12-2018.pdf Colleen suggested that the board write a letter of support for the approved motion. The board was unclear on the purpose of supporting the motion that had already been approved. She was going to clarify with Councilman Koretz' Chief of Staff, Joan Pelico on exactly what they are requesting from the board.

E. APS Status/NDA

Bob forwarded the NDA to Vernon at APS. He wants to make a few changes. Previously Vernon sent Gregg monthly reports. Those stopped being generated months ago. Bob will check with Vernon about restarting those reports.

F. Bylaws revision update

An updated draft of bylaws was circulated to the board prior to this meeting. There are some unresolved items which will not be ready in time for the upcoming general meeting. The bylaws changes will be pushed to a second general meeting in the latter half of 2018.

G. Cheviot Hills Park

No update

H. Neighborhood crime uptick

Bob relayed that Gregg Spiegelman spoke to the new West Los Angeles LAPD senior lead officer, Chris Baker. He confirmed that there is an uptick in crime. Bob will reach out to Officer Baker about speaking at the general meeting in June.

II. Secretary's Report/Membership:

Membership currently stands at 300 paid dues however there is a delay in data processing. The 2018 CHHOA Discount Card is now ready.

III. Financial Report:

Marty emailed the March financial report prior to this meeting. He was unable to attend. There was discussion about obtaining the key to the storage facility which houses old HOA documents. Colleen does have a key to the storage unit.

IV. Other Business

A. Landscaping of Medians Update - deferred

B. Neighborhood Filming: a resident on Gilmerton reported to Bob that they are unhappy with the filming. Bob asked the resident to have the production supervisor contact him the next time the resident believes a project is causing undue inconvenience.

C. Cheviot Hills Tree Project – Bob now has a contact at Tree People. He hopes to re-establish the project's momentum within the next 30-60 days.

D. Neighborhood Watch/Security

Bob said that we need to obtain the hard copies of NW documents from Gregg Spiegelman. Colleen stated her belief that NW was started by the HOA. We paid for the signs and the meetings. We have lost the institutional memory. She feels that if in fact we elect to revive the program, we need to keep it within the HOA and not look at the database as separate. We need to ensure that the program is staffed and continues. There is an ad hoc group north of Pico. There is confusion if our neighborhood even has a NW program.

E. FOWLA – nothing new

F. Expo/Bike Path – no update; project stalled

G. FOO/Schools

Bob received an email from Joe Donohue (Family Annual Drive chair) acknowledging the \$1,000 donation to Overland Elementary annual gala.

H. SB 827 (transit zone densification issue)

The city council unanimously opposed it.

V. **Public Comment**

Stan Arcader wanted to discuss a few items. The overhanging tree limbs from the golf course create a hazard. He said that it's the responsibility of the Department of Forestry. They said the trees would be trimmed by last fall. He is wondering if the HOA can help. He is also concerned about the cut through traffic on Motor. There is an engineer who will be retiring soon. He has requested a traffic count. Stan has suggested that someone on the board join the West LA LAPD Community-Police Advisory Board. Meetings are once a month and it requires an application to participate. Stan also suggested a tree height limitation for residents. Urban Forestry is available to meet with the public on 4/10 or 4/13 in downtown.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.