

Minutes of the Board of Directors

17 Mar 2005

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

Secretary & Treasurer Report

- February 2005 minutes of the Board approved.
- Treasurer's Report for February 2005 approved

Crime and Safety

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

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						1	3
Lower Ladera			1		1	1	1	1	2		1	1	9
Old Ladera	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Totals			1	1	1	2	1	1	2		1	2	12*

Statistics for Lower Ladera include Ladera Center. * Old Ladera omitted pending data correction by LASD to separate from Winsor Hills

- **LASD.** Sgt. Thrash reported crime down. Few hours earlier today a "possible" suspect was apprehended and being interviewed at LAPD Pacific Division regarding recent armed robberies and too soon to know whether related. Captain's secretary still working to get Old Ladera Crime Stats separated from Windsor Hills.

Old Business

- **Public Hearing AM-PM Arco Station:** Allan Boodnick received notification the hearing date to be rescheduled. Ruth sent letter of opposition from LHCA last month. Allan will advise Jeff Appel of Unified Gas that we are consistent with our position on same issue for ARCO and Unified Gas, both located at Slauson and La Brea.
- **24 Hour Fitness Center:** Allan Boodnick reported that he and Ronni Cooper met with Supvr. Burke's Chief Deputy and Mark Scoggins of Johnson Development. They requested the parking lot be opened for longer free member parking so that residents can avoid resorting to permit parking on the streets. Fitness Center has posted a small sign inside the center that says don't park on residential streets – hardly noticeable. Announcements are being made throughout the day on the P.A. system. Allan and Ronni requested the center make an overall assessment of how long members stay. They also suggested expanding to 4 hours, the center countered with 3, and now the center is hedging on even the 1 extra hour that would be gained with 3 hours parking. Permit parking is really the best route to take at this point. Although residents are opposed to permit parking it would provide legal recourse for parking enforcement. Another resident suggested fencing the area along Slauson to limit accessibility.

Clinton Tatum joined the meeting late for this discussion. He and John Hill have a meeting scheduled with Johnson Development next week regarding this issue. He advised the residents they would be required to pay for the privilege of restricted parking. Residents are opposed to any costs. Since Johnson Development is not upholding the tenets originally agreed upon, residents feel the County should address this issue. Mrs. Charlee Williams is willing to attend the meeting with Clinton next week at Johnson Development. Clinton will 1) schedule the meeting, 2) notify Mrs. Williams so she can join, 3) Mrs. Williams will report on the meeting results at the April LHCA meeting.

- **School Petition:** Per Bud Raymond new forms have been received and distributed to captains of Old, Upper, and Lower Ladera. Had to dispose of old ones and use these forms instead. Even if residents signed the old ones they

still need to sign again. Must also be a registered voter. We need 2000 signatures and could use some additional people to canvas for signatures.

- **LaCienega and 64th Street:** Clinton Tatum of Supervisor Burke's office reported no update other than June is the anticipated period for receipt of analysis information.
- **Ladera Center:** New property manager, Kathy Roshay reported both Jamba Juice and H & R Block have opened. There is a landscape overhaul starting in the center April 5th. Lot of exterior lighting was out last month and she has had those replaced. Noticed 2 more lights out tonight and will replace those also.
- **Ladera Park Construction – Picnic Tables:** No update - Clinton Tatum of Supervisor Burke's office not present at February meeting and had forgotten to follow-up on this item. Will provide update in April meeting.
- **PXP Drilling Noise – Upper Ladera:** Per Carmen Spiva drilling noise has resumed. Upper Ladera residents met recently with Mike Davis and played taped recordings of drilling noises. Upper Ladera resident and attorney, George Mallory drafting a letter regarding lights, noise, and new wells closer to homes per Carmen. Clinton Tatum advised if they don't have a permit the County will declare a nuisance. Carmen is concerned the County may not be able to do that if they DO in fact have a permit. Ronni advised Carmen to have Upper Ladera residents to 1) draft their letter re PXP issues, 2) email to Ruth for Ronni's review, with Ronni's approval Ruth will affix Ronni's signature and send to Steve Rusch of PXP with a cc to Supvr Burke.
- **Parent School – Air Conditioning Units on Roof:** No update.

Committee Reports

- **Vice President's & BH Conservancy Report:** Allan Boodnick reminded the Board that the Conservancy Newsletter is coming out soon.
- **Neighborhood Watch:** Cheryl Cook reported new group on Lower Corning held another meeting.
- **CAC:** Gene Eldridge reported a candidate was selected from the 3 people interviewed for Captain in the Marina Sheriff Station. Unable to share a name at this time. Gene also advised members that on April 14th, 6:30 p.m. at the Marriott Courtyard in Marina del Rey there will be a community service presentation on identity theft. The last week of March is SAFE community week. If interested in participating call Gene. The CAC has given the Explorers an award for their community service in the removal of graffiti. Next CAC meeting is March 28th at Marina Yacht Club.
- **Website:** Sy Fountaine reported the site is up to date. He has begun re-initiation of looking for sponsors.
- **Beautification:** No update.
- **Senior Center:** Alma Fowlkes reported the plans are going very well. She met with Jim Smith earlier today to monitor the activities. Will be breaking ground sometime early in September. Plans are moving along fine and building will start approximately August or September. Alma has another meeting with Mr. Smith in March.
- **Newsletter:** Cheryl Cook reported the current newsletter was recently in lavender and she still wants to explore some membership drive activities.

• **Miscellaneous:**

- Gene announced Sgt Lincoln is retiring and provided retirement dinner info
- Resident near 62nd and Holt requested speed bumps due to recent speeding followed by accident. Ronni explained traffic engineering study process and the existing speed humps are part of a study.
- Resident near Slauson and Bedford reported oversized camper back. Ronni advised her to contact Traffic Enforcement
- Resident reported suspicious activity associated with a camper that moves around in Old Ladera. Sgt Thrash encouraged her to call it in whenever she sees it happening.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Directors present were Sandra Goldsmith Bennett, Allan Boodnick, Cheryl Cook, Ronni Cooper, Gene Eldridge, Sy Fountaine, Ruth Lawrence, Carmen Spiva, and Florida Toussant. Alternates present were Margie Evans, Vickie Evans, Alma Fowlkes, Shirley Miles, Phyllis Stewart, and Bud Raymond.

Guests included Cheryl Irvine, Beverly Tillis, Kathleen Roshay, Dena Ingram, Charlee Williams, Mignon Grigsby Day, Clifford Newmon, Ivery Toussant, Jacques Gravett, and Timothy Christopher. Apologies for any misspelled or omitted visitor names.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ruth E. Lawrence, LHCA Secretary