

Minutes
Valley Village Homeowners Association
Board Meeting
May 9, 2016

I. Call to Order

The VVHA Board meeting, held at R. Meyer's home, was called to order by Vice President K. Hearn at 7:12 p.m. In attendance were R. Pine, G. Shorr, Z. Rynew, M. Woersching, R. Meyer, K. Hearn and E. Wilhelm, as well as Past President Peter Sanchez.

II. Officers' Reports

A. President: Hatfield was absent. Hearn initiated discussion on having representatives from Oakwood come to speak about the long-term renovation plans at the school, possibly at a general meeting in July. The Board agreed.

B. Vice-President: Hearn reviewed the results of his search for a DNO insurance policy. The costs were prohibitive. Sanchez recommended that Hearn approach the insurance companies [with the description](#) and describe VVHA as a civic organization, not a homeowners association. Sanchez also stated that the current general liability policy covers any unfortunate accidents that might occur at the July 4th Parade.

C. Treasurer: Meyer reported that the bank balance is \$20,480. Membership renewal time is June 30. VVHA budgets approximately \$5,000 for the July 4th Parade.

D. Secretary: Wilhelm reported that the minutes of the last meeting were approved. Two items were added to the evening's agenda: Item 3 under the Specific Plan Committee: 5137 Colfax – Former Board member inquiry, and under New Business, Item C: VV sign at Starbucks (Laurel Canyon and Burbank).

III. Committee Reports

A. Membership & Events. In Apple's absence, Sanchez, co-chair of the July 4th Parade, reported that cupcakes would be replaced by donuts. Apple is in discussion with YumYum Donuts. Sanchez asked for approval of purchasing safety vests for use at street corners where volunteers will kindly ask drivers to make a detour for the parade.

Motion: Shorr offered a motion to approve the purchase of 24 safety vests at a cost of \$23 apiece. Pine seconded. 6 in favor and Hearn opposed. **Motion passed.** Wilhelm asked if new owners of VV homes were still approached with a mailing from VVHA. Sanchez agreed to discuss this with Apple and reinstate the practice.

B. Communications: Shorr asked for responses to specific articles in *The Valley Villager* that broadened topics usually in the newsletter. Board members stated that they liked the articles. The next issue will have the membership drive and will be

mailed June 23/24. Shorr asked the Board to review the reasons why readers should join VVHA and perhaps update it. This page will be circulated to Board members.

Rynew distributed the schedule for the Colfax Charter School World Fair (May 21) and asked members to sign up to volunteer. The Communications Committee hopes to have a sign with cut-outs for faces and a hashtag for VVHA. Attendees at the fair can take selfies with the sign.

C. Specific Plan: 1. Woersching distributed copies of his recommendations for changes to the Specific Plan. Karo at Krekorian's office [should be asked to initiate the amendments to](#) the plan [with a provision](#) that no other amendments be permitted. [This procedure](#) would require that the City Council and the Director of the L.A. Dept. of Planning approve the plan. Pine suggested that members review Marc's comments and that the item be on the agenda of the Board's next meeting. 2. Report on Hearing on Small Lot Ordinances: Woersching informed the Board that a final decision on appeals regarding small lot subdivisions at Weddington & Hermitage has not yet been published. 3. 5137 Colfax. A past VVHA Board member had left a message for VVHA, asking about this property. Woersching advised that there would be twelve units, divided 6 and 6 by a driveway/street. Hearn asked Woersching to share the architect's renderings with the Board. A zone change will be required. Wilhelm was asked to contact the member and advise them that VVHA has not yet taken a formal position and recommend that they attend the NCVV Committee on Planning and Land Use meeting on Wednesday, May 11.

D. Legislative: No report was made.

E. Planning Next General Membership Meeting. No report was made. See II.A above for a speaker suggestion.

IV. New Business

A. Schedule for Colfax World Fair: This was addressed under the Communications Committee report.

B. Amendments to BMO/BHO Code – Hearing May 16 in Van Nuys. Woersching was asked to prepare VVHA's position on the recent changes to code as prepared by the city.

C. Valley Village sign at Starbucks: As part of an agreement with NCVV for a waiver from the Specific Plan, Starbucks agreed to put a sign, similar to the one on Laurel Canyon and the Fwy. 101 exit, on its site at Burbank and Laurel Canyon. Sanchez believes the City still has \$50,000.00 contributed by EZ Lube when it hoped to build at that location. Shorr has volunteered to follow up with Starbucks.

V. Old Business

A. DNO Insurance: This was covered under the Vice President's report.

B. Phone Power: Meyer has not yet pursued this.

C. Update on Holiday Truck: Hearn's phone call messages have not been returned.

VI. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Ellen Wilhelm, Secretary