

SUNRISE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

BOARD OF ADVISORS MEETING

Date & Time: Saturday, February 7, 2015 – 9:00 a.m.

Location: Offices of Berkshire Hathaway Home Services, 2905 E Tahquitz Cyn Way, Palm Springs, CA

Board Members in Attendance: Roseann Bleiweiss, Jeff Clarkson, Kathy Cohn, Byron Lohman, Bruce Maughan, Greg Probst, Mike Scebbi and Curt Watts

SPNO Members in Attendance: Susan Lippmann (McManus Drive)

- I. **ORDER OF MEETING AGENDA** was reviewed and approved with two minor additions.
- II. **MEETING MINUTES** of December 20, 2014 Board of Advisors Meeting were reviewed and approved with minor changes from Curt Watts.
- III. **OFFICER REPORTS**
 - A. **Chairperson (Curt)**

Curt reviewed SPNO Calendar of Upcoming Events & Related City/PSNIC Meetings (copy attached) with special note that PSNIC's utility undergrounding committee will meet on February 25th.
 - B. **Vice Chairperson (Kathy)**

Kathy reminded everyone of the PSNIC Neighborhood Night Mixer being sponsored by Desert Regional Medical Center on Tuesday, February 10th and PSNIC's Picnic & 10th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, March 28th. Potential SPNO sponsorship of the Picnic will be considered later in the Board meeting.
 - C. **Secretary (Jeff)**

Jeff raised the question as to whether or not the Board Meeting Highlights prepared each month by Curt would suffice for Meeting Minutes. The Board is open to discussing alternatives after the new Board is elected in March.
 - D. **Treasurer (Byron)**

Byron distributed the current financial report (copy attached). The checking account balance is \$13,272.69 prior to payment of home tour and blade sign expenses. Total Modernism Home Tour ticket sales deposits for the last two months are now \$10,822.50.
 - E. **Communications Officer (Roseann)**

Roseann reported that the website should be operational by Friday, February 13th. Curt introduced the topic of Neighborhood Leads on Nextdoor and some of the issues involved in changing those Leads to include SPNO Officers for better monitoring and management of inappropriate or rude postings (to which there has been some recent objections by Sunrise Park neighbors). It was suggested that the Annual Meeting might provide an opportunity to educate people on how they can restrict what they receive on Nextdoor since many of the objectionable postings are from other neighborhoods.

IV. OLD BUSINESS (including Top Neighborhood Priorities):

A. Fundraisers – Modernism Home Tour

Byron provided an update and budget for the Modernism Home Tour scheduled for Saturday, February 21st. Assignments for Board volunteers were discussed. The proposed budget of \$1,942.98 for non-donated items such as liability insurance, wristbands, cleaning fees, signage, etc. was approved unanimously with Byron abstaining. The Board also authorized payment of associated invoices received so far and an additional \$600 for T-shirts or other apparel to be worn by volunteers the day of the event. It was noted that additional revenue from three financial sponsors (The Paul Kaplan Group, Alex Dethier and Vacation Palm Springs) totals \$700.

B. Annual Meeting

Kathy distributed an updated draft agenda for the March 21st Annual Meeting. There will be a representative from the Police Dept. at the meeting and it was suggested that it might be a good opportunity to get neighborhood input on the various options for neighborhood watch signs. The Board also discussed the process for self-nominations and floor nominations for the Board of Advisors election.

Bruce reviewed the room rental and logistics for use of Mizell Senior Center. The cost will be \$325 for the room rental & audio-visual services plus \$50 extra for coffee service. The Board unanimously approved the expenditure of \$375. Additional refreshments may be donated; otherwise an additional expenditure will be necessary.

Roseann will look at designing a handout about using Nextdoor for communications.

Jeff will do a summary of the proposed by-law changes for the meeting.

C. Blade Signs/Neighborhood Identification

Curt provided an update on the fabrication of the blade signs which were “unveiled” for the first time at the Board meeting. The cost to install each sign on traffic signal posts will be \$130; installation atop traditional street signs is done at no charge by City staff. Curt will be following up with the City on installation issues including proper bracketing, timing, etc.

