

SUNRISE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting

Palm Springs Teachers Association, 180 N. Luring Dr., Palm Springs, CA

June 16, 2018, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Kathy Cohn (Vice Chair), Brad Dunkin (Communications Officer), Andrew Green, Michael Hudson (Secretary), Ken Nelson (Chair), Neil Wortman, Paul Zak (Treasurer). Absent: Rita Baird

Neighbors in attendance: Bruce Hoban, Jay Lippmann, Allen Worthy

I. Review and Approve (or revise) Order of Meeting Agenda

Approved unanimously.

II. Welcome new board member, Andrew Green

Board members welcomed Andrew and introduced themselves.

III. Public Comments

Allen W. expressed his opinions concerning the Palm Springs Police Department.

IV. Approve minutes from May 2018 Board Meeting

Approved unanimously.

V. Officer Reports

A. Chairperson (Ken Nelson)

Ken discussed the calendar of events.

B. Vice Chairperson (Kathy Cohn)

Kathy reported back from the ONE-PS Regular meeting held on June 14. Highlights included:

- The California State Senate and Assembly recognized the Palm Springs City Council as the nation's first all LBGTT Council.
- Light rail service between Los Angeles and Palm Springs options being reviewed by City Councilperson Lisa Middleton. This is a very long-term project.
- A proposal from Sunline Transit to assume responsibility of the Buzz bus.
- Palm Springs Disposal Service will immediately begin two free bulk pick-ups per month of 2 items for each pick-up. This is a change from two per year. The customer must email or call to schedule the large item pickup for one of their regular trash collection days.

C. Secretary (Michael Hudson)

Michael reported:

- The PO box renewal is due at the end of June and can be paid at the beginning of June.
- Michael attempted to produce the minutes in a new format using tables for easier readability. After consulting with the board an agreement was made to continue using the current (old) format.
- Kimberley Bowman, Code Compliance Officer with Palm Springs followed up in an email to Michael concerning the abandoned residence at Sunset Way and Park Drive. She stated that "the mortgage company has received its third citation and fines for

the current violations under public nuisance...”. She will provide an update after the first week in July.

D. Treasurer (Paul Zak)

Paul Z. reported:

- Issues with receiving his emails if you use AOL. Rita has not been receiving Paul’s emails.
- The last SPNO bank balance was \$14,647.
- The PO box was renewed for another year for \$96.00.
- The board received two thank you’s for donations made. One from Well in the Desert and another from the Friends of the Palm Springs Library. The library donation will support one adult student to earn their high school diploma.
- Form 1093 for SPNO has been updated.
- If we participate in Modernism Week, we need to have insurance.

E. Communications Officer (Brad Dunkin)

Brad reported:

- Brad will distribute ONI report to members.
- The SPNO website is being archived as it will be shut down. Brad will update us when the new one is live.

VI. Old Business

A. Prioritize Survey results from annual meeting

- The board briefly discussed neighborhood member priorities.

B. How to “stimulate” the neighborhood: Donations, Projects, etc.

- Paul will write up the text of a memo that Brad will send out to Sunrise Park neighbors highlighting the Board’s recent donations.

C. Meeting now Monthly (except March (Annual Meeting) August (Dark) and December (Holidays))

- Kathy reported that the Teachers Association bldg. has been booked for the remaining meetings this year.

D. Report back on contacting SPNO members who volunteered to work on projects

- Board members are following up on reaching out to volunteers.

VII. UPDATES ON CITY PROJECT & PROGRAMS

A. SPNO Street Paving Approved for streets PCI 46+

- Kathy reported that the Pavement Condition Index (PCI) has increased to 55. Four to five streets are impacted in Sunrise Park.

VIII. New Business

A. Consider the Annexation of the area that includes Sunrise Park and Parks and Recreation facilities (pool, fields, skateboard park, baseball park, PS Library, Mizell Senior Center, and the Boys and Girls Club) Boundaries: E. Ramon on the South and E. Baristo on the North; and S. Pavilion Way on the East and S. Sunrise Way on the West. This expansion does not include any residences.

- Kathy discussed the process for annexation. By-laws would be affected.
- Motion: Ken moved, a second verbalized and the board unanimously approved to take steps to pursue the above-mentioned annexation.
- It was agreed that the Board should solicit neighborhood business entities for the purpose of membership after the implementation of the above annexation.

B. Modernism Tour progress / adhering to more formal conduct to do our business (Neil)

- Neil met with Roseanne Bleiwiess, Byron Lohman and Shari Wortman concerning modernism home tours. Neil provided a handout detailing information for the 2019 modernism hour tours. Highlights of the discussion included; tour dates, home selection criteria, promotional materials and the development of a budget.

IX. Non-Agenda Board Member Comments

- Kathy discussed The Desert Healthcare District moving toward voting districts. Five maps explaining the criteria of each has been presented. Each district can have no more than

39,000 residents. Palm Springs would have to have two districts within the city possible three. Residents can submit suggestions or preferences via email or text to the Healthcare District Board.

- Neil discussed his concerns on adhering to a more formal process when conducting Board business. A healthy dialogue considering appointments as a non-urgent issue was pointed out and discussed. Kathy acknowledged that what transpired was within the by-law rules. It was mentioned that, with the Board now meeting once a month perhaps we can vote on non-urgent items during the monthly meetings.

X. Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m. Next Board meeting July 21, 2018.