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General Meeting, LVT Rec Center 7 to 9 pm

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dale Gibson Royan Herman, Nancy Woodruff, Terry Kaiser, Billy Hays, Cris Hughes, Cile Borman, Kevin Davis, Fritz Bronner, John Blue.

2. Public Comments - non agenda items:

John Blue: 455 West Nile victims. He is one. Handouts available to help others.

Greg Bartz from DWP: Neighborhood Liaison. Can speak to water conservation in detail. Docs distributed to board members with explanations. Note low income programs, as needed. No specific info re break for equestrians, but knows the info will soon be available.

John Blue: Xeriscape info from DWP? Yes from Mr. Bart. Use DWP web site.

Cile Borman: Foothill Bridge Lamps still available. All Nations Church may be interested.

3. Remarks from Public Reps: **Barry Stone:** Council has approved \$45,000 NC budgets. DONE losing 10 positions. Contact Dan Ruiz to attend City Wide NC Congress, (213) 485-1360 - 8am to 3pm. Budgets due by June 19. Demand warrants due by June 12.

Bylaws have been approved.

4. Minutes - correct & approve, April Gen meeting.

Motion: Nancy W. to accept as written. Terry K second. Unanimous. Bill H abstains. 5,6,7, tabled due to no rep. (return to items later in meeting)

5. Motion for reconsideration to amend page 10 column 4 of the 2010 NC Election Procedures Stipulation Language Worksheet.

Motion: (**who made and seconded**) For reconsideration passed unanimously.

6. Discussion and possible action regarding bylaws changes from Rules and Elections Committee. Changes to Article 5 - membership, Article 8 - Selection of

the Board, Article 9 - Meetings, Article 10 - Grievance, Article 11 - Amendments, Article 12 - Financial Accountability.

NO Vote. Date for additional changes has passed.

7. Discussion and possible action in re new standing rules. (missed here)

8 Spending freeze discussion and possible vote.

Billy Hays: Budget not definite. Prudent to wait 30 days before spending money that might be better spent should budget be severely cut.

Cris Hughes: Budget definite. NC finances are healthy.

Kevin Davis: Treasurers Report taken out of order to provide board with accurate financial data.

Jacob Lohr: Forget freeze. Be fiscally responsible.

Motion: Billy H. 30 day spending freeze. No second. Motion dies.

9. **Cile Borman:** Hansen Dam July 4th Celebration support. Dollars I receive for entertainment are not from NC's. Hope to receive from \$1,000 to \$5,000. 2008 brought together several NC's to support event

MOTION: Terry K donate \$2,500 to July 4th event. Second by Cris Hughes.

Seven in favor. Opposed two. Abstain 2. Motion carries.

10. **Nancy Woodruff:** Discussion and possible action in re 30x70 steel storage building in front of house at 9129 La Tuna Canyon Rd. DIR #2009/1089.

Letter to Planning in support of La Tuna HOA appeal to approval. See letter as presented and written by land use committee.

MOTION Royan H. Second Billy H. to send letter as written. Passed unanimous.

11. **Vulcan Class U Landfill** - Discussion/possible action re SVNC request to extend comment period 60 days + require new EAF be completed for ZAQ 2009-527-V & ENV 2009-528-MND 9436 Glenoaks Blvd. Sun Valley.

Royan Herman - Had occasion to discuss CUP renewal with Vulcan personnel. Since the CUP does not ask for changes and since the SVNC letter reads as angry, can we support with letter that asks only for a public comment extension or have Vulcan at a meeting before sending any letter at all?

MOTION: Billy H. To send submitted letter as written. Second by John Blue.

(NOTE! OFF AGENDA - Public Rep Comment out of order) **Speaker from CD 7 Dan Rosales:** Children's museum = \$32,000,000 invested to date and it will not open. The asset is at stake with many interested in buying it. Councilman Alarcon believes it is in city's best interests to buy back the property and have another operator open the museum.

(NOTE! OFF AGENDA - Public Rep Comment out of order) Angel Barnuevo from Sen. Padilla office. We have an opportunity to shape the future of energy. Brought brochures to distribute with contact info. Padilla presently has 23 bills up for consideration.

Cile Borman: Remind Senator Padilla that the Children's Museum was his baby.

Dale Gibson: Thanks to Councilman Alarcon for support.

Cile Borman: Thanks for library + appreciation for outstanding, award winning style.

