

SUNRISE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION  
DRAFT MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

NOVEMBER 04, 2017 – 9:30 A.M.

PALM SPRINGS TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION BUILDING

180 N. LURING, PALM SPRINGS, CA 92262

Board Members in Attendance: Rita Baird, Kathy Cohn, Brad Dunkin, Ken Nelson, Herb Schultz, Neil Wortman and Paul Zak. Will Follett was absent. Neighbors in attendance: Bruce Hoban, Michael Hudson, Jay Lipman

- I. The order of the Meeting Agenda was reviewed, updated, and approved.
- II. Public Comments: Michael Hudson reported that the City Council approved a measure for 4 traffic calming projects; one to address the Farrell Drive speeding issues. Ken Nelson also provided details: install mobile flashing speed meters, 6 inch wide street striping, marked parking spaces on both sides of Farrell, and specific lanes for 'sharing with bicycles'. Measures projected to begin early 2018.
- III. The Minutes of the September 16, 2017 meeting were approved as previously distributed, and will include the proposed revision of Paul Zak: Section IV D should read, "In addition, Ken, as chairperson, to be added as an authorized user on Board's ebanking account, so that both Chairperson and Treasurer have full access to the ebanking function of the SPNO account."

IV. Officer Reports

Chairperson Ken Nelson

Reviewed the Community Calendar

Vice Chairperson Kathy Cohn

Neighborhood USA (NUSA) National Conference will be hosted by PS May 14-18, 2019, and by Birmingham, Alabama ton in the Spring of 2018. Kathy is chair of the monthly ONE-PS' NUSA program track, Diversity, Youth and Aging Committee, which is attempting to engage college students from CSUSB at Palm Desert Campus. Also, the Palm Springs High School students will be encouraged to volunteer.

Festival of Lights Parade on December 02, 2017 will feature a giant cobalt blue ornament, with 2-3 people carrying the banner. Volunteers Ken, Paul, Brad, Rita, Kathy and Herb (to confirm) will meet at Ramon and Baristo at 4:30pm. Boxed food, scarves and gloves will be provided.

Kathy thanked Michael Hudson and Bruce Hoban for providing SPNO historical information for the Second Edition of the ONE-PS Guide to Neighborhoods. Also, she mentioned that the Palm Springs Life will have larger fonts this time, so the text for SPNO's page had to be edited slightly.

Kathy reminded the board to vote on Tuesday, November 07, 2017. She also noted that ONE-PS will have an entry in the Veterans Day Parade on November 11, 2017 at 3:30 p.m.

Treasurer Paul Zak

Paul presented the financial report in advance of the meeting via email.

Paul reported the filing of 2016 tax documents which were due in May. There may be a possible penalty. The Secretary of State was notified of required changes. He is current on all other required filings. Chairperson Ken Nelson was added to SPNO's ebanking as an authorized user, joining Treasurer Paul Zak. Board agreed to retain a minimum of \$5,000 in account. Current bank balance is \$20,268.25.

Paul moved to amend minutes of 9/16/17 as stated above in Section III. This was seconded and unanimously approved by the board.

Paul will research possibility of moving post office box to one with an actual address. Rita has the second key to the existing box.

Communications Officer Brad Dunkin

Brad will send email notification of Election Day. Website update has been completed. Kathy asked if we can use the photo of Cody House that will appear in the ONE-PS Guide to Neighborhoods. Neal suggested adding street repair report to site. Herb made a motion, seconded by Paul, and unanimously approved by the board, to use free GoDaddy platform instead of current arrangement. Brad to check on domain transfer. He will also check on Google Analytics who compile lists of site users. Bruce Hoban offered to provide technical advice as needed. Brad requested Secretary Rita to send him copies of the January and March, 2017 Board Minutes.

Secretary Rita Baird



Rita acknowledged receipt of files from former Secretary, Curt Watts, along with PO Box key.

V. Old Business

A. Earthquake Preparedness discussed by Herb. He is encountering difficulties obtaining a speaker from HHS as they have been unable to get approval from Washington for providing educational presentations to the public. We will try to schedule this for the SPNO Annual Meeting in March 2018. After discussion, the board decided to buy one emergency kit to be obtained by Rita for demonstration purposes. Info on where attendees may purchase kits on their own will be reflected in the handout. Herb will check with David Knudsen as speaker.

B. Review of Priorities since March 2016.

Kathy reminded the board that we survey our neighbors each year to learn what issues are important to them. She reviewed the 2017-2018 results. We do report our progress on these issues on our annual report to the Office of Neighborhood Involvement director, Denise Goolsby. Most of the priorities have been addressed, but we are coming up short on social activities. Several ideas were discussed.

Ken will check with Woody's Palm House for possible venue for early December, 2017 social, possibly December 03, 2017. Budget to be \$500-\$600. The owner of Woody's is building a home in Sunrise Park Neighborhood.

VI. Updates on City Projects and Programs

See Section II above.

VII. New Business

A. Social Event Before the Holidays possibly at Woody's on December 03, 2017

B. Planning for the March 17, 2018 Annual Meeting

Kathy mentioned yard signs as well as last year's refreshments of sandwiches and fruit from Jensens worked out well. Paul volunteered to help with this. Brad will send emails to 1,000 known residents.

C. Board Membership/elections for 2018/2019

Kathy moved and Herb seconded that the Board appoint Paul Zak to replace Curt Watts who resigned his position on 10/31/17; and appoint Rita Baird to replace Byron Lohman who resigned his board position in July, 2017. Curt's elected term runs until March, 2019. Byron's elected term runs until March, 2018. Motion approved unanimously. Paul and Rita have been serving one year appointed positions to provide representation for neighbors living south of Tahquitz Canyon.

VIII. Non-Agenda Board Member Comments

Neal made a motion to give a Sunrise park Blade Sign (if available) to Curt, in appreciation for his work as Chair and Secretary, seconded by Ken. Motion approved unanimously.

IX. Meeting adjourned at 11:30. Next Board Meeting: January 20, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.