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FTDNC Gen. Meeting
December 17, 2009
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Stonehurst Elementary School 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

- 1. Call to Order at Stonehurst School, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call** - Dale Gibson, Royan Herman, John Blue, Bart Paul, Erwing Davis, Terry Kaiser, Nancy Woodruff, Cile Borman, Cris Hughes, Ken Keeble, Fritz Bronner Billy Hays, Kevin Davis
- 2. Board members proclamation of Conflict of Interest on Agenda Items.** None.
- 3. Remarks from Public Representatives:**
Barry Stone - In order to obtain applications phone the City Clerk, Elections Division and complete filing to run by Tuesday, January 26, 2009. Candidate statement final date = Thursday, Feb. 25, 2009.
Pat Davenport - (a) Councilman elect Krekorian will be sworn in the first week in January. (b) In re staffing, there will be no definite information until late in January.
- 4. Public Comment on non-agenda items**
Debra Stevens - Councilman Krekorian will not be certified until January but Sanitation states that they cannot postpone the public certification hearing for Athens beyond Dec. 31. Since that is no help, the hearing remains scheduled for December 21, 2009.
Dave dePinto - States that he and Bill Eick of SHPOA have been working on this issue, that the EIR changes amount to 1½ pages over the past year. CEQA normally allows one year for EIR review. This project is being rushed through and we are trying to slow the process in order to reach a placed that is more agreeable to the community and the company.
- 5. Possible corrections - approval of November 19,2009 Gen. Meeting Minutes**
Bart Paul - Please note that my absence was excused.
Nancy Woodruff - Totally overlooked a motion that carried to send a letter to Zoning Administration, Antonio Isaiah, ZA 2009-3 ZV, opposing the variance f or a truck driving school at Lopez Canyon.
Cile Borman - Item #19 should read motion carried instead of married.
Marlene Radar - In response to questioning, John de la Rosa stated that the truck driving school variance had already been filed. He then acknowledged that the public hearing would be held on December 21, 2009 at 8 am in the Braude Building.
- 6. Presentation, discussion and possible action re the 2010 FTDNC Election Procedures.** Mary Ann Geyer Maryann Geyer absent.
- 7. Presentation with possible action for the FTDNC to support the "Dam Flyers", in efforts to restore radio flying rights at Hansen Dam.** Nancy Woodruff . Nancy read a presentation for Rec and Parks, created by the Dam Flyers in order to have their flying rights in Hansen Dam Park restored. After hearing their presentation a motion was made to support a letter to Rec and Parks supporting their right to fly. The presentation and discussion tonight addressed rules and regs, potential fire hazard and ways to overcome dangers created by irresponsible park users.
MOTION: To send a letter supporting the Dam Flyers to Rec and Parks. Motion carried, Nays by Ken Keeble and Erwing Davis.

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1. **Billy Hays - Rules and Election Committee** - Will continue to report election information.
2. **Cris Hughes - Outreach** - Distributed premiums from the Pacoima Veterans Day Parade and show ad in parade premium. Also showed at in Foothills paper. Mentioned that several NC's are pooling funds to take out a full page ad in the Daily News promoting the election.
3. **Nancy Woodruff - Land Use** - Tonight the primary concern is tomorrow's hearing on the Lopez Canyon Truck Driving School Variance. The hearing will begin at 8 am in the Braude Building. In the near future we will be addressing the granny flat issue in our communities.
4. **Kevin Davis -Finance Committee** - Arrived late
5. **Vikki Brink - Equestrian Committee** - Attended the Hansen Dam master plan meeting. Attendees were situated at tables with a map of the area and marking pens and invited to mark the map to show the needs of the community. There will be two additional meetings, but there are no dates, yet.
The Equestrian Resource Booklet is now in process and will soon require an appearance in front of finance.
6. **Marlene Radar -Lopez Canyon Subcommittee** - Another reminded of the variance hearing on Dec. 18, 2009 at the Braude Building. Also note that the letter of opposition from Mike Antonovich has been publicly noted by the ZA.
7. **Mary Benson - Watershed Committee** - FYI - The city has just completed a report indicating how much and what pollutants it will spill into the LA River next year. The report is for the State. The City could be subject to penalties, but should ask forgiveness in view of the contaminants freed by the Station fire and which will flow as mud moves.

9. **DWP MOU Representative Report :**

Billy Hays points out that only DWP employees are receiving raises while all other city employees are taking cuts which makes clear that DWP runs City Council. A rate payer advocate is essential, as is an NC rep. I prefer to no longer rep FTDNC, but will continue until someone is found.

10. **Possibly nominate and approve Ex Officio Board Members.:**

Dale Gibson - An ex-officio member of the Board is a non-voting support consultant, often a specialist. If you know of someone who would be interested or you are interested, contact a member of this Board.

11. **Discussion and possible action re Office Phone:**

Billy Hays - Thanks for saving number after NC being without a phone for a long time. Criticism of length of time needed to restore phone, of any \$\$ involved with salvaging number and with poor communications by Royan Herman when she made the instant decision to give up her own phone number and take the FTDNC number to give it a landing place.

12. **Discussion and possible action re selling of maps.**

Billy Hays - The aerial photo belongs to FTDNC and we must protect our property. It is also important for anyone to be able to see that we adhere to ethical standards and remain transparent. We cannot sell anything.

Kris Sabo - I remember our vote. We agreed to pay for the aerial photo and for 85 maps and that's what we got. Terry says that all 85 copies went to official agency personnel. If the printer stopped the press and then started it again to print an additional 30 copies for the community to buy in order to fund additional printing, also for the community, I do not identify a problem.

John Blue - Why don't we have Terry write up one page of what happened, acknowledge that he may have made a mistake in an effort to help the NC and the community and let that good gentleman off of the hook, thank him and move on. We do have positive things to do.

Royan Herman - Not flip this time. Terry has put together several groups to utilize resources judiciously as outreach for FTDNC, to provide coordinates for responders and to guide trail users in the area. I fail to understand why this board is picking apart Terry's actions and resent continued criticism of a good board member.

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13. Comments on 7/11 planned for Sunland and Wheatland:

Royan Herman: The ABC states that the owner of the 7/11 bought his liquor license in February 2009. He did not at that time, nor has he yet identified the license as intended for a 7/11 store.

There is 30 day required posting period by ABC to enable comments after a license changes hands. Since no one had knowledge of an impending 7/11, those who would have made comments regarding a 7/11, lost the opportunity. Further, the City states that it has no control over this business. Code Enforcement will not discuss any action. We are, therefore, in a catch 22 concerning a business about to open on a 24/7 basis, with deliveries between 6 am and 1 am that is one building removed from residences on all 4 sides. We have written letters to no avail and need to do something for our neighbors.

14. Comments from the FTDNC Board -

15. Adjournment at 9 pm