# SOUTH LAND PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 4, 2016 at 7 pm

## Belle Cooledge Library, 5600 South Land Park Drive., Sacramento

## **Minutes**

- 1. **Call to order.** SLPNA Board convened at 7:05 pm. <u>8 members present</u>: Brian Backhaus, Chris Brown, Nita Barve, Brian Ebbert, Tanya Lammerding, Chip O'Neill, John Heiser, Randall Henry. <u>Absent</u>: Mike Ellison, Tommy Stroud
- 2. **Meeting Minutes.** Ebbert asked whether everyone preferred printed minutes or if electronic is okay. Brown preferred printed minutes, and the rest were okay with electronic copies. At 7:07 pm, the Minutes of the April 6, 2016 meeting were approved.
- 3. **Treasurer's Report.** At 7:08 pm, Randall Henry presented the Treasurer's Report, which was approved by the board at 7:18 pm. Repeated requests for membership renewals using email and social media resulted in several new memberships and renewals in April. Certificate of Deposit (CD) maturity approaching soon; decision to keep CD for 6 month terms for flexibility for the association. Henry will meet with Barve and spouse to set up Paypal for SLPNA website. Different options were discussed about how to add convenience for members to pay online for dues (either paypal, or ECS). Board discussed raising dues to compensate the extra percentage charged by Paypal, and increase revenue. It was pointed out that Ellison had proposed to raise the membership to \$25/year. Brown asked that this item be discussed as an agenda item for next meeting.
- 4. President's Report At 7:18 pm, Ebbert reported:

## Correspondence:

- a) **Razor wire near Vics**: City erected razor wire around a small parcel owned by water treatment plant, behind abandoned Vic's. One person complained on Nextdoor, Schenirer's office handled with Ebbert input, and the wire removed within a day. Owner of Vic's was livid that she was being blamed for the razor wire, when in fact it was the City.
- b) **Meth lab raid**: Posts on Nextdoor from alarmed neighbors regarding a sheriff raid near Pony Express School. Ebbert had Sac PD provide info on the raid, and posted the info on Nextdoor. Pony Express informed of the operation in advance.
- c) **Highlander Restaurant demolition in S Hills Center:** city deemed it not a historical site, not subjected to CEQA; the shopping center is historic, not Highlander structure, which was added after the center was completed.
- d) **Health fair/Sen. Pan:** The Chief of Staff (Daniel Lopez) is excited to work with the SLPNA; Lopez will have new District Director Claire Conlon (lives in South Hills) coordinate the health fair to be held in the Fall (SLPNA's 3<sup>rd</sup> attempt). Also, Curtis Park resident Alexandria Prater would like to join the health fair, to set up a booth for natural health products.
- e) **Advance Planning Seminar Concept.** Ebbert informed the board that a senior center in Elk Grove recently held an "end of life" planning seminar. Ebbert is going to look into it further and report back to the board. Brown asked if the seminar representative is tied to a commercial entity or doing this as a public service. Ebbert will report back.

### **News/Announcements:**

a) **South Hills coffee shops**: "Fluid Espresso" is highly renowned coffee shop opening in June next to Royal Nails. The owner Sergio Barrios wants to name the coffee shop "Barrio," and this has caused some heated exchanges on Nextdoor. The Moseby's "Garden Party" coffee shop was not chosen as a tenant for S Hills (next to Brownie's) so they are looking at Florin West Center. A chiropractor will open next to Brownie's.

(Lammerding joined the meeting at 7:40 pm.)

- b) IRS filing: Ebbert and Henry completed the IRS filling for the year 2015.
- c) **Uplift Seed Grant:** Ebbert submitted a grant application to Schenirer's office for \$500. Results to be announced in mid-May.
- d) **Traffic signal at Claudia Dr**.: Ebbert tweeted about poor signal timing. City traffic engineer fixed it within a few hours. Illustrates the power of social media.

## 5. Committee Reports

**Trail and Greenbelt Committee**. Project manager Jesse Gothan asked SLPNA to be on the hiring panel for the trail EIR. Dokken Engineering/Pamela Dalcin-Walling wants to meet regarding the Del Rio Trail Project; she wants to know the neighbors concerns for this project. Ebbert will confirm with Gothan whether its okay to meet with Dokken. Ebbert introduced Gothan to UCD professor Patsy Owens via email. She is on sabbatical, but still wants to offer the UC Davis students for the design of the project. Pocket News (Monica Stark) published a positive article on the trail progress. Ebbert was quoted and misquoted, but essentially said the neighborhood would oppose any train traffic. The article also included information about the proposed community garden on Palomar Circle.

**Communications Committee.** (Randall Henry): Nothing much to report. But asked the board members to RSVP to the Mayoral debate. The monthly communication is working well for the members within the neighborhood.

**Bylaws Committee**. (Brian Ebbert/Chris Brown): had hoped to have a report at this meeting. Scott Burns finishing up his report for the next board meeting. Ebbert will be emailing board members for review before the next meeting. The bylaws committee would like to create some standing committees and officer positions, and will address boundary issues.

## 6. Old Business

**Website Redesign**: Barve conveyed to the board members to send in their bios, could be 5-6 sentences for the SLPNA website. Will look at the 1and1 website for reorganization. Will try to update the website for online payments.

Ebbert bought up some ideas for strengthening of SLPNA: have a meet & greet for residents moving into South Land Park, idea of having a t-shirt with some SLPNA design (may collaborate with SacMod and Kombat Ink); Brown said depending on the cost can give it away for free or charge some minimal amount to cover the cost of printing; Ebbert said a tshirt is like an advertisement we have to pay for. One of the ideas for the t-shirt "South Land Park: cool for 75 years."