Fritz Bronner: Thanks to Alarcon Deputy for info and for helping with Councilman Grieg Smith, to arrange for horse people to receive a consideration in re water conservation rates

12. **Nancy Woodruff:** Discussion and possible action re support letter for La Tuna Canyon HOA opposing another accessory building. This one is at 9701 La Tuna Canyon. DIR 2009/0774-SPP.

Motion: by Royan H. second by Jacob L. To send letter as written. Unanimous.

13. **Treasurer report continued by Kevin Davis:** Mary Benson filed a public information request to see quarterly reports filed with DONE. As of this afternoon, Mary appears satisfied with reports as submitted.

14. Discussion and possible action in re letter of support for the existing 2000 ordinance concerning mountain biking on Los Angeles City recreational trails.

MOTION: by Terry K. second by John Blue edit letter for facts, copy DVD's with up to \$25.00 and send. Motion passed. Unanimous.

15. **Reverend Abraham (last name ?) All Nations Church:** We want to make ourselves and our church available spiritually and physically to establish healthy environment and amiable relations in our community.

Tom Stemnaugh, Planning Consultant to All Nations: Existing CUP for 60,000 sq. feet of church building. Have now asked for a plan approval to complete the master plan. Will provide 280 seats in auditorium + new complex of three buildings of 14,000 additional square feet. After completion, 10,000 plus sq. ft. of modular buildings to be removed for parking lot. Net increase brings entire project to 62,000 square feet.

Existing 279 parking spaces. Want to increase to 500 with a variance to allow cars in the existing parking aisles, allowing for 777 parking spaces total. Have redone traffic study. It includes an approved traffic signal at the entrance to the church that will also be an equestrian crossing. Sanctuary work is totally interior.

John Blue: Will tent like structure be white and will it be readily visible? Plant as many trees as possible?

Jacob Lohr: 777 parking spaces + 23 parking spaces adjacent to trails. Continual parallel parking can cause difficulty for horses and riders. Fear of cars parking on trail.

Nancy Woodruff: Wants additional conversation re All Nations to return to Land Use.

Maryann Geyer: My recollection that when 10,000 sq. feet of temporary building were taken down that the land would become open space , not parking spaces.

Motion: Nancy W. seconded by Cris Hughes. All Nations data to return to Land Use. Passed unanimously.

16. **Scholarship Fund:** Proposed by Jacob Lohr. Discussion and possible vote in re a scholarship for local students heading to college or university. Awarded by an NC committee of three board members.

Barry Stone: NC cannot give away public funds.

Cris Hughes: Refer scholarship for refinement to Outreach.

NO VOTE!

17. **FTDNC Logo design contest** - Discussion of contest and \$\$ prizes.

Motion: Dale asks for no motion and referral to Outreach Committee. Motion withdrawn.

18. **Cris Hughes Outreach:**

Purchase of premiums: Wants printed bags by July 4.

Dale Gibson: suggests that premium discussion be returned to the budget committee for a recommendation before a general meeting discussion.

Motion: (who made and seconded motion) Table premiums until there is a recommendation from the budget committee. Passed. Three opposed.

19. **Stop Sign at Kamloop and Garrick in LVT.**

Erwing Davis: Petition of several pages exists - shown for proof. Introduced Ms.

Mitchell. **Stakeholder (first name) Mitchell** spoke saying that area has tried without success for a stop sign. Garrick is like a freeway.

Motion: Jacob Lohr for FTDNC to create a letter to appropriate agency as composed by board. Second by (?) Motion withdrawn, referred to Land Use - 1st Tues. of June.

20. **Cris Hughes:** Board Retreat.

Barry Stone: Can respond to the retreat objective of the NC and prepare info or training or a voted interest.

Terry Kaiser: Need objective before discussion. Refer to Outreach. **No Vote!**

21. **Newsletter.** Refer to Outreach committee.

20. Comments from FTDNC board.

Watershed Committee: Fritz Bronner for Mary Benson - There was a spill of hydraulic fluids on the Foothill Bridge. Enough got into streams that no one should drink water for a week or more. Spill has served as impetus for Watershed to seek a means for an emergency response in case of a spill, in order to protect horses that regularly drink from streams and any other creature or person who might drink in the stream.

Cile Borman: July 4th event is a good place to distribute premiums to stakeholders in order for them to become better acquainted with FTDNC.

21. Adjournment. 9:08 pm.

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