

West Van Nuys/Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council Meeting

January 4, 2006 - 7:30pm

7412 Balboa Boulevard

I. ROLL CALL

Call to order 7:32pm. -- 13 present; 2 absent

Attending: Mark Bower, Rosemary Campbell, William (Bill) Haller, Alex Les, Scott Taylor, Steve Leffert, Joyce MacKinnon, Luciana Dar, Theresa Pollock, Lisa Reveen, Clay Gallardo, and Linda Pruett and Yves Chery (20:05). Quorum is present.

Absent: Robert Katz, Shawn Moradian

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Agenda was adopted as presented.

III. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: BOARD MEETINGS 06/22/05, 07/27/05, 8/24/05, 9/24/05, 10, 26/05, 11/30/05

Reading and correction of minutes from past NC board meetings

06/22/05 – tabled, not prepared

07/27/05 – tabled, not prepared

08/24/05 – Leffert moved, seconded, APPROVED

09/28/05 – Leffert moved, seconded, APPROVED

10/26/05 – Bower moved, seconded, APPROVED

11/30/05 – Rosemary moved, seconded, APPROVED

IV. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Bill Haller, President

Linda Pruett, Vice President

Steve Leffert, Election Committee Chair

Elections – March 18, 2006

Steve Leffert, Community Name Change Committee Chair

Yves Cherie, Treasurer

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Officer David Ham - LAPD Senior Lead Officer

Officer Ron Carter, Officer - LAPD Senior Lead Officer

Lynda Levitan – Field Director Councilman Tony Cardenas

John Bwarie – Greig Smith's Field Office Deputy

Fortuna Ippoliti – Area Director, Neighborhood Community Service, Mayor's Office

Officer John _____ - LAPD Dept of Transportation Division

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS

Joe Biddie – Granada Hills Neighborhood Council Board Member.

- Addressed agenda issue of Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Congress

VI. PUBLIC FORUM – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Denise Leffert - Sherman Way tunnel under airport is very dirty and has significant graffiti.

Bahman "Moe" Mojallal - Noted that nearby property owner had removed a mature tree from their property and that the loss of a tree was a negative for the community.

VII. BRIEF RESPONSE FROM THE BOARD

Taylor will investigate options for getting additional trees in community to help replace trees that have been removed, damaged, or died.

Pollock will follow up w/ Linda Levitan re: Sherman Way/airport tunnel cleanliness issues.

Pruett – announcement re: Emergency Preparedness Committee

X. PARKING ENFORCEMENT PRESENTATION

Lt. Rodney Smith of the Valley Bureau of Parking Enforcement will answer stakeholder questions;

XI. DEPT. OF AGING SPEAKER

Moved to future meeting, TBD.

Board Business

XII. LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL CONGRESS (Campbell/Dar)

Consideration on whether the WVNLBNC should approve charter and join LANCC, www.lanccongress.org

Motion by Dar – That WVNLBNC to join the LANCC. Motion seconded.
Amendment to Motion (Chery) “and to revisit joining the congress if there’s a significant monetary contribution.” Seconded. AMENDMENT FAILED.
APPROVED.

XIII. ANIMAL WELFARE (Reveen)

Consideration on whether the WVNLBNC should create an Animal Welfare Committee and/or appoint a Director of Animal Welfare. www.DAWprogram.org

Motion by Pruettt – That WVNLBNC create an animal welfare committee. Seconded.
APPROVED (as a standing committee). Reveen is appointed as chair.

XIV. ELECTION PROCEDURES (Leffert)

Approval of procedures requested by Elections Committee. Motion made by committee.
APPROVED.

XV. APPOINTMENTS TO WVNLB NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD

Motion by Chery – Bahman “Mo” Mojallal shall be appointed to the vacant Business Stakeholder Representative seat that shall be filled at the upcoming election. Seconded.

APPROVED.

XVI. ELECTION OF 2ND VICE PRESIDENT (Bower)

The bylaws have been amended to include a second Vice President.

Motion by Chery - In accordance with the approved Bylaw changes, Steve Leffert is nominated to take the position of Second Vice President. Seconded.

APPROVED.

XVII. NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES; Discussion on overgrown trees, sidewalks, vehicles on Haskell between Victory and Sherman Way, School Buses at Lemay and Haskell;

Motion to table for discussion at next meeting. Seconded.

APPROVED.

XVIII. Unfinished Business

Street Racing Poster.

Motion by Bower - Approve the final sample of the Street Racing Poster with the correction of the credit to "Printing Courtesy Of The West Van Nuys/Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council". APPROVED.

XX. Adjournment

Submitted by
Scott Taylor
Secretary WVNLBNC