

Lynhaven Neighborhood Association
March 20, 2014 Meeting Minutes
Approved at May 15, 2014 meeting

Meeting called to order by Jerry Giles at 7:00pm – Quorum present

Village Harvest Fruit Drive – Jerry Giles reported for Natalie Heling that the second annual neighborhood fruit harvest was a success! Approx 1400lbs of lemons and oranges were donated by our neighborhood on March 15. Village Harvest supplied 25 volunteers to pick fruit at 7 homes and 8 neighbors picked their own to donate. Many thanks to Village Harvest and all their volunteers and LNA volunteers, Natalie Heling, Patricia Kelner and daughter Fiona, Clark Leakins, Pat Gorman, Greg West and Jennifer for helping make this event a success.

Approval of Minutes for February 20, 2014 meeting: Approved by quorum at this meeting. The Candidate Forum will replace the regular April LNA meeting. Meeting minutes will not be available.

Guest Speakers: Karen Traong and assistant, Naomi, of the American Red Cross presented a demonstration, with participation by LNA attendees, of the current CPR technique to use in a medical emergency until professional medical aid arrives. Props and written guidance were distributed for our instruction. They also discussed the various Red Cross services available to aid the public in times of emergency and disaster.

San Jose City Council District 1 Announcements: District 1 Representative, Asim Kahn.

- **Greek Flag Raising:** To honor the cultural heritage of San Jose's active Greek community, to be held on March 25 at 6:00pm at City Hall in San Jose. It will include activities, dining and dancing. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.
- **West Valley Senior Walk:** The 9th annual senior walk is scheduled be held on April 11 at Valley Fair Mall starting at 8:00am. Breakfast and resource booths will be available.
- **The Annual Litter and Illegal Sign Removal** hosted by The City of San Jose, Pete Constant, will be held on April 26, 2014, 8:00am to 12:00pm. Sign in will be held at the International Christian Center (ICC), 3275 Williams Road, San Jose, CA. Clean up supplies and activity directions will be provided at sign in. Sign out and lunch for participants will be provided at ICC at noon.
- **Pueblo De Dios Neighborhood Playground** was completed on March 7 at Pueblo De Dios Church on Payne Avenue. On hand to complete the project were members of the Kaboom Foundation, the San Jose Sharks staff and players, the San Jose Parks Foundation and many neighborhood volunteers.
- **Garbage collection rate increase:** Dolores Mayes expressed concern about the proposed rate increase possibly being placed on homeowner property tax bills. She urged everyone to read the letter from the City of San Jose that was mailed to all property owners.

Treasurer's Report: Susan Larson

- Revenue and Treasurer's written reports submitted through March 20, 2014.
- **Bank Balance** as of March 20, 2014 is \$4,745.76
- **Membership** to date for 2014 is 22 households with donations in the amount of \$440.00.

Old Business:

- NNO, August 5 2014: Dolores announced that the survey taken at the February meeting voted for a single National Night Out event at the ICC as we have in the past. Jerry Giles and Tony Madieros will chair the committee for this event. Volunteers have signed up but more are needed to help. An additional sign-up sheet was circulated at the meeting.
- District 1 Candidate Forum update: to be held in lieu of our regular business meeting, will be held at ICC on April 17, 2014 in the main auditorium. Paul Fong has accepted the invitation to participate, bringing our candidate participation total to 6. Dolores Mayes requested we personally invite our neighbors to the event. She advised us of the evening schedule as proposed by the League of Women Voter representative who will be moderating the discussion. An additional half hour was added to the original hour panel discussion period to allow for more participation. Audience questions will be accepted in writing prior to the start of the event and will be presented by the moderator. She requested everyone use the website information provided on the meeting flyers to become more familiar with the candidates. Various methods of publicity were discussed.

New Business

- Mayoral Forum: Chuck Mayes advised that District 1 Leadership and Pete Constant are hosting a Mayoral Forum at Bethel Church on Saturday, March 29, 2014. Doors open at 10:00am, the forum starts promptly at 10:30am. The event will be moderated by Lloyd LaCuesta, Professor of Journalism at San Jose State University. Audience questions will be accepted in writing prior to the 10:30 start time and will be presented by the moderator.
- Thank You to Pete Constant: Dolores Mayes informed that it has been suggested that LNA honor Pete Constant, our outgoing D-1 Councilman, with a plaque of appreciation for his public service. Clark Leakins will look into the availability and cost and will advise at the next meeting in May. It was proposed that the presentation be held at our National Night Out event.
- Flyer distribution: Laura Conway resigned as one of our flyer distributors due to a second incident of loose neighborhood dogs frightening her on her route. A new volunteer is needed!

Other Business:

- Car part theft: Chris from Coakley Drive advised that the corner neighbor had the catalytic converters stolen from their older model Toyota vehicle sometime during the night. Discussion followed regarding similar experiences with personal property theft and methods of deterring such activity.
- Membership: Chuck Mayes reminded everyone that the 2014 membership drive is still on. See Susan Larson if you'd like to join and make a \$20.00 donation.
- D-1 Council candidate: Richard McCoy attended our meeting and introduced himself. He will be a participant at our candidate forum on April 17.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm by Chuck Mayes

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