

VHNA Meeting Minutes: October 16, 2011

There were 27 names on the sign up sheet, including eight board members: Patty Willson, Stephenye Avery, Rich Ciccarello, Ray Ortiz, Divina LeRose-Ortiz, Robert Earley, Bob Stembridge and Myrna Calkins.

I. Call to Order. Meeting was called to order after 6:30 pm by Chris Fairchild (awaiting quorum).

II. Approval of Minutes. Only August available. Approved with corrections (spelling of San Rafael).

III. Approval of Agenda. Approved as submitted.

IV. President's Report. Chris reminded residents who received the yellow survey card from Rey Garduño to return it by Oct. 28th. (He is soliciting opinions regarding the barricades at Columbia and Santa Clara.) If you did not receive a card and want to respond, contact Julian Moya at 768-3152 or julianmoya@cabq.gov

V. Treasurer's Report. Divina submitted a report on the Annual Meeting (expenses, income & profit/loss summary), the 2010-2011 Budget and Reconciliation, the 2011-2012 Budget Proposal, and September NMEFCU statement. Membership dues income was less than half of what was budgeted (\$900 budgeted, \$430 actual). The Budget Proposal suggests re-instating membership dues with revised categories; there was discussion regarding the requirement for another bylaws revision if that were to happen. The current membership form clearly states that dues are optional and suggests an amount. Detailed discussion of the proposed budget was tabled.

Patty made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented with discussion for the 2011-2012 Budget Proposal to be on the agenda for the Nov. meeting. Seconded by Rich, motion passed.

VI. Committee Reports.

Traffic: Myrna met with the new SE Area commander. There have been trailer speed monitors set up on Girard, it makes a big difference when they are up. They are going to add a traffic counter soon, then report the results to VHNA so we can pass that information on to the city, perhaps get the speed limit lowered. There is money set aside for a study (Girard from Gibson to Indian School) but no timeline yet. The traffic committee will meet after Rey's survey results have been compiled, and, as with everything, the re-districting is an issue. Rich Ciccarello is the committee contact: 239-7593. He also suggested the idea of speed dips instead of speed humps (cheaper and more effective).

Zoning: Two projects on Girard are on the agenda at the next ZHE meeting; Patty will try to attend. The zone change request for the project on Garfield has been permanently withdrawn.

Redistricting: Chris missed the last meeting.

Crime & Safety: Ray briefly reviewed the Neighborhood Patrol program, there have been no new volunteers. (The city can present a training for a group of 20.) A resident who lives on Richmond (border with SE Heights NA) mentioned that she gets emails via an informal group of neighbors alerting all to anything suspicious. Divina reminded everyone about options for reporting crime via the website.

VII. Election of Officers: Five board members were nominated (by themselves or others) and volunteered for particular offices. Slate was accepted by acclamation.

| | |
|------------------|---------------------|
| President: | Ray Ortiz |
| Vice President: | Bob Stembridge |
| Treasurer: | Divina LeRose-Ortiz |
| Secretary: | Patty Willson |
| Parliamentarian: | Rich Ciccarello |

It was brought to the board's attention that Nancy Hubert has resigned. It was determined that if we don't reach a quorum at the next couple meetings, any board members with unexcused absences may be asked to submit a resignation (according to the bylaws) to bring the number of board members down to 9.

Thank you's and kudos to Chris Fairchild for her much appreciated work as President and the meeting was adjourned shortly after 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Willson

Encl: Treasurer's Report
Letter by Concerned Neighbors for Safety on Santa Clara (with 20 signatures)
Rey Garduño's survey card