

Minutes of the Board of Directors

Dec 16, 2005

LHCA Board meeting called to order by President Ronni Cooper at 7:10 PM

Secretary & Treasurer Report

- The November 2005 minutes of the Board approved with 2 corrections: the correct spelling of Clifford Neuman's name and the LAFD Captain's name is Bryan Jordan.
- Treasurer's Report for November 2005 approved. Distributed the proposed budget for FY 2006. Removed proposed donation to Parent Elementary and shifted to the CAC. Board Members should review proposed budget further and contact Ron with any upgrades. Proposed budget will be finalized in Jan meeting.

Crime and Safety

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

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						2
Lower Ladera		1	1			2		2			2		8
Totals		1	1			3	1	2			2		10

Stats for Lower Ladera include Ladera Center. LASD unable to separate Old Ladera from Windsor Hills – Old Ladera not shown as of Jan 2005.

- **LASD:** Captain Campbell thanked the LHCA for CAC contributions and toys for the Christmas toy drive. She hopes to leverage our donation with a compounded contribution from Mattel. Capt. Campbell planned to introduce a new COPS officer tonight, Patty Bahorkis, but she was called away to an arrest scene related to what is believed to be a car jacking. Five suspects apprehended. There are plans to add another COPS officer to the Marina Station soon. ALERT: Male, black, 5'7", age 18 – 35, with boxer's nose, cast on left arm, on 12-04-05 robbed Foot Action in Ladera center. Armed, very dangerous, and wanted for numerous armed robberies. A lot of good work has been going on and the Captain has been proactively trying to increase number of deputies since last April. Last Saturday (Dec 10th) the LASD had an "enforcement action" at TGIF. In approximately 60 to 90 minutes they cleared the entire parking lot.

New Business

- **Election of Officers for 2006:** Motions were made and passed re-electing Ronni Cooper, President, Allan Boodnick, Vice President, Ron Woods, Treasurer, and Ruth Lawrence, Secretary.
- **SSS:** Security Service System is planning an increase from \$21.50 to \$25 for alarm monitoring and from \$20 to \$25 for Patrol service. Customers who subscribe to both services will get a break of \$46 for both as opposed to \$50. New comers will get first 3 months free.
- **Conditional Use Permit:** We received a notice for permit request to authorize the sale of beer and wine at an existing convenience store and gas station at La Brea and Slauson. Ruth will send letter opposing permit which is consistent with our action on previous requests.

Committee Reports

- **Senior Center:** Alma Fowlkes reported Center had meeting on 1st Tuesday of December – announced the Supervisor will have ground breaking on Jan 21, 2006.

- **CAC:** Gene Eldridge reported the CAC has a new President – Fred Scott. Gene suggested additional participation from the LHCA Board would be good. Clifford Neuman volunteered. Gene also recommends that our Board should provide direction on how we'd like to see our donation used.
- **Block Clubs:** Cheryl Cook reported more show of interest from new blocks.
- **Beautification:** Dorothy Harris – no updates at this time.
- **BHC:** Allan Boodnick reported the BHC had a very productive year. They hired a PR firm last year in addition to acquiring more land in the Stocker green belt.
- **School Petition:** The petition process is moving along and there is a meeting with the County on January 18, 2006.
- **Filming:** Allan Boodnick reported the group that issues permits for filming (EIDC) took the recommendation seriously to change their name making it more recognizable – Film L.A., Inc.
- **Website:** Sy Fountaine stopped in earlier but not able to stay due to scheduling conflict. He reported no updates on sponsors for advertising but will look into it.
- **Ladera Center:** No representation. Cathy Roshay reported no longer with them. Secretary, Ruth Lawrence will contact Tanya for new representative info.
- **2006 Committee Review:** Allan Boodnick and Board members reviewed the 2005 Committee roster and made changes for 2006. The Board agreed remove BHC Coalition, CAC-Diane Watson, Legislators, Parent Elementary, Comcast, Junk Leaflets, and Sound Wall. The original Beautification group and the LaCienega/Fairview group were combined to be one Committee. Darrick Davis will replace Phyllis Stewart as the Ladera Park representative. He will also backfill for Dorothy Harris at the LAX roundtable meetings. A motion was made and passed naming Darrick as an Alternate Board member. Sandra Goldsmith Bennett in the role of Secretary's Assistant will check the Secretary's minutes and agenda. Willa Hector will assist Margie Evans with the LHCA voice mail. The ad-hoc Website committee was renamed to Website Content and also moved from a Special Committee to a Standing Committee. There were numerous content suggestions for the website. A recommendation was made to contact Sy Fountaine directly with all of those suggestions since he constantly asks for content items. Ruth will update the Committee list for 2006 and send to members via e-mail.
- **Clinton Tatum:** No updates at this time.

Miscellaneous

- **Trash Pick-up – LA County Streets:** Cheryl Cook will call Dean at the County to confirm when LA County converts to the large cans issued for use by trucks with electronic arms.

Directors present were Sandra Goldsmith Bennett, Allan Boodnick, Cheryl Cook, Ronni Cooper, Gene Eldridge, Alma Fowlkes, Dorothy Harris, Willa Hector Ruth Lawrence, Bud Raymond, Carmen Spiva, Ron Woods. Alternate Directors present were Clifford Neuman and Frieda Rentie. Visitors included Darrick Davis, Henry Harris, and Jodean Sparling. he Board Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ruth E. Lawrence, LHCA Secretary