

Annual Meeting Report - February 3, 2011 at the Village Coffee Shop

Attendance was modest. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Traffic

Officer Pete Cordero from West Traffic Division of the LAPD was on hand to answer questions and hear from the neighbors. Trouble spots needing patrol are:

- 1) Gower where it first meets Temple Hill (Signs are obscured and people run stop sign going northbound on Gower repeatedly)
- 2) Ledgewood & Rodgerton (five points where Deronda, Rodgerton, and Ledgewood meet)
- 3) Lake Hollywood Scenic Lookout has traffic issues as locals party there every Sunday night!

Polling Places and Workers

Polling Places and poll worker requirements were discussed. Nina will be asking Pam (Architects Office) if they would open their facility up as a polling place in the future. Alix Papalaxis told George that he is willing to divide the Village Coffee Shop for the purpose of a polling location. Missy will contact Zev's office (Elisa Katz) to see if we can get an application for him and get this started asap.

Pollworkers needed. Jack Conrad explained the training and the requirements of poll workers on voting day. Fran will be signing up as a poll worker.

Elections

The slate of board candidates was presented to the neighbors. Since there were no floor nominations and the neighbors seemed supportive of all on the slate, motion was made Larry/George and passed unanimously to accept the slate by acclimation.

Renewed for two years:

Jack Fitzgerald, Mary Anne Nelson, Fran Reichenbach, Nina VanTassell, and Gary Wilmes

Elected to finish out vacated seat for one year:

Joanne D'Antonio

Membership report - Fran Reichenbach

Fran reports that membership numbers are down as renewals have not come flooding in as they normally do. She added that BCNA needs to gather funds to get the tree trimmed that is blocking the light that should illuminate the crosswalk in the Village. She also said that we will need to gather funds to pay for a guard rail for Gower where it makes that first turn to the right. The homeowner at that location has had his fence damaged severely many times and has spent a lot of money trying to keep up repairs to that fence.

Helen Nelson said that we have been too invisible. In days gone by, we would do outreach at a table in front of the market. But she hasn't seen us do that in a very long time. Most people don't know we exist until they have a problem and find us.

Enthusiasm for the outreach process was very good. The decision was made that board members and non-board members take shifts at the outreach table once a month till the late fall - or when weather starts getting cold and rainy. Helen suggests that we have a table down at Scenic and Beachwood every other month so the people south of the gates will know that we serve the whole canyon, not just Hollywoodland.

Larry Markes, Gary Wilmes, Fran Reichenbach, and Mary Anne Nelson agreed to take shifts for the first outreach. Scott Thoenke (non-board member) agreed to help with the outreach. George suggests that we create a document that shows what we have accomplished and what we do.

First outreach will be Saturday, February 12th at 9 a.m. at the north west corner of Scenic and Beachwood in the grassy area that is the public right of way.

Public Comments:

Michael Fuller notices that there isn't enough lighting in our canyon and for certain not on Glen Green. There is NO light in his area and a pole must be installed and a lighted added to the circuit on that street. He also said that the no parking signs near his home are very damaged. One is even on its side. Kim Dulleghan (Neighborhood Watch block captain for Glen Green) will help Michael get a photo for submission to the city to get those signs repaired or replaced.

According to Michael Fuller, CERT training should be on our list of things to do. We need to get networked as a community for better preparedness.

As we adjourned, many neighbors came up to pay their membership dues - things are looking up!

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