

Minutes of the Board of Directors

21 Oct 2004

LHCA Board meeting called to order by President Ronni Cooper at 7:00 PM.

Secretary & Treasurer Report

- Minutes of the Sep 16, 2004 meeting were approved.
Treasurer's Report for Sep 2004 was approved.

Crime and Safety

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

Table with 13 columns: 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. Rows include Upper Ladera, Lower Ladera, Old Ladera, and Totals.

Statistics for Lower Ladera include Ladera Center.

- LASD. Sgt. Thrash reminded everyone to take extra precautions as the holidays approach. For example, don't leave packages visible in vehicles and be alert to follow-home robbers.

Old Business

- School District: Bud Raymond wrote IUSD article for the newsletter to spark community interest. Our goal is to have Ladera residents officially become part of the Culver City School District.
November Town Hall: This year the Town Hall will be held at the University Christian Church at 5831 W. Centinela. Ronni will call Clinton Tatum of Supvr Burke's office and also Karen Bass. A representative of the Ladera Wells Fargo Bank also plans to attend. Ron Woods will get the dues envelopes to Ronni prior to the election and Ronni will get the printed membership list to Ron. Frieda and Willa will work the door. Erin McGoldrick, Urban Education Partnership, who attended last months meeting will attend the Town Hall to distribute and collect the surveys she agreed to provide. We will open to the community at 6:30 p.m. and the actual Town Hall will begin at 7 p.m. There will be a brief Board Meeting following the Town Hall.

LaCienega and 64th Street: Resident Shelley Ballance reported a representative from LA County contacted her today to acknowledge he is in receipt of Ronni's letter addressing the LHCA's concerns with traffic, safety liability, sound abatement, speed, and hazards. Ronni also received correspondence from Supvr Burke acknowledging her willingness to assist with this issue. Ruth will add the wall to the agenda on a monthly basis. We need to keep the appropriate agencies focused on the broken chain link fence and the need for a permanent sound barrier in the 5900 - 6100 blocks of LaCienega on the west and east side of the boulevard.

New Business

- Donation: Vickie Evans provided a brochure regarding music week. A motion was made and carried to donate \$300 to the Los Angeles Music Week.

Committee Reports

- **Senior Center:** Alma Fowlkes shared a copy of the interior and exterior floor plan. Very nice layout with plenty of parking and the plans are on track.
- **Security Cameras:** Research work in progress.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Board members present were Sandra Bennett, Allan Boodnick, Cheryl Cook, Ronni Cooper, Alma Fowlkes, Carmen Spiva,, and Ron Woods. Alternates Vickie Evans, Ruth Lawrence, Frieda Rentie, and Bud Raymond were present. Guests included Lynn Mitchell, Joseph Mitchell, Sgt. Thrash, and Shelley Balance. Apologies for any misspelled or omitted visitor names.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ruth E. Lawrence