

Northridge South Neighborhood Council
Minutes
January 26, 2012

1) Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance - The meeting was called to order by Chris Sales at 7 pm. Judi Greenberg led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) Board of Directors Roll Call – Present: Tom Bramson, Rebekah Choi, Nick Franchino, Judi Greenberg, Sher Hogan, Mark Johnson, Loneathea Jones, Margaret Landers, Sal Pelaez, Donnal Poppe, Chris Sales, Jan Scott, Debi Seltzer, Diane Weston-Sulka, Virginia Watts. Absent:

3) Approval of minutes from previous meeting – Mark Johnson made a motion to accept the minutes, 2nd by Donnal Poppe. Motion passed unanimously.

4) Comments by public officials –

- a) CD12 - none
- b) Other public officials - none

5) Public comments - Sharon Pierce spoke - She wanted to know what the council's mission is. She had recently found out about the council's vote on E-Sol and is concerned about whether the council is prepared to represent her and her neighbors when things occur that they are not in favor of. Chris Sales reminded her that there will be a committee meeting on Feb. 13 to allow all to be heard on the issue of E-Sol. Randy Wolf came and spoke about getting 6 new streetlights on Stagg from White Oak to Encino. Lights are installed by DWP. It is the Utilitarian Light Project. Contact Charles An at 213 367-9905 for streetlights. It takes about 4 weeks.

6) President's Comments - Chris Sales complimented Nick Franchino for having and accomplished a real website and blast, and Jan Scott for working tirelessly managing the budget as money is being allocated to various projects. We now have a storage unit, A-frames for signs, and a tablecloth with our information printed on it. Debi Seltzer was also praised for her assistance designing the mailer.

7) Old Business

- a) Budget Update – Jan Scott gave us a report the budget, on money allotted to neighborhood purpose grants and on how much money remains in budget. The budget will be posted on the website.

8) New Business

- a) Report from Education Committee – Judy Greenberg – The committee met with three feeder elementary schools to Northridge Middle School and offered each of them a \$5000.00 in Neighborhood purpose grants. Grants will be due on Feb 10, 2012.
- b) CERT Update – Judy Greenberg said that we approved the funds to provide refreshments for the meetings and there are four more meetings to

completion. There was a discussion about the importance of CERT and that more people should attend.

- c) Aliso Creek Project Funding Request – Sal Pelaez gave us some background information of the pocket park that is being formed on a median. People are adopting the planters and wastebaskets, and the nursery will be donating some plants. Work is forthcoming which will make the park more accessible to people in wheelchairs and for strollers. Sal Pelaez made a motion to receive \$5000.00, which will pay for benches, planters, trash baskets etc., Motion was 2nd by Donnal Poppe. Motion passed.
- d) Citrus Sunday Ad Hoc Committee and Funding Request – Margaret Landers moved that an Ad Hoc committee be formed for Citrus Sunday with Margaret Landers as the chairperson and \$500.00 dollars be allotted for banners. The motion was 2nd by Donnal Poppe. Motion passed.

9) Committee Reports

- a) Reports from committee –
- Outreach committee - Nick Franchino reported that the postcard mailers were sent out, some items were purchased to use for outreach. More pictures will be on the site.
- Land Use - Donnal Poppe told us that the Community Care Facility Ordinance is still in committee and has been for over a year. She asked us to email Mitch Englander and ask him to move the ordinance along. Without this ordinance our hands are tied.
- Transportation - Sal Pelaez said he is still working of the mobile radar. LODOT is coming out to see where they can put additional bike racks. There will be a community bike ride from Parthenia and Lindley westbound to Joyce/s Coffee Shop. The wastebaskets and planters on Reseda need to be adopted and the benches are going to be replaced with new benches. There will be meeting at CD12 on Feb 7 at 7pm to discuss the details. Signs will be made that say “Northridge Village”.
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- b) Board member announcements – Judy Greenberg told us about the LAPD campaign: Lock It, Hide It, Keep It. LAPD are looking for funding to pay for some signs that will be prominently posted. Dick Ashnault complimented us for doing a good job as a new council. Nick Franchino reminded us to look on the webpage to see the new council district lines and suggested we ask that the lines be redone because our neighborhood will be divided between two city council districts.
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10) Adjournment - Donnal Poppe moved to adjourn and Rebekkah Choi was the 2nd. Motion passed at 7:53 pm.