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MINUTES of the MONTHLY MEETING of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday April 15, 2010

Strathern Elementary School Auditorium, 7939 St. Clair Avenue, North Hollywood, CA.

CALL TO ORDER: Pres. Ernie Moscoso called the meeting to order at 7:10PM, and led the pledge of allegiance. Pres. Moscoso took the roll. Present were: Phil Manson, Ben Moore, Sarah Ramsawack. Since one more person was needed for a quorum Pres. Moscoso moved on to the swearing in of the new board members. Joaquin Macias administered the oath to Monica Austin Johnson, Ben Moore and Ernie Morcoso. Dr Chang arrived in time to take pictures of the new members, Inez Morin arrived and Dr. Chang took pictures of the entire board.

Dr. Chang had to leave; he was on his way to the airport for a trip to Korea. With the necessary quorum, the meeting proceeded with the election of officers.

Ernie Moscoso was nominated for President, since there were no other nominees, a vote was taken. 6 yes 1 abstain. Phil Manson was nominated for Vice-President there were no other nominees, a vote was taken 7 Yes 0 No Ben Moore was nominated for Treasurer, no other nominees a vote was taken 7 yes 0 No. Florence Dorick was nominated for secretary and a vote was taken 6 yes 1 abstain. President Moscoso elaborated further on the duties of secretary saying the details of the office could be shared. Monica Austin-Johnson volunteered to help. Motion by Pres Moscoso passed 6 Yes 0 No,

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Ms. Ramsawack pointed out correction of Website address on first page of March Minutes should read www.nhnenc.com. Mr. Moore moved to

accept last month's minutes. Mr. Manson seconded and the Board approved by a 7 Yes 0 No.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC AND GOV'T REPRESENTATIVES: Council Rep. Joaquin Macias from District 2 Councilman Krekorian's office announced a plan inviting CD 2 citizens to join CLEAN TEAM. There will be three upcoming training sessions where you will learn to work with City Agencies on how to identify and resolve quality of life issues in your neighborhood. Help to reduce illegal signs, illegal vending, potholes and graffiti and other City Code violations Please RSVP with name phone #, and meeting date to damian.carrol@lacity.org. For further questions please call (818) 755-7676 or (818) 352-3287. Also the Council was asked to switch the monies that had been allocated to the North Valley Nature Center for lighting to the synthetic Soccer Field. This change would make it possible to have night Soccer games and alleviate the overcrowded day schedule. CD 2 would take care of putting solar lighting in the North Valley Nature Center. A new motion for the lights for the synthetic soccer field will be put on the May agenda. *

LAPD Officer Esther Vasquez reported on crime issues, particularly a rise in burglaries. Could offer no further info on Police Substation, biggest problem will be staffing.

Sheldon Walter quoted from April 8th edition of the Valley News regarding new transit system, over half million jobs will be available to Los Angeles workers created by the half cent sales tax over the next 30 years thanks to Measure R.

Karl Kunack reminded everyone of the Hugh Art Sale, Saturday April 17, 2010 at First Presbyterian Church of Granada Hills, all proceeds going to help build a much need shelter for the homeless of the Valley. Also Karl distributed the April Newsletter from Arminta Street Elementary School.

EAST VALLEY BASEBALL: Motion to grant East Valley Baseball \$4400.00 for baseball equipment to be used by the children who play East Valley Baseball, by Ms. Ramsawack - second Mrs. Dorick Vote 7-Yes 0-No. *

POLICE SUBSTATION: Report on Substation by Ms. Ramsawack was tabled to next month.

SUN VALLEY FLOOD ZONE PROJECT: Karl Kunack had nothing further to enlighten the Board and Stakeholders. There will be a meeting regarding Sun Valley Watershed at Sun Valley Park Thurs. Apr. 22 at 10:00AM the County, City and Dept. of Water & Power will be at the meeting. Karl Kunack was asked by Pres. Moscoso to report on this meeting at the Council's May meeting. Mr. Kunack agreed to make the report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ben Moore told the Board there is no roll-over funds. He presented an Expended Budget FY 09-10 and a Proposed Budget FY 09-10, they were both based on the yearly allocation of \$45,000.00. Some items on the Proposed Budget may clear on the roll over money, which means we have more money left to spend for

F.Y.09-10 which ends June30, 2010. Mr. Moore asked all members of the board to be thinking about the new fiscal year budget. Amount of same is unknown at this time. The new year has to be well thought out as to how we allocate the funds. President Moscoso commended Mr. Moore on his outstanding handling and explanation of all the funding.

