

SUNRISE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION  
MINUTES OF BOARD OF ADVISORS MEETING  
November 19, 2016 – 9:00 a.m.  
Palm Springs Teachers Association Offices, 180 N. Luring @ Andreas

Board Members in Attendance: Roseann Bleiweiss, Kathy Cohn, Will Follett, Byron Lohman, Ken Nelson, Curt Watts and Neil Wortman.

- I. Meeting Agenda - The proposed meeting agenda was approved as previously distributed with two additions regarding the 2017 Budget (under Treasurer’s report) and a Neighborhood History Update (under New Business).
- II. Public Comments –None.
- III. Minutes – The September 17, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes were approved as previously distributed with minor edits for clarification. The October 22, 2016 SPNO Special Meeting Minutes were approved as previously distributed with minor corrections to the attendee list, the final vote on the Resolutions which were approved at the meeting and additions to the topics covered during the Crime Prevention Presentation held as part of the meeting.
- IV. Officer Reports:
  - a. Chairperson – Ken Nelson
    - Ken reviewed the previously distributed SPNO Community Calendar. The Annual SPNO Meeting on Saturday, March 18, 2017 was added.
  - b. Vice Chairperson – Kathy Cohn
    - Kathy updated the Board on the steps taken to complete the incorporation process approved at the October 22<sup>nd</sup> Special Meeting of SPNO. Kathy has shared the ONE-PS NORG Incorporation Checklist with Ken and Curt for future reference.
  - c. Secretary - Curt Watts
    - Nothing to report.
  - d. Treasurer – Byron Lohman
    - Byron distributed a copy of the Bank Statement of Activity showing a current balance of \$18,773.42 as of 11/19/2016.
    - Expenses since the last Board Meeting include \$99.50 for the incorporation registration process, \$202.05 for printing/postage expenses for the Special Meeting, \$600.00 in costs associated with the neighborhood social event held on October 8<sup>th</sup> and a \$1,000.00 donation to the Fallen Officers Fund of the Palm Springs Police Officers Association in honor of Jose “Gil” Vega and Lesley Zerebny, the two PS police officers recently killed in the line of duty.
    - The Board approved a \$130.00 reimbursement to cover the cost of two (2) Fall Modernism Home Tour tickets purchased as a “door prize” to be given out at the October 8<sup>th</sup> Social Event. Richard Greenburg & Peter McCabe won the tickets.

- Curt reminded the Board of the need to adopt a 2017 budget which is to be proposed by the Board Chair with assistance from the Treasurer.
- e. Communications Officer – Roseann Bleiweiss
- The Board discussed the procedure for posting information provided by ONI Manager Denise Goolsby to advise Sunrise Park neighbors of City events and programs.
  - Curt is to provide copies of officially approved minutes of past minutes to Roseann to post on the Sunrise Park website.

#### V. Old Business:

- a. 2017 Modernism Week Home Tour
- Roseann distributed updated information for the February 25, 2017 Modernism Week Home Tour which is anticipated to include seven (7) single family homes and seven (7) units at the Desert Holly complex.
  - On motion made by Curt and seconded Wil, the Board unanimously approved spending up to \$3,000 to cover anticipated expenses associated with the Home Tour. Anticipated revenues are \$19,500 (based on 300 tickets at \$65).
- b. Email Voting Procedure
- The process for handling email discussions and votes by the Board were discussed and it was agreed that all such matters should be forwarded first to the Board Chair who would distribute the item to all Board members for discussion & voting.
- c. Desert Regional Tour for 2017
- Kathy initiated a discussion regarding the invite from Desert Regional Medical Center to host neighborhood representatives for a future tour & luncheon with DRMC CEO Carolyn Caldwell. Due to the limited number of attendees to be included (i.e. 10 to 20), it was agreed that Kathy would first determine how many Board members are available to attend and then open up the event to other interested neighbors.

#### VI. Updates on City Projects & Programs

Special announcements & reminders (listed on the meeting agenda) were briefly reviewed including:

- a. Possible Measure J community project themes for 2018-19 fiscal year.
- b. Oasis del Sol Neighborhood (just north of SPNO) approved on November 10<sup>th</sup>.
- c. City to hire nine (9) new firefighters.
- d. December 3<sup>rd</sup> Festival of Lights Parade – Discussion continues at the City on how to make up budget shortfall to include the traditional number of balloons. Depending on the outcome of that discussion, the number of neighborhood volunteers needed to “wrangle” the balloons will be determined.
- e. SPNO will receive 129 copies of the ONE-PS Guide to Neighborhoods. The Board discussed possible distribution methods and it was agreed that initial focus would be to

attendees at the Annual Meeting in March 2017 and to home tour participants who open their homes up for the February 25<sup>th</sup> SPNO Home Tour.

- f. The Fall Modernism Tour netted approximately \$19,000 for ONE-PS.
- g. Riverside County Health Services has opened a 24/7 Crisis Intervention Center at 2500 N. Palm Canyon (near Carl's Jr.) for the homeless and other individuals in need of their services.
- h. The City proposes hiring two (2) managers and three (3) code officers to enforce the Vacation Rental Ordinance. The funding will come from increased permit fees. Several other issues related to potential changes in the Ordinance are still being discussed.
- i. A potential City Ordinance to regulate leaf blowers may reach the City Council in January 2017 based on a recommendation from the Sustainability Commission.
- j. The Board briefly discussed options for spending Sunrise Park funds for various projects and/or programs in the neighborhood or City. It was suggested by Byron that we should consider completing our neighborhood blade sign project so that all potential intersections within the neighborhood have a sign. Curt will contact the company who manufactures them to obtain the cost for future consideration by the Board.

#### VII. New Business

- a. Neighborhood History Update – Kathy reported on the 11/17 ONE-PS Brown Bag Lunch Session that featured a presentation by Jeannie Kays, Palm Springs Director of Library Services regarding the ability to search the archives of various newspapers and regional libraries and museums from anyone's computer at no cost. This may be helpful to us as we continue to pursue the compilation of a Sunrise Park Neighborhood History. The research site is [www.accessingthepast.org](http://www.accessingthepast.org).

#### VIII. Non-Agenda Board Member Comments – None.

- IX. Adjourn – Next Board Meeting will be Saturday, January 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the Palm Springs Teachers Association Building.

Recorded by Curt Watts, Secretary

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