After further discussion, the Board unanimously approved an increase of \$640 to the previously approved initial budget of \$2,000 for the first phase (a total of \$2,640 for installation of ten signs at traffic light locations). The Board also unanimously approved a second phase amount of \$1,512 for installation of the remaining ten signs at two traffic light locations and eight street sign locations. The focus of both installation phases is major perimeter and travel corridor intersections.

[NOTE: Roseann, Greg, Mike & Susan left the meeting at this point]

D. Speeding/Traffic/Street Improvement Issues

Curt presented the list of streets that City staff anticipates recommending to the City Council for repaving in 2015. There are six street segments in our neighborhood on the list. The estimated cost to repave those six street segments is \$620,757. In addition, there will be minor paving improvements to Alejo Road as part of the installation of bike lanes in early 2015.

We should be thinking about pedestrian, bicycle & traffic safety “hot spots” in our neighborhood as Measure J has allocated \$1 million for such projects as missing sidewalks, crosswalks, lighting, etc.

Curt commented on a neighbor’s complaint about speeding on Amado; Curt subsequently contacted the City to see what might be done to monitor the situation.

E. Neighborhood Watch/Crime/Code Enforcement

No discussion.

F. Vacation Rentals/Noise

No discussion.

G. Social Events

No discussion.

V. New Business

After a brief discussion, it was decided to not be a “sponsor” of the PSNIC Picnic & 10th Year Celebration (sponsorship levels are \$100, \$250 & \$500) but to only pay the \$25 to have a neighborhood table during the event to help interested people locate our group.

VI. Updates on City Projects & PSNIC

Curt updated everyone on a proposal by two apartment complexes on Andreas Road to install carports within the “setback” area adjacent to the road. City Staff is opposed to the plan since it would set a precedent Citywide. The Planning Commission has yet to act on the proposal.

The proposed bike lane for Alejo Road is out to bid. The proposed bike lane for Farrell is on hold until further notice while staff investigates alternate designs.

Curt attended the PSNIC Retreat for future planning.

VII. Non-Agenda Board Member Comments

There were none.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:35 a.m.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS & RELATED CITY/PSNIC MEETINGS

Saturday, Feb. 7 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	SPNO MONTHLY BOARD MEETING Berkshire Hathaway Offices, 2905 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way
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Tuesday, Feb. 10 & 24
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

PSNIC “Safety Hot-Spots” Meeting
Rabobank/CVEP Offices, 3111 Tahquitz Canyon Way
Discuss public safety concerns throughout City (i.e. locations in need of stop signs, sidewalks, speed limit review, etc.)

Tuesday, Feb. 10
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

PSNIC Neighborhood Night Mixer
Desert Regional Medical Center – Stergios A&B, West Patio
1150 N. Indian Canyon – **RSVP by calling (800) 491-4990**

Saturday, Feb. 21 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	SPNO Home Tour (Part of Modernism Week 2015) Starts at 1821 E. Amado (SW Corner Amado & N. Saturmino) Two Tours starting at 10 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Post-Tour Reception at Home of Willie Rhines & Albert Gonzales
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Wednesday, Feb. 25
3:00 p.m.

PSNIC Undergrounding Utilities Meeting (Tentative)
City Hall, Large Conference Room, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way
Inaugural Meeting w/Southern CA Edison to discuss prospects of undergrounding overhead utility lines around the City.

Wednesday, March 4
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

PSNIC Code Enforcement/Public Works Subcommittee Meeting
City Hall, Large Conference Room, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way
Monthly Meeting to discuss vacation rentals, event houses, street improvements, code compliance, etc.

Thursday, March 12
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

PSNIC General Meeting of Neighborhood Representatives
Fire Training Center, 3000 Alejo Road
Monthly Meeting of Neighborhood Representatives

Saturday, March 21 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	SPNO ANNUAL MEETING & MONTHLY BOARD MEETING Mizell Senior Center – Early Set-Up
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Saturday, March 28
Time TBD

PSNIC Picnic & 10th Year Anniversary Celebration
Possible Social Event for SPNO Members
Location: Ruth Hardy Park