## **Mission Canyon Association**

Minutes of the Board Meeting June 3, 2003 (Adapted from Mark Carr's Notes)

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mission Canyon Association, a California corporation, was held at the McVeigh House at the Museum of Natural History on June 3, 2003, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Present were Ray Smith, Tim Steele, Jenny Cushnie, Bob Maloy, Mark Carr, Kathy Koury, Dorothy Vea, Tom Jacobs and Pma Tregenza. Randy Reetz passed through momentarily, during a break in the City Council hearings on the proposed changes at Skofield and Franceschi Parks). Also attending was Helen Couclelis, liaison from the Riviera Association.

Absent were; Charles Del'Arbre, Ralph Daniel and Nancy Bertelesen. David Lebell has resigned from the Board, and did not attend.

Ray Smith chaired the meeting. The minutes of the preceding meeting were approved. Mr. Reetz, being absent, did not submit a treasurer's report.

The Board passed upon the following matters:

- A joint board meeting with the Riviera Association will be held on October 7, 2003, subject to confirmation by the Riviera Association's board. This joint meeting is scheduled as an add-on to the Mission Canyon Association's meeting regularly scheduled for that date.
- The Board received and approved a letter directed to City Council, urging the City's retention of the resident caretakers at Skofield (Steve Spencer) and Franceschi (Chris Madden) Parks, continuing their regular duties at their respective parks.
- The Board commented upon the recent tour of Mission Canyon, involving Sup. Schwartz, Admin. Asst Carbajal, and the new County Planning & Development Director, Valentin Alexeeff, accompanied by Tim Steele and Ray Smith.
- Jenny Cushnie reported on a highly successful Brush Clearing Day on May 31<sup>st</sup>, at which 36.9 tons of brush were collected, filling 15 dumpsters. The insurance cost was approximately \$300. Special thanks were extended to Dan Upton, Montecito tree Care (which contributed 3-4 workers and a truck), the US Forest Service and a crew of 8-9 workers, the County of Santa Barbara for free dumping, and of course, Marborg and its 3 drivers, trucks and dumpsters. A newspaper ad will be published in the news press, as well as our next



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Newsletter, thanking these generous supporters. It was also suggested that those neighbors of the

Woman's Club who brought brush in for collection be requested to send thank-you notes to the Woman's Club for allowing its parking lot to be used for the event.

- Bob Maloy presented a synopsis of the June 3d sewer summit conference held at his offices, whereat Steve Halstead (Heal the Ocean / Rincon Association), Chip Marsh, Rick Merriweather (Environmental Health), Vivian \_\_\_\_\_ explained the current status of local waste water disposal regulations to Maloy, Reetz and Daniel. This very informative session summarized the current and proposed regulations, the prospects for sewerization in the Canyon, alternate wastewater methodologies, and the six years' experience of the Rincon Association in seeking sewerization for its 72 homes.
- The Board inquired as to whether the Field Trip bus traveled up Mission Canyon Road at 25 mph with a full passenger load. [The top speed is 45 mph; the 25 mph up Mission Canyon Road was with a full passenger load. Unfortunately, the bus has rarely seen a full passenger load since. RR]
- Ralph Daniel will have more information on fire exits from the Canyon at our next meeting.
- Pma Tregenza is assigned to the Fire & Safety Committee under chairperson Jenny Cushnie. Mark Carr is assigned to the Watershed & Waste Treatment Committee.
- Tim Steele reported that Cal Trans is now considering 24" culverts alongside Foothill Road, reducing to 12" under the existing driveways, as a way of reducing costs of construction and restricting the final downstream discharge to historic levels.. The Board resolved that Tim should write Cal Trans, expressing our concern with this questionable engineering.
- The Board noted that the use of SpiritCreek, Patti Jacquemain's property on Mission Canyon Road just above Andante, when used for weddings and social gatherings, has created traffic and parking problems. The matter was referred to the Land Use Committee.

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