

# **Los Paseos Neighborhood Association**

## **Board Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, April 21**

**Via ZOOM**

Board members in attendance: Greg Pack, president; Karen Lattin, vice president; Barbara Canup, treasurer; Lynne Steele, secretary; Herb Bowen and Alan Chan, members at large. Guests included Wyman Pang, CERT; and Michelle Dexter, District 10.

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm by Greg Peck

### **Michelle Dexter, District 10**

- Michelle discussed the difference between Dumpster Days and Clean up Days: Dumpster Days are all District 10; Clean Up Days are city-wide. She explained that Matt Mahan would like to see Neighborhood Days, designed to build Neighborhood Associations, including a social hour, council member Q&A, a beautification project (to be determined in advance), then dumpsters for LPNA area only. Invitations issued by LPNA; people register with name and phone number. LPNA pays for social hour; District pays for 3-4 dumpsters and possibly the beautification project, depending upon scope.
- Working Groups consist of 5 or more people with a concept LPNA and D10 can support. A staff person will be assigned and the working group meets to study processes, ideas, feasibility, etc.
- Michelle mentioned
- ended National Night Out and asked if LPNA wanted to continue the large event or break it down into smaller alternative events like block parties or driveway parties. Discussion followed.
- Dog park discussion: there is only 1 official Dog Park in D10. Michelle suggested we set up a working group to study the community needs and what type of dog park/dog run/space for dogs might work best at Los Paseos Park.
- Michelle also mentioned that the NE corner of Coleman and Almaden is now part of the Almaden Lake Park, in D10.

\* Action Item: Greg will set up a Dog Park Working Group.

### **CERT**

- Herb mentioned that CERT is working on 501C3 status, an official support group of the Office of Emergency Services. Some neighbors have already received training through SJ Prepared and need retrained every 5 years.
- CERT Training is available, contact Herb for dates and to register. Training is available in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.
- Herb is managing a database of who CERTS are and what equipment and training they have. Wyman has a list of the LPNA Emergency Radio Team members. We currently have 11 members on the radio team, including who was added after the board meeting.

- Wyman is focusing on the radio aspect of Emergency Services, working with John Nourse for datalink. We currently use Vara FM and Ham Radios.
- Wyman will continue ongoing radio exercises with the LPNA Emergency Radio Team on a regular basis.
- Barbara suggested coming up with ideas to make the CERT table more dynamic at NNO, maybe raffling off an Emergency Kit and doing a live demonstration.

\* Action Item: Herb will provide a note for Greg to send to members about training availability.

\* Action Item: Karen will research cost for Emergency Supply kits or backpacks (available on Amazon and other options). Must be paid for through LPNA, not NNO grant.

**Homeless Encampments** along neighborhood boundaries discussion was tabled for a future meeting.

### **June 16 LPNA Quarterly Meeting ideas**

- Safe Parking Presentation should be priority.
- Other suggestions include presentations on the city's Budget Process, Mental Health Care Crisis (Care Act) and Affordable Housing.

\* Action Item: Karen will follow-up with Isabella at Life Moves for current status and ask for presentation.

\* Action Item: Greg will invite SJPd.

### **Volunteer Appreciation BBQ May 26**

- NNO volunteers and Native Garden volunteers -- casual, email planning.

\* Action Item: Barbara will give her list to Greg to issue invitations.

### **June 23 Neighborhood BBQ**

- Planning meeting to be scheduled.
- Email invitations and posting on Next Door.

\* Action Item: Greg will send out Save the Date to LPNA's email list 1 month prior to event.

\* Action Item: Greg will post on Next Door 2 weeks prior to event.

### **National Night Out, Tuesday August 2**

- Taco truck rather than hot dogs. Negotiate pricing. Tickets for taco and ice cream to all attendees.
- Board members should seek sponsors. Suggestions included Hair Bar, Cranial Technologies, MedVet, Compass Realty, credit unions, most neighborhood businesses. Only 1 table/sponsor per like business.
- Discussion of games followed. Chalk Art is fun for kids but labor intensive, bird box hunt, jump House (jump house on plan but may cancel due to Covid)
- Invite SJPd and Fire Department.

\* Action Item: Barbara will submit application by June 4.

- \* Action Item: Set up planning meeting in early June.
- \* Action Item: Karen will contact taco truck and check on parking needs or city requirements.
- \* Action Item: Greg will contact Crimson Blues Band, Bubble Guy and Ice Cream vendor.
- \* Action Items: Create a list of needs, do inventory, set budget.
- \* Action Item: Greg will send out Save the Date to LPNA's email list 1 month prior to event.
- \* Action Item: Greg will post on Next Door 2 weeks prior to event.
- \* Action Item: Greg will send followup email to LPNA's email list 1 week prior.

### **Bulletin Board in the Park**

- Greg mentioned that flyers need to be laminated prior to being added to bulletin board or put into plastic sleeve that have been sealed to prevent moisture and mildew.
- \* Action Item: Greg will ask Michelle for a July 4 flyer to post.
  - \* Action Item: Create and post NNO flyer.

### **Paseo #2 signposts update**

Posts need to be treated with varnish.

- Discussion of post markings followed. It was decided to put name of the street on 3 sides due to the orientation of the brackets in the ground.
- \* Action Item: Greg will complete posts and ask for help installing when ready.

### **Meeting with Todd and Nasario at Park March 18 review**

- Herb will contact Todd about the quick connect low water pressure.
  - Barbara said 2 plants have been replaced, 2 others will be replaced in the fall.
  - Discussion of sign for the Native Garden -- metal or wood?
  - Jerry will replace bent panels.
  - An Eagle Scout project discussion but no resolution.
  - Dog Park suggestions keep coming up. Discussion followed about a smaller version (dog area) in the park not a fully fenced, sanctioned Dog Park. (See Working Group discussion above.)
  - Gophers are out-of-control again. Suggestions?
- \* Action Items: Greg will lead Our City Forest in pruning the Catalpa Speciosa trees.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm