

Toluca Lake Homeowners Association

Minutes of the Board Meeting

Lakeside Golf Club

Monday, August 18, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Beverly Ventriss at 6:22 PM.

Present were Beverly Ventriss, Jeanie Hatch, Pam Scharlach, Jay Goldberg, Susanne Hayes, Reyn Blight, Kari Negri-Donatelli, Richard Bogy

Excused: Don Miller, Janice Eaton, Sharon Alfors, Mary Ling, Peter Hartz, Craig Strong, Brian Folb

Guest: Alice Roth, Teddy Davis

1. Jeanie Hatch volunteered to take minutes.
2. The Minutes of the June 24, 2014 meeting were approved. (Blight/Scharlach)
3. The Treasurer's Report from Kari Negri-Donatelli was added to the Agenda and the Agenda for the August 18, 2014 meeting was approved. (Blight/Scharlach)
4. Beverly Ventriss introduced Teddy Davis, Candidate for Council District 4. Mr. Davis informed the Board of his background and bio and his ideas for Council District 4. He also took questions from the Board.
5. Beverly Ventriss reported that the target area for the NBCUniversal Traffic Mitigation Plan vote did not cast enough votes to pass any mitigation. There were only 31% of the 51% votes needed. More information to come at a later date.
6. Reyn Blight reported the new TL 501(c) (3) and Beautification Fund Committee will probably be merged. The focus now is to utilize the \$200,000 from Universal by Dec. 31. Discussion included suggestions, among others, of benches, trash receptacles and crosswalks. Funds not spent will be moved into the 501 (c) (3) for future projects, but we lose 9% of what we don't utilize. Mention was made of the confusion between what is identified for the Streetscape plan and for the \$200,000 funds. Some difficulty was also expressed in using the online Streetscape survey. Reyn mentioned working with Robyn Allen of the Garden Club to identify possible sites to plant trees (\$40-45,000 possible budget). Beverly mentioned Robyn and she met with Darnell and Bob Hale of Universal to discuss improvement to the Cahuenga/134 ramps. Universal agreed to draw up a landscape plan but wants community groups to take ownership of any projects they fund. The project could be expensive; Universal subsidizing the cost was emphasized as it serves as a major gateway to the studio. Focus for now is what smaller projects can be done in the main part of Toluca Lake on Riverside Dr.

7. Jay Goldberg discussed the decline in crime in the area and encouraged others to sign up for the ACS Security Patrol. Susanne Hayes mentioned the attempted theft of her father-in-law's Porsche on Toluca Lake Avenue.
8. Alice Roth reported on the National Night Out Event. She also informed the Board that the Beautification truck is in the area every Wednesday and she will check on clearing the area around the off-ramps near the Cahuenga area.
9. Kari Negri-Donatelli gave the membership renewal update. Three members have renewed, but still approximately seven short for this year's budget projection. The goal is to get 25 new members.
10. Kari Negri-Donatelli gave the Treasurer's Report.
11. Susanne Hayes is working on the Turkey Trot, but will need additional help.
12. Richard Bogy was nominated for the Chair of the Candidate Forum, with a possible date in January.
13. A more permanent date for TLHOA meeting was discussed and the second Tuesday of the month was decided.
14. Richard Bogy reported that the Campo de Cahuenga California Birthday Dinner will be held on Saturday, September 13 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Alice Roth can be contacted for tickets to the dinner (\$35.00). Park in Metro parking lot.
15. Beverly Ventriss gave the update on filming in Toluca Lake reporting that Brian Folb is waiting for additional information from Athena Locations before drafting a letter of introduction from the TLHOA to residents, so we have done our due diligence.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 9, 2014