

Lynhaven Neighborhood Association

January 16, 2014 Minutes

Approved at the meeting on February 20, 2014 by a quorum

Meeting called to order by Dolores Mayes at 7:00pm – Quorum present

Opening Topic: Dolores opened the meeting by asking the members present to share a favorite memory of the recent holidays. Everyone participated.

Guest Speaker: No guest speaker at this meeting.

Approval of Minutes for November 21, 2013 meeting: Approved by quorum at this meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Susan Larson

- Revenue and Treasurer's written reports submitted through December 31, 2013.
- Bank Balance as of December 31, 2013 is \$4,909.77
- Membership to date for 2014 is 13 households with donations in the amount of \$260.00.

San Jose City Council District 1 Announcements: Chelsey Seagraves, D1 Representative.

- Pete Constant has decided not to run for Mayor. He plans to spend time to complete his doctorate. He will continue his term for District 1 through the end of December, 2014.
- Neighborhood Association and Youth Commission Priority Setting Session to discuss the budget priorities will be held on Saturday, Jan. 18, 2014 from 9:00am to 1:00pm at the San Jose City Hall Rotunda, 200 E. Santa Clara St. RSVP required: email to: jerad.ferguson@sanjoseca.gov
- Budget Games Online: Mayor Reed has invited San Jose residents to sign-up to participate in the budget process via Budget Games on Thursday, Friday or Saturday, January 23 – 25 from 9:00am to 9:00pm. Sign up online at:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?usp=drive_web&formkey=dE9QOWRzZktqT01EYjJ3RGVuUnVDUXc6MA#gid=0
- Homicide in the Cadillac neighborhood. It is alleged that this was gang related. It is still under investigation, no news to report at this time.
- The Mayor's State of the City Address is scheduled on Thursday, February 20, 2014 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm at the McEnery Convention Center, 150 W. San Carlos St. Doors open at 6:00pm. Seating is limited so registration is required. Mayor Reed will also be discussing this year's City budget. Register Online at:
<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?llr=ffcsvncab&oeidk=a07e8kfiqc2f2f5dbe> or call the Mayor's office at 408-535-4800.
- City Events being planned for 2014, so far, are the annual Litter and Illegal Sign Removal and the Senior Walk. No dates have been scheduled yet. Other events to be determined.
- Winchester Senior Mobile Home Park. Rumors continue to circulate but there have been no plans submitted yet for the development of this property. The District I office will let us know when a meeting is scheduled.
- Family Camp at Yosemite: San Jose Family camp attendance has dropped dramatically and the program could be in jeopardy. Need more interest in the community to save this.

Old Business:

- The Winchester Senior Mobile Home Park and surrounding neighborhood have formed the Winchester Orchard Neighborhood Association. This is hoped to keep all residents aware and informed of the changes to come and limit its impact on the surrounding community.
- The LNA Audit committee has completed the audit and will submit their findings at the February 20 meeting.
- The Retro Dome and 76 Gas Station located at Westgate Mall were demolished last week.
- A Children's Playground at Pueblo De Dios church on Payne Avenue is approved and in the planning stage. This playground is to offer children from 3 to 9 years old from the apartments in the Cadillac neighborhood a place to run and play. Funding has been promised by Kaboom, a non-profit organization, to help get this started. Volunteers are needed to help plan and work on this project. Contact Dolores Mayes for more information.

New Business:

- District 1 Leadership Representative: LNA is looking for a volunteer to represent LNA for the District 1 (D-1) Leadership Group, to take notes and give LNA's views during discussion. This person must attend the LNA monthly meetings to qualify and be able to attend the 4 remaining D-1 meetings plus a D-1 group BBQ. Meetings are scheduled every other month beginning March 8, from 9:00am to 11:00am at the West Valley Branch Library. Natalie Heling is willing to be the alternate in an emergency and has attended the January 11th meeting. Her notes as follows:
 - Pete Kolstad of the UNSCC Board and District 3 gave a presentation of "Participatory Budgeting" which allows districts to brainstorm, prioritize, select and implement projects. Money would come from the city or through grant money from Feds, philanthropic organizations or businesses. Present city programs would not be affected and CAP grants would still be in place. Requested would be \$100,000.00 per district. This concept/plan will be proposed to the Mayor in a few weeks. This has worked well in other cities.
 - Priority for D-1 Leadership is the candidate forum for City Council and Mayoral elections. Kick-off meeting at Steve Landau's home on Sunday, Jan. 19. All are welcome to attend.
 - The San Jose Mayor's State of the City Address will be held at the Convention Center on Feb. 20 at 6:30, RSVP online. (see D-1 announcements for details)
 - All present were asked to encourage participation in San Jose Family Camp.
- The Neighborhood Association and Youth Commission Priority Session meets this Saturday, Jan 18. See SJ District 1 announcements for details. Clark Leakins has volunteered to represent LNA and voice our concerns at this meeting.
- Budget Games: Neighbors are welcome to participate in the Online Budget Process. See SJ District 1 announcements for participation details.
- Ideas for budget priority items: Dolores presented budget priorities submitted to her via email. These include: better graffiti abatement everywhere, more police patrols in West San Jose, getting gang population out of San Jose; those not from here should be sent home, better road conditions on West side, improve road surface markings/painting at Eden and Williams Rd, and more affordable housing.

New Business continued

- **Councilman Candidate Forum:** LNA is hoping to host this forum in April if we can get all 7 of the candidates together. We'd like everyone to meet them and let them tell all of us of what each hope to accomplish as D-1 Councilman of San Jose. We may not be able to get them all together at one time. There is also an invitation to join the WNAC forum committee for both Mayor and District 1 candidates to speak. No date has been confirmed for this meeting.
- **Future Guest Speakers:** Susan Larson is working on getting someone from the water district to speak in February about neighborhood and personal water conservation. Dolores has scheduled the Red Cross to speak to us in March. We are hoping to have the candidate forum in April and Tony Madieros will try to get a Personal Emergency Preparedness representative for May. Ideas submitted at the meeting: Clark would like a Real Estate Broker to discuss property values and such.
- **Meeting Minutes:** Susan Larson suggested we promote the LNA website more aggressively on the flyers, LNA website and Nextdoor website to encourage residents who don't attend meetings to read the minutes to keep current with what is happening in the neighborhood.
- **CAP28 and Future CAP funding:** Clark Leakins will ask about this at the Budget Priority meeting to stress its importance for helping neighborhoods fund neighborhood events and projects.
- **LNA Board Meeting:** First meeting was held on January 8 to discuss ideas to present to membership for Neighborhood meetings and events.
- **Winchester Domed Theaters.** Clark Leakins advised that there is a petition to save the Winchester Domed theaters across from Santana Row. There has been a request to have the Historical Society designate them (or one of them) as an historic element in our neighborhood.

Neighborhood issues:

- Chuck Mayes reported that an LNA member had a green lawn clipping waste can stolen from the front of her home but was having problems getting a timely replacement from Waste Mgmt. Chuck was able to call them and got the replacement for our neighbor without delay.
- Member, Sally Duprey, had lawn furniture removed from her front patio and placed in the bed of the family truck without her knowledge during the night. She has requested that we ask for more police patrols during the early morning hours.
- Others at the meeting advised of other crime that has been reported lately in our neighborhood at night.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Larson, volunteer note taker for this meeting.