

MISSION CANYON ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
MAY 4, 2004

A regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mission Canyon Association was held at the McVeigh House at the Museum of Natural History on May 4, 2004, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Present were Tim Steele (acting chair), Randy Reetz, Jenny Cushnie, Remo Ruccione, Bob Maloy, Tom Jacobs, Kathy Koury, Charles Del'Arbre, Pma Tregenza and Ralph Daniel. Absent were Ray Smith, Mark Carr, Dorothy Vea, Bill Menchen and Nancy Bertelsen. Also present were Paul Hegarty and Andréa Marcus.

The minutes of the preceding meeting and the financial report dated May 1, 2004 were approved. Reimbursements to Tim Steele (\$178.95); Kathy Koury (\$54.18) and Randy Reetz (\$129.30) were approved. Payment of \$353.40 to AdMark for mailing the annual meeting notice was also approved.

The Board formally elected as new directors Paul Hegarty (electronics engineer) and Andréa Marcus (attorney at law), to serve for the two-year term expiring April 2006.



The Board offered their impressions of the April 20th annual meeting, noting in particular the sizeable attendance and the audience's apparent interest in our presentation. Dr. Daniel heard some attendees express their wish for more Q&A and open discussion. Pma suggested that we could sponsor more single-issue forums (as we did with the Foothill Road project), where more time could be allotted to controversial issues and the open exchange of viewpoints. Next year's meeting could be improved by having better advance signage, getting the mailed notices out a week in advance, and a table just for dues-paying.

The Board discussed the problem posed by private owners who are not cooperating in the evacuation route signage program. Mr. Steele observed that some people, for whatever reason, will not accept signs on their property. Dr. Daniel advised that we should work with the more supportive residents first, and the holdouts should fall in line afterwards.

Regarding the signage on Holly Road: There appear to be issues as to whether dissenting Holly Road residents could be bound by a decision of their Association; whether the

Holly Road residents or the Association have any status to protest the signs on the uppermost parcel (the Koonce property); and the nature of the easement presumably shared by the Holly Road residents. These issues were not resolved.

The Board did review a draft letter to David Cannell (a sign objector), explaining the program and asking for the opportunity to meet and work out the issues he has raised. The Board requested Mr. Steele and Mr. Daniel to address that letter, or a version thereof, to Mr. Cannell (and not the Holly Road Association), and present it personally to him.

The Board next discussed the upcoming May 20th meeting at Skofield Park, scheduled by Jeff Cope (City Parks), and intended as a six-month review of the so-called cross-training program instituted by City Parks. Mr. Steele will attend this meeting, and convey our Association's concerns about the lack of brush clearing in Skofield; inconsistent monitoring of Park users; apparent security lapses regarding opening and closing the gates; and other inefficiencies in the Parks' new program.

The Board further discussed these items:

- Directors' liability insurance coverage – Ms. Cushnie to check on premiums; Mr. Reetz to discuss the necessity of such coverage with Mike Cahill.
- The sewer meeting with Rick Merrifield, to discuss the proposed standards for on-site sewage disposal; the mandatory inspection and monitoring; and the regulations that Mission Canyon residents may encounter in requesting building permits, and when confronted with a failing or inadequate septic system.
- The Phoenix House project on Mountain Drive.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. The next scheduled monthly meeting of the Mission Canyon Association Board is Tuesday, June 1st, 2004 at 7:30 pm.

Randy Reetz, Secretary