NORTHRIDGE SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING

September 24, 2009

MINUTES

1. Call to order at 7:05 pm and Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

3. Committee Reports

   • Application Committee: David Dirro mentioned that report was submitted for review and that Outreach section needed to be added and other areas to be completed. Nick Franchino reported that he will include all information received to date and have another full version of the application by early next week. It was also discussed that the application would not be submitted at least until November 1, 2009; after the members of the Sherwood Forest HOA had more time to review our information.

   • Outreach Committee: Chris Sales discussed outreach efforts and mentioned that he had only received input from 4 or so members and that he included as much as he could on the Outreach section of the Application Package. Other information will be added as it is received. We talked about the efforts to reach out to the members of the Sherwood Forest HOA. Four of our members met with three of their members on September 9, 2009. Two members of their Board attended tonight’s meeting and made some brief remarks. More outreach will be done to Lorne Street Elementary School (PTA Meeting on September 30, 2009) and Napa Street Elementary (October 10, 2009) as well as Pinecrest School (corner of Roscoe and White Oak). Devonshire Police Station Open House is coming on Saturday, September 26, 2009; hopefully someone can attend. St. Nicholas Church is having their annual Pasta Dinner on Friday October 16, 2009; good networking and outreach opportunities. Other upcoming outreach efforts were discussed too; more will be added on the website Events page soon.

   • Bylaws Committee: Nick Franchino stated that a solid draft exists and is available on the NSNC website. Few changes are anticipated at this time – the draft is probably good enough to be submitted.

4. Discussion of meetings and possible action items.

   a. LAPD 17A67’s Basic Car Meeting - Brief mention that LAPD information will be reorganized and put on our website. Members will continue to represent our group at upcoming meetings.

   b. Participation at New Student Orientation for Northridge Middle School (September 2, 2009) - Judi Greenberg mentioned that Chris Sales and Gabi Erickon attended and handed out a lot of flyers and got at several signature pages signed; information was provided in English and Spanish.

   c. Events posting and outreach (how to coordinate better) – for website – Nick mentioned that we need to continue posting event information on the website; just need the information e-mailed to him.
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d. [Park]ing Day – Any interest? (September 18, 2009) – No discussion.

e. North Valley Community News & American Towns – We are listed – Nick mentioned that we will probably be listed by the North Valley Reporter as well.

f. Sherwood Forest HOA Meeting Presentation - Donnal Poppe, President – Mentioned that we had a meeting with them on September 9, 2009 and that the Sherwood Forest HOA Board would be meeting to discuss our neighborhood council as well.

g. NEW Vision committee – Scott – Mentioned that this committee was working to have a new “vision” for the Reseda Blvd corridor from Roscoe Blvd north to Rinaldi. (((Scott, please add more information here)))

h. Northridge 100 – Scott – Discussion of a group that has been formed to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Northridge. Events will be planned (((Scott, please add more information here)))

5. Treasurer’s Report – N/A

6. Barry Stone, L.A. City Dept of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) – Mentioned several events that were coming soon, including the Empower LA 2009 event and Mayor’s Budget Day at City Hall on October 10, 2009. Flyer handed out for Census 2010 and for training events for community training regarding the importance of the census. Some discussion of Sherwood Forest and how long they would need for reviewing our information. Also, it was agreed that a meeting between Northridge East Neighborhood Council, Sherwood Forest HOA and our Board Members would happen within the next few weeks to discuss which area would include Sherwood Forest (current organization is for them to be included in this Northridge South Neighborhood Council – see our map boundaries for details).

7. Representative from Councilman Greig Smith’s office – Did not attend.

8. Open Discussion – Several items were discussed

a. Trash along Reseda Blvd was filling up in the yellow trash bins. This is because the BID (business improvement district) for the area was dissolved. It was discussed that this was taken over by the West Valley Alliance, funding by the Northridge East and Northridge West neighborhood councils. We will put resource links on our website to report problems if the problem arises again.

b. (((Scott – other items I missed??)))

9. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

10. The minutes were taken by Nick Franchino and edited by (((whoever helps me with this))