

CHEVIOT HILLS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

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Minutes for the Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, August 3, 2017

Directors present: Bob Keehn (President), Colleen Mason Heller (Vice President), Marty Bischoff (Treasurer), Cindy Kane (Secretary), Catherine Gerst, Margaret Gillespie, Cary Gross, Michael Mandel, Greg Pulis, Mark Sedlander, Larry Tabb

Directors not present: Jim Gilbert, Steve Herman, Brad Matthew, Andrew Oelz

Also present: Various neighborhood residents - Jerold Steiner, Gregg Spiegelman, Robert Henry, Ethel Bennett, Julie Peppers, Jason Newman, Benjamin Nissanoff, and Susan Irving

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

I. President's Report:

- A. Thanks to Griffin Club: Colleen began the meeting as the presiding officer. She thanked the Griffin Club for their generosity in welcoming the HOA back for meetings.
- B. Introduction and Welcome of 2017-2018 CHHOA Board
Introductions were made by all attendees. Hervé Lévy, the general manager of the Griffin Club introduced his team (John Meyers - Membership; Jeff Schulweis - Food & Beverage) and welcomed the HOA. Two new board members were welcomed: Catherine Gerst and Margaret Gillespie.
- C. Executive Board Election
The first order of business was to elect the executive board. Colleen announced the suggested slate of officers: Bob Keehn (President); Colleen Mason Heller (Vice President); Marty Bishoff (Treasurer); Cindy Kane (Secretary). A motion was made and approved to accept the slate for a one year term.

D. Review/Approval of July Minutes

The minutes for the July Board meetings were approved.

E. Financial Report

There were no questions regarding the most recent financial report. Marty reported that the \$1,000 donation was made to the Kelly Wong fund. The acknowledgment letter was circulated.

II. New Business:

A. Membership Update

Current membership stands at 367 households that have paid dues. It is considerably lower than previous years (468 in 2016, highest in 2012 with 600). Marty stated that the best response is seen when a mailing goes out with an envelope.

B. Landscaping of Medians Update

Jim previously reported that the city contractor had walked off of the job. The city was looking for a replacement. Catherine Gerst will connect with the city to explore the next steps.

C. Bylaws Revision:

Bob stated that this has been deferred to September since Andrew was absent. Once complete, they will be circulated for public comment.

D. Neighborhood Watch

A new chair is needed. Gregg Spiegelman declined to chair the committee as he doesn't have time to actively manage it.

E. Film Committee

The Fox show "Speechless" will be filming for 2 days on Rosbury. A \$2,250 donation will be forwarded to CHHOA. FilmLA instructs all production companies to reach out to CHHOA whenever a permit is requested.

F. Public Comment

Resident members were given the opportunity to express their community concerns.

Resident Ben Nissanoff expressed his concern for a large pot hole that exists on Motor Ave. Additionally he brought up the safety issue

about the lack of stop signs at the Lorenzo/Cresta intersection. He further inquired about the zoning variation. The vote in the city council is expected to take place on September 19th. The current place holder is the revised BMO.

New resident Jason Newman inquired about security. He introduced SSA security to our group. They are primarily retired LAPD officers. The primary issue for our HOA is the cost.

Julie Peppers is concerned about traffic. The group explained to her that there is a long history of traffic calming devices in response to development in Century City.

Ethel Bennet – Walavista Bike Path, see below.

Susan Irving, a resident of McConnell is interested in trees and the medians. Mark Sedlander highlighted the previous “Tree People” event and stated that the next event needs to be calendared.

Jerold Steiner – asked for clarification on the general election terms. Additionally he spoke of a “Cheviot News” publication.

III. Old Business & Committee Reports:

A. CHHOA Film Committee – see above

B. Neighborhood Watch/Security - See public comments above

C. FOWLA – defer

D. Cell Tower – defer

E. Expo/Bike Path

Ms. Bennett, a resident on Walavista expressed her concerns about markings on the street. The city is about to do soils testing specifically for the bike path. Residents are concerned about the ingress and egress of the bike path. Colleen stated that the board will support Walavista residents that an ingress and egress are not needed. She agreed to call the city bike division to determine the plan of action.

F. FOO/Schools – defer

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.