

**Minutes of the Board of Directors****15 Apr 2004**

The LHCA Board meeting was called to order by Vice President Allan Boodnick at 7:00 PM.

**Secretary & Treasurer Report**

- Minutes of the 18 March 2004 meeting were approved.
- Treasurer's Report for March 2004 was approved. Allan Boodnick commended for great collection efforts from film companies. Cheryl Cook will compare membership list against homes used most frequently for filming and will encourage them to become dues paying members if not already paid.

**Crime and Safety**

- **Statistics.** Donna Samuels, LA Sheriff's Department, provided crime statistics for Apr:

Crime statistics Sep 2003	Homicide	Rape	Robbery Weapon	Robbery: Strong Arm	Aggravated Assault	Burglary: Residence	Burglary: Other structure	Grand Theft	Grand Theft Auto	Arson	Vehicle Burglary	Petty Theft	Totals
Upper Ladera				1									1
Lower Ladera	1			3		1		4	1			2	12
Old Ladera		1	1		1				1			1	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>			<b>3</b>	<b>18</b>

Statistics for Lower Ladera include Ladera Center.

- **CHP.** Officer Austin distributed copies of laws and regulations governing motor scooters. CHP will pay close attention to non-licensed ice cream truck operators and impounding their trucks when possible.
- **LAPD.** Unable to attend
- **LASD.** Sgt. Thrash reported March crime statistics continue to be on a downward trend. Encouraged everyone not to relax but continue to be vigilant and watch out for neighbors. He also reported homicide on Radlock in Lower Ladera. Owner of M&M restaurant shot and robbed outside his home approximately 11:44 p.m. last night. Anyone with information related to this incident is encouraged to call 310 890-5500. Supervisor Burke joined the meeting briefly to express concern for loss of very respected citizen of the community. Reward of \$10K will be posted on Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, for information leading to the arrest and conviction of person(s) responsible for this homicide. Channel 9 news crew accompanied Supervisor Burke.

**Old Business**

- **Ladera Center:** Tanya Keshishian reported that Shelter Bay will pay the utilities for the Sheriff location. The Sheriff building sign will be moved to the new location within the next 60 days. New tenant at old location will be Wells Fargo Bank. Tanya reported hearing Fatburger owner may still be planning new site at NE corner of La Cienega and Centinela. Gene Eldridge attended Inglewood City Hall Meeting last month where Fatburger owner withdrew application – Gene will follow-up to see if anything has changed since that meeting.
- **Von's Center:** Officer Wickes, LAPD, has appointment with Von's manager on April 19<sup>th</sup> and hopes to offer advice on the concerns about the condition of that center.
- **USPS:** Alvetia Smith and Pat Freeman unable to attend tonight due to April 15<sup>th</sup> IRS deadline and mad rush at post office but will attend May meeting to address concerns raised in our March meeting.

**New Business**

- **Theresa Hayes:** Election for fall still pending and Karen Bass sends her regrets tonight but would like to attend our next meeting. Ms. Hayes reported there will be a series of "listening tours" between June and August throughout the entire 47<sup>th</sup> District to get a sense of major concerns in the district as a whole. This will help Ms. Bass focus on issues in Sacramento. There is an introductory meeting next Thursday, 4-22-04, at 6 p.m. at Ms. Bass' office on La Cienega and Jefferson. (NE corner) Ms. Hayes is seeking a representative from LHCA to attend and receive an overview of the "listening tour". After the tour is over the group will reconvene in September to assess the information collected throughout the district. Looking for common thread to improve quality of life within 47<sup>th</sup> District. Frieda Rentie volunteered to attend on behalf of LHCA.

**Committee Reports**

- **LHCA Website:** Sy Fountaine, Ron Woods, and Gene Eldridge met offline and agreed to try accepting sponsorship for one year and assess how it goes. LHCA would have the right to shut down the site if gets out of hand and could have a back-up sponsor if not pleased with trial company. Site could have more than one sponsor but if a particular realm wants to pay high enough amount, that sponsor could have exclusive rights to that realm, i.e., Real Estate could be held by an exclusive sponsor while other realms could be sponsored by additional companies. Since only 3 out of 5 committee members were present for last website meeting, entire committee will reconvene and provide written recommendation prior to the next board meeting. Will make formal presentation in next month's board meeting after first providing a written report.
- **Security Cameras:** Gene Eldridge provided overview of project for benefit of visitors in attendance. He is continuing to work through red tape and could use help locating actual owners of some of the Slauson triplexes. Under consideration is \$100 one-time fee from home-owners to finance costs and if that is the case, homeowners who permit cameras would be exempt. Will make formal presentation at next month's board meeting.
- **Vice President's & BH Conservancy Report:** Allan Boodnick reported the BH Conservancy held evening meeting this month. Recommendation to Senator Murray on SB1259 was major accomplishment. Re-energizing the CAC is a vital aspect of our community safety, security, and quality of life. CAC open to community suggestions.
- **CAC:** Carmen Spiva reported Holy Cross Cemetery stopped dumping dirt and expressed thank you to Conservancy for helping with that. Earth Day Celebration will be held April 17<sup>th</sup> at Kenneth Hahn Park.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Board members present were Sandra Goldsmith Bennett, Allan Boodnick, Cheryl Cook, Gene Eldridge, Sy Fountaine, Willa Hector, Carmen Spiva, Florida Toussant, and Ron Woods. Alternates Margie Evans, Ruth Lawrence, Alease Love, Frieda Rentie, and Phyllis Stewart were present. Guests included Tanya Keshishian, Theresa Hayes, B. Granville, Val Murphy, Marie Monk, Tom Lehn, Ruth Croft, Ulysses Tory, Winston Peters, Lynn Mitchell, Tracie Lyons, Harold Gee, David McLeod, Eloise Ferguson, and others. Apologies for any misspelled names.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ruth E. Lawrence