

## **Los Paseos Neighborhood Association**

### **Board Meeting**

**September 7, 2023**

**Via ZOOM**

Board members in attendance: Greg Peck, president; Karen Lattin, vice-president; Barbara Canup, treasurer; Lynne Steele, secretary; and Peter Chen and Herb Bowen, members at large.

#### **Greg called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm**

Preplanning for September 121 General Meeting

The Board agreed that this General Meeting will be ZOOM only.

#### **Topics on agenda:**

- Green Foothills: (Alice Kaufman) will present a verbal update no presentation.
- Safe Parking: (Issa) will write up an update for Greg or Karen to present verbally no presentation.
- Update on Via Del Oro and Cerione Portables.
- D10 Update. Greg will follow up to find out who will speak.
- Sylvia Arenas, Supervisor, will update for the county.
- Captain Donohue and Sgt. Yates will provide updates for SJPd.

#### **CERT**

- Wyman Pang mentioned a CERT exercise on September 14 featuring MERS and GMRS, currently 13 houses in the area.
- Peter suggested putting a map on the website showing the locations of radios in the area, including a plea to add additional houses.

#### **Barbara**

- BeautifySJ check for \$5,000 was final received.
- If you have invoices for National Night Out, please submit to Barbara.

#### **Convert mailing list to Constant Contact**

- Cost is \$12.00 to \$40.000 depending upon number in the database and services we need.

- Barbara will look into restrictions for funding for electronic services and figure out where the money will come from. We may have to eliminate an event or two to fund it. But the Board agrees it is a necessity.
- Mail Chimp is cheaper but doesn't allow scheduled emails, segmentation or social media ads.
- We currently have 250 names in the database.
- The Board agreed that we should email our list and inform them we are moving to Constant Contact, explaining security options and options to unsubscribe.

MOTION: Greg moved that we send the introductory email then move to Constant Contact a week later. The motion passed.

ACTION: Greg and Barbra will investigate funding.

ACTION: Greg will provide his Constant Contact credentials to Karen for testing.

#### **Park and Tree Update (Barbara)**

- One of the Oak trees and a Maple tree were struggling but beginning to revive. All the other trees are budding and thriving
- Barbara needs someone to water in her absence, end of September-mid October. She will test when the water is turned on, could be 8:30 am on Tuesdays and Saturdays.
- Peter asked about Adopt-A-Park. He suggested we should send out that announcement in an email and ask for volunteers to water the trees and tend the garden as needed.
- Barbara mentioned that the Native Plant Garden is looking good. 4 plants need to be replaced.

#### **Parking Strip Trees (Barbara)**

- We have the budget to cover 6 trees with an option for additional trees. DOT may provide additional budget.
- We should ask for donations to Our City Forest (\$250 per tree).
- So far 2 people at NNO have expressed interest. Barbara will talk to Our City Forest about the requirements for replacement trees vs. new trees.
- Trees must be planted by December 20.
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ACTION: Barbara and Peter will draft announcement about the program to email out prior to the September meeting.

#### **Upcoming Board Elections**

- Barbara will announce that nominations are open at the September meeting and provide a timeline for the election process.

#### **Ideas for future meeting topics**

- Updates and introductions from City Departments who affect the neighborhood.
- Fire and Safety Preventions ideas for December

ACTION: Barbara will check with the Fire Department about a presentation.

#### **Other Business and Announcements**

- Herb asked if we are inviting other Neighborhood Associations. Greg will send notices of meeting to Silver Leaf, Baskin Ridge and Cottle-Lean.
- Karen mentioned that you can no longer pick specific neighborhoods in NextDoor.
- Herb is working toward getting grants toward radios, trees, computers and LPNA activities from Sylvia Arenas's office.
- Congressman Panetta and Supervisor Arenas are holding a Town Hall meeting Monday, September 11 at the Library.
- There is a Via Del Oro status meeting on September 11.
- October 21 is scheduled for Dumpster Day. BBQ following. Greg and Herb will mention at the meeting and it should be on our website with email announcements.
- Herb will contact Debbie to announce the September General meeting and Dumpster Day on LP's electronic sign.
- Greg mentioned that the goal for the coming year is to add additional members. We need to brainstorm ideas to recruit members and potential leaders to LPNA.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

{Minutes prepared and distributed for comments, 9/16/2023 to all board members for comments and corrections.}