Vanowen Public Library: Ms. Terri Markson Librarian requested the Board to re-consider our original motion to re-film the library windows. The Board had originally allocated monies to repair windows, that motion was rescinded when the City and Friends of the Library paid for the repairs. Now the windows need to be re-filmed to protect the glass from graffiti. Ms. Ramsawack made the motion to fund \$1,264.00 to cover the cost of re-filming windows. The motion passed 7-Yes 0-No, * Ms. Markson went on to inform the Board and Stake-holders of the shorten Library hours due to Budget cuts. President Moscoso suggested the Board might use the Library for our July and August meetings because Strathern Elementary School will be closed for vacation. Ms Markson replied "The Board was must welcome, just send her a reservation and be aware the Library closes at 8:00PM on Thursday."

OUTREACH REPORT: Ms. Sarah Ramsawack reported the Outreach Committee want T-Shirts with Board Logo on front and NHNENC on back, green with white lettering. Cost \$352.95 Estimated Cost \$400.00. Also Flyers 1,000 multi color print Cost \$60.00. Banner has to be expanded to include Telephone Number and Website cost \$100.00. Re-usable shopping bags with Council Name and Logo. All of the above to be used at Info Table at Food For Less on May 8, 2010. Ms. Ramsawack made a motion for funding T-Shirts \$400.00 Motion passed 7-Yes 0-No * Another motion was put before the Board by Ms. Ramsawack to cover flyers, banner expansion, re-usable shopping bags. Motion passed 7-Yess 0-No *

Stakeholder Melonie Magruer was recognized by Pres. Moscoso, she offered to research re-useable shopping bags at a good price. Ms. Ramsawack welcomed her input.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Ms. Ramsawack - Not wanting to go over 3 minute allocation of comment time, Sarah e-mailed her comments to all the board members before the meeting. What follows is a condensation of the 2 page E-Mail.

1. Thank you to Phil Manson for his commitment, skill and consistency to our new Website. It can be useful to put a meter on the home page, It maybe helpful to have a running tally of the number of logins.

2. All Board Members must be at a maximum level of efficiency. Be available on line for valuable info to the resources and our own ability to respond in a timely fashion to the concerns of the council. We need to see our involvement as Valuable Work for ourselves and to the community. We need to realize being a Board Member is not an honorary position. We are elected by the community. We are not committed to just meeting once per month. We need to follow through with the daily work between the

monthly meeting. Each new Board Member must complete the Ethics Training.

3. We need a daily search and response to E-mail that relates to our work. We need to be on certain E-mail lists that will keep us informed. NoHoNorthEastNC@gmail.com, ita.ensla@lacity.org. Websites are nhnenc.org, Done.lacity.org-go to Ethics Training online and click here.

4. Each member needs and updated list of Names, resident address, phone number, e-mail and the category they represent along with duties they perform for the Neighborhood Council.

5. Each member needs to be aware of the many lessons of the 2010 Audit from the office of Wendy Gruel Controller. Need to expect and insist that after being installed new board members must complete the Ethics Training within _____ number of days. Presently as of March 2009, we have seven members who have completed this training. Ms. Ramsawack's E-Mail is attached. Mr. Manson: Church Bulletin with Council Ad is going forward despite check snafu with Corporate Quarters.

Mrs. Dorick: If you have fish pond you know about the Gambusi mosquito fish that eat the mosquito larva will not be available till mid April. Please call 818-364-9589 for your supply of fish, Vector Control will make deliveries. Reminded everyone to empty any containers of standing water, don't make it easy for mosquitoes to breed. Also Valley Mission Art Auction to be held April 17th starting at 2:30PM all proceeds to be used for a much needed Homeless Family Shelter here in the Valley. The auction will be held at First Presbyterian Church of Granada Hills, 10400 Zelzah Ave. Granada Hills.

Mr. Moore: I'm Happy, just happy. It was one year in April, since I started coming to Council Meetings, and it just gets better

President Moscoso: Announced he will be making up the agendas for our meetings. You can E-mail him at <nohonortheastnc@gmail.com>. Please use this E-Mail address for all Council business.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to transact, and having reached the hour at which we needed to leave Ms. Morin moved to adjourn, Mr. Manson seconded and by unanimous vote, the meeting ended at 9:33PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Florence A. Dorick, Secretary