

Cheviot Hills Homeowners' Association

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Minutes for the Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday, October 5, 2005

Directors present were: Steve Andelin, Stacy Antler, Carol Bahoric, Pam Bentz, Michael Beugg, Peter Glassman, Alisa Griner, Kevin Hughes (president), Tony Padilla, Greg Pulis (vice president), Scott Schomer, Robert Simon, and Jonathan Weiss (secretary).

Directors not present were: Jeff Berman and Abby Kuppin.

Approximately 15 other members are present.

Call to Order

Kevin Hughes calls the meeting to order at 7:39.

Speaker Cards

- 1) Guests can indicate which agenda item they would like to speak about, or whether they instead would like to speak during the Public Comment period to begin the meeting. Each guest who wishes to speak will be given TWO MINUTES. No exceptions, and no one may defer their two minutes to another.

Public Comment Period

- 2) Speaker cards are collected and any public comments are heard. Proposal of conflict of interest statement is to be put on the agenda.

Previous Minutes

- 3) Minutes from the September 2005 are approved.

Treasurer's report

- 4) September put us into red for the year. Had to pay second liability insurance premium. Took in \$[REDACTED]. Expenses were \$[REDACTED]. Recently authorized payment for attorneys and consultants. Assets

\$ [REDACTED]. Michael has been working on a draft budget for 2006 based on average spending for the past five years and dues collection from 50% of the membership. He hopes to discuss this with the board at a future meeting.

The board will also consider the appropriate way of communicating with the membership about our revenues, expenditures, and assets.

Motion to redact the financial information published on website subject to exception on a case by case basis. Carried.

Report of Standing or Special Committees

Sound Wall (Tony Padilla)

- 5) Report on bids, status of project. Bid process is complete. Caltrans has identified a winning bidder, but bid is \$400,000 more than identified in funding. Rather than rebid, MTA staff has put consent item on October to approve \$400,000 authorization. If approved, should be done by middle of 2006.

Community Relations (Jonathan Weiss & Peter Glassman)

- 6) Kevin reported the agenda, as reflected in the minutes of the prior "special" general meeting for setting the agenda
- 7) Constellation Park reference on website. Peter reported about Constellation Park posting on website. Encouraged people to look at website and see what is proposed. Board will post its letter and that of another group of homeowners regarding Constellation Park on website. Public comment was received on this. Motion that any information going up on board be approved by board. Not seconded.

Stacy said developer previously presented to WNC and would be happy to come to next board meeting for presentation.

- 8) NTMP on website. (California Country Club roundabouts.) Motion to

- post NTMP and two-page explanation on website. Carried.
- 9) Letter to Jack Weiss on website. Will be posted at discretion of traffic committee.
 - 10) Next newsletter deadline will be in November.
 - 11) Rapid Response list. Carol wrote a letter to neighbors on her block suggesting emergency response list with pertinent information. Will be captain and co-captain. Seventeen homes. All will get copy so know who neighbors are. She got about 60% response. She shared letter with Alisa who will be doing it across neighborhood. Alisa reported that 42 streets. She will go through and hit the people she knows asking them to be block captains. Will divide up longer streets. Will post at general meeting. Bob Jensen did that on Kevin Hughes' street.

Trees & Streets (Pam Bentz)

- 12) Tree planting. Pam received forms for tree planting. She did not get enough responses to apply for community beautification grant. Not enough interest to do the work required for the grant for this year. Grant could be up to \$10,000. Will be raised at general meeting.

Recently got e-mail regarding tree-trimming on Forrester.

By-laws (Glen Friedman & Art Naselow)

- 13) Glen reiterates interest in hearing comments from members on bylaws. Looking at our by-laws, the last proposed by-laws, those of other homeowners associations. Hopes to have proposal before November meeting. Wants input during formulation and after. Wants to clearly delineate changes between current and proposed by-laws.

Schools, Parks & Library (Carol Bahoric)

- 14) No report.

Airport (Abby Kuppin)

- 15) No report.

Police and Fire Liaison (Alisa Griner)

- 16) Alisa distributes a list of crimes in Cheviot and in neighboring areas. She said that community needs to take active role in reporting crime.

Traffic (Greg Pulis & Robert Simon)

- 17) Several traffic committee meetings were held in the last month.

Letter was sent to Jack Weiss stating HOA's position supporting NTMP.

Committee has discussed and board approved funding for retaining attorney and traffic consultant.

Awaiting a meeting with Los Angeles Department of Transportation.

Kevin met with president of California Country Club and looks forward to collaborative relationship on traffic and other issues.

Public comment taken.

- 18) Should board vote on whether money authorized for attorney and traffic consultant should be paid out of the fund earmarked for traffic? Moot because it is by definition traffic-related.

- 19) Discussion of National/Overland development. Jonathan recommended looking to George Garrigues' website <http://www.palmsvillagesun.info/> for specific information. Jonathan recommended Kevin contact Palms Neighborhood Council. Stacy suggested contacting Westside Neighborhood Council.

Unfinished business

- 20) *Donating money to public schools.* Removed from agenda.

- 21) *Dues contest.* Tabled.
- 22) *Palms Park bridge.* Removed from agenda until Carol contacts Ben Cate.

New Business

- 23) *Donating money to Riddick Center.* Motion to donate \$1200 to Riddick Center for period from now until October 2006 to reimburse for usage. Motion carried. Steve and Jonathan, who are on the Riddick Board, abstained.
- 24) *Riddick Center meetings.* Motion to move board meetings to Community Room A of the Westside Pavilion. Motion failed 4-3. (Other board members present abstained.)
- 25) *Parliamentarian.* Tabled.

Public Comments

President announces General Meeting (October 20, 2005) and next Board Meeting (November 2, 2005) and adjourns meeting.