Minutes of the Northridge East Neighborhood Council Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 21, 2013

- 1. Meeting Called to Order by Steve Patel at 7:10pm
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll Call Determination of Quorum: Steve Patel, Kelly Lord, Glenn Bailey, Steve Ramirez, Ankur Patel, Don Dwiggins, YJ Draiman, Alice McCain, Spencer Schmerling and Nestor Fantini
- **4. Agenda Setting Meeting Participation (S Patel):** Don Dwiggins, Ankur Patel, Steve Patel, Kelly Lord, Roland Faucher and YJ Draiman.
- 5. Approval of Minutes July 17, 2013 MOTION PASSES (10-0-0)

6. Comments from Public Officials – CD12, DONE, LAPD, LAPD

Jessie Levine, CD12 – Noticed a lot of air traffic from various airports. Complaints have been reported where flights are coming from and headed. Opportunity for bench space advertisements for Neighborhood Councils. Motion to pass sidewalk fines for lack of upkeep. Not enough regulation on marijuana shops and office is looking into it. All Time Warner Cable issues should be taken up with FCC. September 21 Fall Festival & Movie Night. September 22 Family Festival at Mason Park. October 5 Wellness & Disaster Preparedness Fair.

Glenn Bailey – Would like to agendize street repair measure for next meeting and post a link on Northridge East Website.

7. Public Comments

John Engels – Would like to added to next month's meeting agenda to discuss street repair bond.

8. General Announcements

Alice McCain – Special election September 17 for the replacement of Bloomingfield's seat. September 25 Councilman Sherman is holding a town hall meeting at El Camino High school at 2:30pm.

9. Northridge Vision Update

Steve Patel – Met today and still moving forward with plan. Will present to City Council in Van Nuys on October 4.

10. Standing Committee Reports – Education, Environment, Executive, Outreach Planning & Land Use, Election Committee

Nestor Fantini– Meeting planned next week at Northridge Planning Center.

Glenn Bailey – Flyers to invite neighbors to our September meeting. Waiting on Bylaws to be finalized. Welcome Wooley Hill neighborhood.

Kelly Lord – One appointment to meet with Acapulco. Adding one hour expansion for karaoke during the weekend. Noise disturbance in area.

11. Formation of Election Committee & Appointment of Chair –

Glenn Bailey – Need to create election ad hoc committee before March 2014 elections.

Ankur Patel made a motion to approve election ad hoc committee seconded by Do

Ankur Patel made a motion to approve election ad hoc committee, seconded by Don Dwiggins.

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Don Dwiggins made a motion to election YJ Draiman as Election Ad Hoc Committee Chair, seconded by Alice McCain.

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Don Dwiggins will be alternate Interim Chair.

Brian – Northridge West started process of Election Committee. Suggests Northridge East & West should have election at same location with same hours. Each council should get 3 bus benches.

Glenn Bailey – Polling place must be within the boundaries of the Neighborhood Council.

12. Community Impact Statements Update –

Kelly Lord – Everyone has received log in information. Just need to generate Community Impact Statements.

Glenn Bailey – Created a Google Doc to keep running doc on anything council votes on.

13. Google Email Other Options

~Item Tabled

14. Get Confirmation on NENC Board Roster Data

Don Dwiggins – I am taking a look at it. Department has received Roster.

Glenn Bailey – Revised roster needs to be sent with resignation of youth representative.

15. Ankur Patel to be appointed Asst. treasurer and to become treasurer effective 9.1.2013

Don Dwiggins made a motion to become Treasurer effective September 1, 2013, seconded by Glenn Bailey.

MOTION PASSES

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Alice McCain made a motion to appoint Ankur Patel as Primary Signatory and Don Dwiggins as Second Signatory, seconded by Glenn Bailey.

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16. Encino N.C. Apple One Charged to NENC \$528, reverse charges, exhaustive efforts Don Dwiggins - Have not heard anything back from Apple One. Charge was put on our account last fiscal year.

Steve Patel – Suggests the board create one document with all outstanding DONE issues Ankur Patel made a motion demanding charges be put back on this fiscal year's budget, seconded by YJ Draiman.

MOTION PASSES

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17. Motion to support council File 13-0650. NENC supports Mitch Englander's Council File 13-0650.

Steve Patel – Motion will fine violators that do not retain areas.

YJ Draiman – Suggests the neighborhood council provide recommendations to home owners on how to maintain.

Glenn Bailey – Suggests the board updates Councilman Smith's letter with Councilman Englander's.

Kelly Lord made a motion to table this item, seconded by Alice McCain.

MOTION PASSES

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18. Approve purchase of Tablet for NENC up to \$390

~Remove Item from Agenda

19. Approve First Aid Kit for LAPD Devonshire Div. up to \$80

Ankur Patel made a motion to approve 2 LAFD First Aid Kits up to \$80, seconded by YJ Draiman.

MOTION PASSES

(10-0-0)

20. Motion to oppose LADWP new contract

YJ Draiman – Increase of utilities rates in city. Need to institute financial responsibility into City Hall. LADWP among highest paid utility workers in the United States.

Glenn Bailey made a motion to oppose the LADWP new contract with the amendment that the NENC support Mayor Garcetti's efforts for a more favorable contract, seconded by Spencer Schmerling.

MOTION PASSES

(7-2-1)

- 21. Funding Program Training Requirement For All Board Members- conducted tonight 30 min video
- 22. Ethics Training Compliance By All Board Members

Alice McCain – Ethics training will expire in August. Next available is August 29th at Encino Community Center at 6:30pm.

23. Approve Rent to Women's Club for NENC monthly meeting up to \$2400 for up to 12 months

Don Dwiggins – Women's Club has not been paid this fiscal year.

Don made a motion to approve up to \$2400 for July 2013 to June 2014 for the Northridge Women's Club, seconded by Ankur Patel.

MOTION PASSES

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- 24. Treasurer's Report for February (D Dwiggins)
 - a. **Prior Month Exp \$872.96**
 - b. Current Balance \$36,127.04
 - c. Committed Funds \$6,450.00
 - d. Un-committed funds \$30,977.04

Glenn Bailey – Congress of Neighborhoods & budget Advocates missing from budget Ankur Patel made a motion to approve Treasurer's Report, seconded by Glenn Don Dwiggins.

MOTION PASSES

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25. Standing Expenditures Approval

- a. Web master: \$100/Mo Aaron DeVandry
- b. Minute Taker; Apple Services up to \$200/mo
- c. Google App. Email, Tel, etc. \$80.00 monthly
- d. One and One Web Hosting up to \$44.97 for April

Don Dwiggins made a motion to approve Standing Expenditures items A-C & table item D, seconded by Glenn Bailey.

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26. Review & Approve P-card reconciliation form, US Bank monthly statement Don Dwiggins made a motion to approve P-Card Reconciliation with amended date December 2013, seconded by Alice McCain.

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27. Funding Report

~Remove from Agenda

28. Revised Budget Approval

Don Dwiggins made a motion to approve revised budget, seconded by YJ Draiman. MOTION PASSES

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29. Need to appoint a new board member to replace Mrs. Meehan, property owner representative & lives in area

Michelle Smith - Police Officer and very curious about what your board is spending money on. Looking forward to attending more meetings.

Steve Patel made a motion to approve Michelle Smith as new Property Owner Representative pending escrow approval, seconded by Alice McCain. MOTION PASSES (10-0-0)

30. Committee for street decorating/tree planting event

Steve Ramirez – Lights range from \$100 a tree (34 trees), \$3,400. Need to include cost for installation & take down.

31. Adjournment 9:00pm.