

Minutes of the Board of Directors

Feb 16, 2006

LHCA Board meeting called to order by Vice President Allan Boodnick at 7:07 PM

Secretary & Treasurer Report

- The January 2006 minutes of the Board approved.
- Treasurer's Report for January 2006 approved. Updated copies of budget for FY 2006 were distributed and reviewed.

Crime and Safety

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

| Crime statistics | 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 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Lower Ladera | | | | | | 1 | | 2 | 2 | | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Totals | | | | | | 1 | | 2 | 2 | | 1 | 1 | 7 |

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:** Sgt. Thrash reported no spikes in Ladera crime stats. Community has been great in keeping lines of communication open. First round of Citizens Academy just completed. The Crime Lab gave an overview of how fingerprints are processed. Speakers covered elder abuse and techniques used with gangs. Citizens role played pretending to be a deputy stopping a car for a citation. There will be a future graduation ceremony.
- **LAPD:** Officer Wickes unavailable tonight – in Westchester.
- **CHP:** Officer Blaise unavailable tonight - in training.

New Business

- **PXP:** Nyambo Anuluoha attended on behalf of Steve Rusch who will attend next month. She explained causes of the odor nuisance resulting in multiple emergency agencies responding on Jan 10, 2006. (Police, Fire, and AQMD) Per Ms. Anuluoha, PXP was drilling in a deeper zone. There was a substance that was gooey and smelly combined with Santa Ana winds causing the smell to linger. The same incident occurred the next week so they moved off that well to a different well. There were also sound issues related to the first well because they should have been using a bigger rig. PXP is taking measures for noise abatement and now have "quiet" hours from 10 pm to 7 am. Residents have been given PXP contact numbers and operators are on duty 24 hours. Ms. Anuluoha asked the Board to submit beautification requests for the greenbelt area between Holy Cross Cemetery and the Lewis homes to PXP because they would like to participate in our beautification efforts.
- **Soccer Field:** Derrick Butler, Commissioner for the Soccer league on Fairfax extended his gratitude for our LHCA support the last 2 years. They have now registered over 650 players. Other AYSO leagues love coming to play on our fields. A motion was made and passed to donate \$500 to the AYSO Fairfax Soccer Field.

Committee Reports

- **Senior Center:** Alma Fowlkes reported the ground-breaking ceremony was a wonderful event with approximately 80 to 100 people in attendance. Construction should begin late March or early April.

- **CAC:** Gene Eldridge reported the new CAC President is Fred Scott. Gene recently attended CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) training. He highly recommends this excellent program.
- **Beautification:** no updates at this time.
- **School Petition:** Allan Boodnick and Cheryl Cook reported our appeal is filed and pending with the State Board. Invited to next month's meeting will be the Superintendent of the Wiseburn School District. They have excellent test scores. The March newsletter will carry an announcement and the March meeting will be held at the University Christian Church to accommodate a larger audience.
- **Website:** Sy Fountaine reported our website is newly designed with more functionality, better home page, better portal, and has a bulletin board. He is waiting for the Website Content committee to provide more content for use on the site.
- **Ladera Center:** Cyndy May unable to attend.
- **Clinton Tatum:** Clinton shared information regarding the Supervisor's 27th Annual Living Legends event being held on February 25, 2006.

Miscellaneous

- **Upper Ladera Filming:** Resident, Joe Gazal of Upper Ladera presented his complaints about the frequency of filming near his home. He will conduct a survey of his neighbors to determine how many are for, against, or neutral. Allan Boodnick gave an overview of the community benefits derived from filming and also suggested Mr. Gazal provide the specifics of his complaints to the appropriate person so that his concerns can be resolved. Mr. Gazal has been provided with the Film contact names and numbers,
- **March Minutes:** Ruth will not be able to attend the March 16th meeting and requested a volunteer to take the minutes. Mr. Gazal volunteered to take the minutes. After further checking, business conducted by the board must be recorded by a Director or an Alternate. Ruth sent Mr. Gazal an email thanking him for his offer and advised him we will make other arrangements.

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Directors present were: Allan Boodnick, Cheryl Cook, Sy Fountaine, Alma Fowlkes, Willa Hector, Ruth Lawrence, Carmen Spiva, Ron Woods. Alternate Directors present: Darrick Davis. Visitors included Charlee Williams, Clinton Tatum, Sgt. Thrash, Mark Robinson, Charles Hubbard, Joe Gazal, Nyambo Anuluoha, Henry Harris, Derrick Butler, H.D. and Paula Jenkins, and Raymond Dove. Apologies for any misspelled or omitted visitor names.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ruth E. Lawrence, LHCA Secretary