

**Mission Canyon Association**  
**Minutes of Board Meeting**  
**June 5, 2007**  
**7:30 p.m.**

**Present:** Dick Axilrod, Nancy Bertelsen, Ralph Daniel, Ann Goff, Bill McCullough, Milt Roselinsky, Tim Steele, Dorothy Veal, Jean Yamamura

**Absent:** Jennie Cushnie, Tom Jacobs, Kathy Koury, Ginger Sledge, Ray Smith

**Guests:** Rolf Brinckmann, Marc Chytilo, Laurie Guitteau, Drew Jack, Nancy Johnson (SBBG)

The meeting was called to order by President Tim Steele.

The Board approved the Minutes of the May meeting. There was no Treasurer's Report.

Milt Roselinsky discussed the letter from the Santa Barbara Botanical Garden to its membership indicating that MCA supports the expansion. He proposed that we take action to clarify that Mission Canyon Association is reserving judgment until the EIR is completed. The Board voted to publish a letter from President Tim Steele to the Garden in our Newsletter, along with their letter, making our position clear.

Treasurer Bill McCullough stated that dues are coming in at a fair pace, but more expenses will be coming up. Another reminder to pay will be forthcoming in the Newsletter. Volunteers will collect dues and/or pass out flyers at Brush Clean Up Day June 16.

Laurie Guitteau proposed a fire safety meeting with David Neels for all canyon residents on a week night to discuss the formation of neighborhood groups and conduct some workshops regarding fire safety. The issue of not being able to evacuate (shelter in place) could be one of the topics. The exact topics and format can be discussed later. The Board was in favor and suggested a time in September after school starts.

Nancy Bertelsen reported on the City Council meeting that justified the 30% water increase, but did not justify the sewer increase which is the purview of the County. The City is proposing a 6% increase on top of the existing rates. We need to find out what reserve is necessary and when it will be paid off. President Tim Steele has sent a letter to the County but has received no reply. The general feeling of the Board was that this is something that Randy Reetz could help with.

Visitor Drew Jack, a watershed manager with the Forestry Department spoke about forestry grants that might work for the webcam on the ridge. The Fire Department would be involved with any of them and would be the recipient. The

grant that is best for us is a 1-1 match. Nancy Johnson of the Botanic Garden said that the Garden would give us the match. Drew will begin the footwork on getting the National Forest Foundation Grant application, but the deadline has passed for this year, and it will be next spring before we can expect any notification.

Milt Roselinsky met with the Board of Supervisors regarding Fire Safety and specifically parking. Salud Carbajal was most aggressive regarding no parking zones in Mission Canyon during Red Flag Days. He urged law enforcement and fire safety officials to work together. We now have momentum. It is time to send letters.

Dick Axilrod spoke about the present urgency of the parking situation with no ingress and egress in the Heights, particularly Montrose. All were urged to call the sheriff or CHP. Dick passed out a questionnaire for Board members to use to generate thinking about the parking problem. He'd like emails with ideas and photos of violations. The Red Flag No Parking Days are a start. The Newsletter will urge personal responsibility. Do what you can do; call CHP, document, send information to Dick.

The Board voted to pay the expenses up to \$750 to Jennie Cushnie for the brush cleanup on June 16. All Board members were urged to attend and help out.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting will be July 3, 2007.

Submitted by,

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Board Secretary