<u>Action Item</u>: Liability Insurance: insurance quote was emailed to board by Ellison. At 8:37 pm, Backhaus moved, Lammerding seconded a Motion to purchase the liability insurance policy. After discussion, Motion passed by unanimous vote of the board.

Brown suggested that SLPNA buy the insurance 30 days before our first event so that the policy will be in effect for the longest possible time.

Ebbert wants to register SLPNA with Sacramento Regional Community Foundation so SLPNA can participate in 2017 Big Day of Giving.

**Crime Prevention Training: Next Session** – Chris Brown announced the next training is May 10 at 6:30 pm at police headquarters. Neighborhood Emergency Preparedness will be the topic.

## 7. New Business

**Pocket Fourth of July Parade**: Board agreed to participate like last year. Heiser will bring his classic car, and is ok with banners and magnets on the car. More candies this time. Set up table at the parade, and maybe offer t-shirts.

**Board nominee**: Ebbert nominated Scott Burns to fill a vacant board position, and set the appointment vote for the June board meeting. Burns will make remarks prior to the vote in June. The Board approved by unanimous consent.

**Fundraising ideas/goals.** Ebbert urged board members to think of fundraising ideas as we embark on a new era of growth. Some ideas: have food truck event; crab feeds/spaghetti feeds; meet and greets; reaching out to Corporate and political donors; grant applications for donations.

<u>Action Item</u>: SacMod invited SLPNA to their house tour event on June 18. The event will draw 1200 people to SLP. The Board agreed by unanimous consent to set up a table at the Alice Birney venue.

## 8. Adjournment.

At 8:55 pm, SLPNA Board of Directors adjourned until June 1, 2016. Next meeting will be held at Belle Cooledge library.

# SOUTH LAND PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

#### **BELLE COOLEDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

#### **JUNE 1, 2016**

## **MEETING MINUTES (prepared by Randall Henry)**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Members present: Brian Backhaus, Chris Brown, Scott Burns (Scott Burns was installed as a board member later in the agenda), Brian Ebbert, Mike Ellison, Randall Henry, Tanya Lammerding, Chip O'Neill, and Tommy Stroud. Members absent: Nita Barve and John Heiser.

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Minutes from the May 4, 2016 meeting were read and approved.

#### **SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

At 7:10m, by unaninous vote, Scott Burns was installed as a board member for a term of office to expire on March 30, 2017.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was read and approved. Randall Henry discussed the additional revenues that have been received by the association in the last two months.

#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

## Discussed the following items:

- Brian Backhaus and Brian Ebbert attended a Shriners Hospital fundraiser sponsored by SLP business Detail Maniac. They had conversations with the business owner regarding partnering with the association.
- Brian Ebbert had a discussion with Steve Winlock, President, Land Park Community Association, concerning residents of South Land Park Terrace expressing interest in joining the South Land Park Neighborhood Association. Winlock indicated he would confer with the LPCA board on the issue.
- Brian Ebbert made the necessary registration for SLPNA's sponsorship of a National Night Out event.
- Tanya Lammerding is working with Tony and Elizabeth Moseby to secure a suitable business location in this area for a coffee house.
- Tanya Lammerding and Carl Sjovold have volunteered to be participants in a new program authorizing agricultural activities on city-owned properties.
- The brochure for the Mid-Century Modern Home Tour (June 18) will include an ad from SLPNA (7,500 copies).
- The former Neptune's Table building site in the South Hills Shopping Center is scheduled to be demolished sometime in early June.
- SLPNA received a donation of \$350 from Mary Rowher via he Fidelity Charitable grant fund, a donor-advised fund. Mary Rowher is a local resident and association member.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Trail and Greenbelt Committee:**

- Chip O'Neill will represent the board on the hiring panel established by the City of Sacramento to select an engineering firm to perform work related to the proposed Del Rio Trail. Scott Burns was selected as the alternate representative.
- After receiving clearance from City staff, Brian Ebbert met with representatives from Dokken Engineering (May 10), a possible applicant for the engineering contract.
- Brian Ebbert, Nita Barve, and Mike Conlon attended and testified at the Sacramento City Council meeting (May 17) that authorized the funding for the engineering work and transfer of Palomar Circle property to the city.

## **Bylaws Committee:**

Brian Ebbert noted the amendments matrix submitted by Scott Burns is under review by the committee. Scott Burns suggested that the matrix be submitted to all board members.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Discussed the following items and took the following actions:

- Nita Barve will undertake a general redesign of the association's website upon her return later this month from an out-of-country trip.
- No action was taken concerning participating in a seminar on estate and health planning.
- Approved June 10, 2016, as the effective date for liability insurance coverage from State Farm Insurance.
- Authorized (8-1 vote) the expenditure of up to \$500 for the purchase of up to 50 t-shirts from Kombat Inc. Scott Burns will research any sales tax issues related to the sale of the t-shirts by SLPNA. Brian Ebbert will continue to consult with Kombat Inc. on the color and design of the shirts.
- The volunteer assignments for the Mid-Century Modern Home Tour (June 18) were discussed. (9-11:00 a.m.: Randall Henry; 11-1 p.m.: Brian Ebbert; 1-3:00 p.m.: Brian Backhaus). Event organizers expect over 1,000 attendees.
- Brian Ebbert indicated that he would provide the logistics and necessary arrangements related to the association's participating in the "Fourth of July Spirit of the Pocket Parade."
- Approved the following location and starting time for the National Night Out event (August 2) sponsored by SLPNA: Alice Birney Elementary School, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Discussed some task assignments and food preparation.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Board had a general discussion about association priorities and the ability and capacity to conduct community events. Regarding specific events for 2016, the board indicated it wanted to schedule more crime seminars; await further details regarding the Capital Radio Pop-up program; and no longer consider sponsoring a community health fair.

## **ADJOURNMENT**