

Northridge South Neighborhood Council Meeting

February 25, 2010

Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call (* names are listed the end).
4. The Board of Directors went through the Agenda.
5. Committee Reports.
 - (a.) Application Committee reported:
 - (b.) The update surrounding DONE
 - a. Glenn Bailey discussed staffing issues and how it will affect our Neighborhood Councils in the future:
 1. DONE would prefer to stay as an identity within themselves, but there is a large probability that they will merge within another existing department. With the resignation of BongHwan Kim, being effective prior to the end of his term, all hopes are that we will finalize by the fiscal year end.
6. Saturday February 27th, will be a meeting of the coalition of neighborhood councils. Hopefully it will be in compliance with the Charter if the offices, in fact are merging.
7. Scott Sterling asked the questions, will there be funding for the neighborhood councils? With the cuts to the City Councils by 50%, bringing the total amount available per council to \$22,000 per year which was reported as denied and has been voted down at this time:
 - (a.) Current yearly amount available is \$45,00.00 with June 30th ending the fiscal year.
 1. Will there be an allowance of any carry over funds?
 - a. If eliminations of all roll over funds are initiated, will the contracts that are already in place still be honored?
 1. It has been discussed that if all proper documentation is submitted prior to 4-10-10, the contracts are to be honored.
8. The elections for west valley and north valley will be held next Tuesday.
 - a. Twelve (12) volunteers were needed for the elections, since the City was not able to recruit enough volunteers, and the couple that had were not able to train within the pre-determined time of 30 days prior to the election, they were forced to use city workers to work on overtime to be at the polling sites.
 1. Volunteers are needed for the May 27, 2010 elections for surrounding areas.

- a. Dennis De Young stated that it would save \$22,500 of funds spent if volunteers worked the polls instead of paying city employees overtime to have the polling places open for 6 hours during specified election hours.
9. Bylaws issues needing further follow up:
- a. Map outlining petition of signatures collected
 - b. Creation of a Power Point Presentation of our neighborhood council
 - i. Committees created and formed covering requirements:
 1. Sign-up lists were created and circulated to all attendees asking for volunteers to fill the spaces needed
 2. Check with our Police department to see if they have a census of languages spoken in our area.
10. The Outreach Committee:
- a. Is looking to secure bi-lingual representation opportunities to inform stakeholders in Northridge South Neighborhood Council's area of the newly forming Council. Discussion was held regarding the posting and distributing of information in public places to continue our community outreach efforts. Judi Greenberg offered to make more copies of our flyers for distribution and circulation.

Public (Open Discussion) Topics Discussed:

Stakeholders advised that group homes that are not staying within City compliances and the frustration with the local enforcement agencies.

We were advised that the group home near Pinecrest has been closed down.

Northridge100 Birthday Celebration is starting it's kick-off with a bus tour on March 13, 2010. Sign-ups with Councilman's Greig Smith's office are required to participate.

Water Expo is April 22, 2010 at 6:00pm. Look on their website ValleyWaterExpo.blogspot.com for more information; also posted on the NSNC website.

A wonderful Installation luncheon for all of the outgoing and incoming members of the North Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce will be held tomorrow (2/26/2010) at the Knollwood Country Club.

Sample logos for our Northridge South Neighborhood Council were passed around for all attendees to review and discuss. They will be voted on for the final official logo for our Northridge South Neighborhood Council.

Discussion was held as to being part of the New Vision Team for Northridge. The Mulholland Institute charges between \$12,000 - \$15,000 for consulting for the new 30 year vision for Northridge. The performing arts building is under construction on the campus of CSUN. Further Discussion was held regarding Northridge100. Scott Sterling said that it is going to be

an exciting year. The Northridge100 committee will be opening and showing many historical buildings in Northridge throughout the year's celebration.

Next month, the Northridge South Neighborhood Council meeting will be held on March 25, 2010.

Comments were welcomed.

11. Meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm.
12. The minutes were taken and recorded by Sher Hogan.
13. Minutes were e-mailed to Nick Franchino.