

*Cheviot Hills Homeowners' Association*  
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**Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting, Thursday, August 3, 2005**

Directors present were: Steve Andelin, Stacy Antler, Carol Bahoric, Pam Bentz, Jeff Berman, Peter Glassman, Kevin Hughes (president), Abby Kuppin, Tony Padilla, Greg Pulis (vice president), Scott Schomer, and Jonathan Weiss (secretary).

Directors not present were: Michael Beugg and Alisa Griner.

Approximately 40 other members were present.

Call to Order

Kevin Hughes called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM.

Public Comment Period

Public comments were heard.

Previous Minutes

Minutes from the July 14, 2005 meeting were approved.

New Business

1) *Committees*

- a. Moved, seconded and carried that Board would vote on all committees at once.
- b. Question raised and tabled as to whether treasurer should have finance committee.
- c. Kevin Hughes presented his proposals for committees and their chairs as follows:
  - i. Traffic – Greg Pulis & Robert Simon

- ii. Community Relations – Jonathan Weiss & Peter Glassman
- iii. Code Compliance – Jeff Berman
- iv. By-Laws – Glen Friedman & Art Naselow
- v. Schools, Parks & Library – Carol Bahoric
- vi. Trees & Streets – Pam Bentz
- vii. Airport – Abby Kuppin
- viii. Sound Wall – Tony Padilla
- ix. Social Events – Alisa Griner

Moved, seconded and carried that all committees and chairs approved.

- 2) *Traffic*. Jonathan, Greg and Kevin reported on the NTMP history and background. Jonathan relied on and recommended the article by Lucie Bava. Greg asked for help from prior Board. Kevin discussed remaining mitigations. Kevin restated the Board's commitment to survey the membership and take their input. Kevin reported that Los Angeles City Councilmember Jack Weiss has proposed to open an additional right turn lane onto Pico Boulevard from northbound Pico and proposed a second southbound lane on Motor into Cheviot Hills Park.
- 3) *Trees*. Kevin reported that Los Angeles Department of Water and Power is giving away trees for free. Stan Arcader said those are 15 gallon trees, not the ones people were promised for their medians.
- 4) *Donating money to public schools*. Kevin conveyed Alisa's suggestion that the association donate money to area public schools.

- 5) *Dues contest.* Kevin conveyed Alisa's suggestion that the association have a contest awarding money to the block that raises the most in dues.
- 6) *Lap dance ordinance.* Stacy Antler reported that police complain about drug abuse, prostitution and crime around strip clubs. City council has come up with an ordinance addressing that by limiting dark areas, etc., at clubs.
- 7) *General meeting.* Jonathan raised the requirement that the Association have semi-annual meetings. Discussion of an October meeting, but not on the Jewish holidays.

#### Continuing business

- 1) *Palms Park bridge.* Carol got in touch with lady who wrote letter regarding bridge to Palms Park. Carol will talk with Ben Cate and will get in touch with local patrol and see about pressuring them to monitor gate. If that doesn't work, she suggested the Association supplement what the people in that area pay to have the gate locked and unlocked.

#### President's report

- 1) Police and Fire liaison will be Alisa Griner. She will also be handling setting up block captains.
- 2) Kevin Hughes reported that new board met two weeks before (over breakfast) with Jack Weiss and his field representatives. Jack Weiss asked for the meeting to get to know the board. The board agreed in advance that the Board's position was to recognize that past boards had supported the Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan (NTMP) and each of its components, that it supported the past board, and that it had not deliberated on traffic or surveyed the neighborhood on traffic. At breakfast, Jack Weiss raised the issue of modifying the NTMP Board to allow two right turn lanes from northbound Motor to eastbound Pico (a motion that the Board understood Jack Weiss had already prepared for the City Council). The Board asked for and

received a 90-day delay.

- 3) Member Perry Oretzky and Director Pam Bentz had reported on recent accidents on Motor. Kevin asked Mr. Oretzky more about the history of accidents there, and asked that people talk with the traffic committee co-chairs about that.

### Treasurer's report

Kevin reported on behalf of Michael Beugg. In the future, Michael will discuss printing a budget and how to report. Total assets \$\*.\*.

### Secretary's report

Jonathan Weiss reiterated Stacy Antler's thanks to Kay 'N Dave's Cantina and Buttercake Bakery for contributing food for the board meeting.

### Committee reports

#### 1) Code Compliance

- a. Jeff Berman reported that the Sunland-Tujunga area has an emergence ordinance to limit house sizes to ratio of lot sizes.
- b. Jeff proposed a registry of Aiken houses.
- c. Jeff wants to get realtors involved. Asked for participation.

#### 2) Sound Wall

- a. Tony Padilla reported that the committee has been monitoring and keeping tabs on sound wall activity. A partial sound wall will built along the 10 Freeway between the Motor Avenue bridge to just short of Gilmerton at top of hill. The bid process is to start in August 2005 and run 60-90 days. Construction will most likely begin in the first quarter of 2006. The wall will run 600 yards and cost \$1.5 million. It is a modified sound wall,

costing less than a standard one. There remains a longer area to cover along the 10 freeway. Trees were supposed to be planted in July; he did not know the status.

### 3) Community Relations

- a. Peter Glassman reported that the board needs intracommunity and intercommunity relations, the latter dealing with other neighborhoods' associations.
- b. Jonathan reported that he wants to merge databases for residents and dues payers with e-mail address list and facilitate a restricted access bulletin board. He also wants the list to be usable for e-mailing important bulletins throughout the association or to block captains.
- c. Carol Bahoric wants to mobilize and try to create a rapid response contact list that would basically be a way to establish getting in touch with our community in a rapid way. E-mail, fax, phone tree, and block captain with direct contact, could all be used to could get in touch with our community.

Moved to adjourn. 9:17 p.m. Seconded and passed.

Submitted by Jonathan Weiss, Secretary

Approved by the Board: September 7, 2005