

**LYNHAVEN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING
MINUTES
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 2008**

Meeting Called to Order

President MaryAnn West called the meeting to order.

Present: President Mary Ann West Vice President Ivan Heling, and Secretary Andrea Chelemengos (arrived at 7:10 p.m.)

Absent: Treasurer John Longthon

A meeting sign in sheet was distributed to the membership.

Guest Speaker Topic

➤ **Gang Awareness**

Bernie Rosales, City of San Jose, provided a presentation on gang awareness and activity. He discussed graffiti and City efforts to address the issues. He provided a City phone number to report suspected gang activity or graffiti – 279-1498.

Neighborhood Business

1. Approve Minutes of the January 17, 2008 Meeting

Upon motion and second the minutes of the January 17, 2008, meeting were approved.

2. Accept Letter of Resignation from Treasurer John Longthon
3. Appoint Joe Gallegos to serve as Treasurer

President West explained that John Longthon has resigned his position as Neighborhood Association Treasurer due to job-related demands and that an official letter is forthcoming. Joseph Gallegos was offered and accepted the position as Treasurer.

Treasurer Gallegos reported that he had obtained the Associations bank statements and determined that after months of recurring service fees the balance is currently \$222. He reported that the authorization signatures need to be brought current with the new Board officers.

Treasurer Gallegos also reported on a new business complex on Saratoga Avenue urged the residents to support neighborhood business as a way of establishing good neighbor relationships. He concluded with announcement of an upcoming grant writing workshop ad his intention to attend.

4. Consider and Adopt Proposed Bylaws

The Board acknowledged a letter from Chuck Mayes with questions and concerns relative to the proposed bylaws. There was consensus to delay the adoption of the bylaws to allow time for a Board member to contact Mr. Mayes relative to his comments.

5. Discuss Available Grants - Rosamaria Hernandez

- Establish Grant Committee

Discussion commenced with regard to the upcoming CAP grant application deadline and projects eligible for funding.

Treasurer Gallegos reported that he would be attending a workshop on to learn about the CAP grant and the application process. Rosamaria Hernandez offered to meet with Mr. Gallegos and assist with the application. A report would be given at the next association meeting.

Announce Neighborhood Events

- Announcements from Council District 1 Representative

Mehgan Revolinsky updated the members on upcoming events and issues pertinent to District 1. She also reported on the abutting neighborhood association's (Eden Neighborhood) neighborhood sign and showed an example of the proposed sign.

- Emergency Preparedness Training – March 10 – Moreland West Community Center

President Mary Ann West informed the membership of the above noted Emergency Training class.

Neighbor Communications

Clark Leakins updated the membership on the status of the family who was recently displaced due to a home fire caused by a faulty heater. He also provided information on the time line of the repair of the structure.

Joe Castronova discussed issues relative to the traffic problems on Cypress. He provided the membership information on past efforts to address the traffic problems.

Meghan Revolinsky provided some outline of the process to follow in order to have the problem addressed by the Department of Transportation. She advised Mr. Castronova to contact her for her assistance.

Several other residents voiced frustration and concern with the traffic issues on Cypress. A sign up sheet was passed around for those members interested in forming a committee to work on the issue of Cypress traffic.

Treasurer Gallegos volunteered to assist with the organization and effort of that committee.

Craig Morrison spoke with regard to the lot located at the corner of San Tomas and Moorpark. He stated that he would like provide some general clean up, landscape maintenance and painting of the equipment box as his Eagle Scout project.

Mr. Morrison was provided contact information to reach the appropriate agency in order to obtain permission and access to make the intended improvements.

Natalie Heling expressed an interest in starting a neighborhood book club. She invited interested neighbors to contact her.

Vice President Ivan Heling reported that the association's website was up and running. He invited members to visit the site a www.lynhaven.org

Treasurer Gallegos introduced and welcomed Katherine Mai owner of one of the new businesses on Saratoga Avenue – the Saratoga Pharmacy – that he had spoken about earlier in the evening

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Chelemengos, Secretary