

# CHEVIOT HILLS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

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## **Minutes for the Board Meeting Thursday, September 6, 2018**

Directors present: Bob Keehn (President), Marty Bischoff (Treasurer), Cindy Kane (Secretary), Cary Gross, Steve Herman, Greg Pulis, Mark Sedlander, Larry Tabb

Directors not present: Jim Gilbert (Vice President), Margaret Gillespie, Jamila Hasan, Michael Mandel, Andrew Oelz, Brandon Reif, Omar Tirmizi

Guests: Tim Fitzgerald, Jerold Steiner

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

#### **I. President's Report:**

A. Tim Fitzgerald – Tim was present to explain the “Talloween” event which will be held on October 19<sup>th</sup> at the Pico Playhouse. It will be a variety show with 15-17 acts using a Gong Show inspired format. He is looking for a major sponsor to help cover the costs of the event (theater rental, a banner, flyers, art work, a technician, music). He has 4-5 Pico Blvd sponsors providing raffle items (O’Groats, Adams Music, Pico Bike Shop, and Guitar Center). He would like the HOA to donate \$1,000. He is selling seats for a suggested donation of \$25. Those profits will go to a Leukemia charity. A discussion ensued regarding the benefit for the HOA to have community visibility in participating in other things besides crime & safety. There was further discussion about the Leukemia charity he chose as the benefactor. A motion carried to fund \$1,000 for this community event to be listed as a major sponsor subject to the donation going to a domestic or local charity with board approval. Additionally, it is reasonable to ask him for the expense documentation.

#### **B. Crime/Security Issues and Community Meeting in July –**

*Added APS Car:* Bob is still trying to connect with the Country Club HOA board member about splitting another APS car.

*Vista Del Mar Meeting:* Bob and Jim met with Nancy Tallerino, President & CEO of Vista Del Mar to discuss the solutions on the increase in calls by LAPD. Vista Del Mar (VDM) has added \$150k to their security budget. They are trying to find

solutions in reducing the number of LAPD visits to their facility. There is a state mandate that when a minor walks off of the premises for more than an hour the police are required to come to debrief them. Vista Del Mar would like to purchase iPads for LAPD so the debriefing can take place via FaceTime. Many of the residents of VDM are being put in outside programs at Palms Middle School and Venice High School. Their day school has about 180 students. There are 48 youth living on campus, half of which are in a confined facility. Officer Baker previously stated that VDM is admitting a different type of youth. Nancy said that is not the case, they just have very complex issues. She denied that her residents are committing crimes in Cheviot Hills. She did acknowledge that one incident occurred in Cheviot related to their residents. The next step is to follow up with Officer Baker to see if there are any other options to free up police resources.

*Closed Facebook Group:* Margaret was going to inquire on setting this up for Cheviot Hills.

*Camera Proposal on NextDoor:* Bob spoke with Mike Eveloff about the license plate reading cameras. This has been a 5 year discussion with the City of LA. It is hung up in the City Attorney's office.

- C. Review/Approval of August Minutes - The August minutes were reviewed and approved.
- D. Bike Path – Walavista resident Jerold Steiner addressed the August 3<sup>rd</sup> email from DOT Engineer Charlie Ho that summarized the findings from the June 26<sup>th</sup> community open house which can be found here: <http://bike.lacity.org/northvale-gap-closure-open-house-summary/> Design option descriptions can be found here: [http://bike.lacity.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Expo-II-Northvale-Gap\\_062618.pdf](http://bike.lacity.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Expo-II-Northvale-Gap_062618.pdf) Jerold has followed up with Charlie Ho about his concerns for segment 1 of the bike path (primarily the ingress/egress at Walavista Rd.
- E. Cheviot Zoning Update – no update
- F. APS Status/NDA – not pursued; back burner until the additional APS car is figured out.
- G. Bylaws Revision – No agreement from Neuland Whitney law firm has been presented to Bob for signature. Follow-up is required via Brandon and Andrew.
- H. Cheviot Hills Park – The fields have been reopened; grass looks good. Bob mentioned previously meeting with park officials regarding Proposition K lighting upgrades. Future correspondence will include Steve Herman, park committee.
- I. Palms Park/Library “Redistricting” – A letter was submitted; still pending.

J. Rancho Park Gas Flare – There was a conference call today. Bob spoke with Scott Silver. Things are moving in a positive direction. It appears that HBOC will drop the gas flare. Public comments were extended until September 11<sup>th</sup>.

K. Membership Dues – No update

## **II. SECRETARY’S REPORT/MEMBERSHIP**

No changes on membership numbers.

The one page HOA update will not be ready as a fall mailing since many items have not been finalized (extra security). It will have to go out in January for the next membership cycle.

## **III. FINANCIAL REPORT**

No questions/comments

## **IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

A. Landscaping of medians – no update

B. Neighborhood filming – things are picking up again. Bob sent out 3 donation letters today.

C. Cheviot Hills Tree Project – Trying to get traction. Bob emailed a community member. Still no contact with Tree People point person.

D. Neighborhood Watch/security – no update

E. F.O.W.L.A.– no update

F. FOO/schools – need a new school rep from the board; possibly Brandon.

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The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.