# CHATSWORTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES

## September 7, 2011

Andre van der Valk, President, called the meeting to order at Lawrence Middle School at 7:05 p.m. Danny del Valle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The firefighters of Fire Station 96 attended the meeting, and Andre thanked them for all they do.

Due to their attendance at the meeting the following motions from Public Safety and Transportation were taken out of order:

The Board moved on the committee motion to allocate up to \$900.00 for the acquisition of welding equipment for Fire Station 96. **Adopted.** 

<u>The Board moved on the committee motion</u> to send a letter regarding the opposition to reduction in staffing of Chatsworth Fire Stations. <u>Adopted.</u>

Linda Ross took roll call of the members

In attendance: Dorothy Allison, Kamesh Aysola, Vicki Briskman (7:25), Jelena Csanyi, Judith Daniels, Diana Dixon-Davis (7:15), Jeff Hammond, Mary Kaufman, Chuck Knolls, Scott Munson, Richard Nadel, Linda Ross, Jim van Gundy, Lucie Volotsky, Justin Weiss, Andre van der Valk, and Linda van der Valk

Absent: Erik Pampalone, Dan Huffman (excused) Carol Lucas (excused)

Dan Schar, Lawrence M.S. Principal, thanked the CNC for its continued support.

Maximillian Reyes, Senior Field Representative from Fran Pavley's office, addressed the Council. He can be reached with questions or concerns at max.reyes@sen.ca.gov.

Rosalba Gonzalez, Field Representative from Assemblymember Bob Blumenfield's office. AB 1298 to stop mobile billboards is on the Governor's desk.

## LAPD Report—Danny Del Valle

There are issues with the theft of copper piping vehicle break-ins. Devonshire is second in the city in crime reduction.-10 There will be no Halloween event this year. The District meeting is November 3 at 7 p.m. at Shepherd of the Hills Church.

#### Megan Cottier, Councilman Englander's office—

Fliers with legislation items were available.- Report stray shopping carts at 1(800) 252-4613.

## **Public Comment**

Ann Ziliak, Granada Hills N.C. Land Use Committee, introduced herself.

Agnes Lewis, Rotary Club Granada Hills, mentioned a blood drive is being held on Saturday,

October 1 at the Recreation Center at the North Valley Youth Sports Complex. Log on to www.rotarygivesblood.org for more info

Jeanne plum-She requested that the Neighborhood Council work with Transportation and Planning in designing intersection by Sierra Canyon School for safe passage as the equestrian trails and walkways do not have a public easement. The Equestrian Committee will write a letter of support.

John Luker-SSMPA-AB42 has passed through the House and Senate to allow non-profit organizations to take over closed parks. The SSMPA will take over Santa Susanna State Historic Park.

Paul Grabkin-National Association of Letter Carriers-The Postal Service is running in a deficit. There is a bill in Congress that will allow Postal Service to not have to refund retirement funds in the future. Phone calls need to be made asking the legislators to pass this bill.

Teena Takata-Support is needed to submit recommendations regarding scoping for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the NASA portion of the Santa Susana Field Laboratory (SSFL), that the issues that affect our community are studied.

Linda van der Valk <u>moved</u> to send the letter stating recommendations for the study of community issues for the EIS. Mary Kaufman seconded. <u>Adopted unanimously.</u>

## **Upcoming Events/Announcements**

- ① Lunch to welcome Mitch Englander at the Porter Valley Country Club, October 27
- ② 9/11 Memorial- Sept 10 and 11 at Shepherd of the Hills Church
- Demolish water line Saturday, September 10, 9 p.m.- 6 a.m. Roscoe and Canoga
- Neighborhood Council regional meeting to discuss election methods on Saturday, September 17
- 91311 event-Face painting raffles silent auction, Tuesday, September 12, 4:30-8:30
- Dioneer Day, October 2 at The Acre, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

#### Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of August 3, 2011 were approved as printed.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The updated CNC bylaws-TABLED UNTIL NEXT MONTH

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None

## Treasurer's Report—Vicki Briskman

Vicki Briskman moved to approve the monthly CNC expenditures. Richard Nadel seconded. Adopted unanimously.

#### <u>Discussion of Upcoming Election</u>

One board position is open, and applications are available for those interested. The election will be held at the October meeting.

A Presentation was given regarding Hidden Creeks Estate of proposed 188 homes in Brown's Canyon

Linda van der Valk moved to approve up to \$200.00 for supplies for the Congress of Neighborhood Councils. Jelena Csanyi seconded. Adopted unanimously.

## STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Public Safety and Transportation-Scott Munson

The Board moved on the committee motion to send a letter to support an ordinance that imposes shopping cart containment standards on businesses. Adopted unanimously.

The Board moved on the committee motion to allocate up to \$1000.00 to sponsor a CPR class. Adopted unanimously.

The Board moved on the committee motion to allocate up to \$1000.00 to sponsor a First Aid class. Adopted unanimously.

## Outreach Jelena Csanyi

The Board moved on the committee motion to allocate up to \$500.00 for advertising in the Kiwanis Chatsworth Holiday Parade program. Adopted unanimously.

The Board moved on the committee motion to allocate up to \$1000.00 for an ad in the Chatsworth Junior Baseball League year book plus two team sponsorships. Adopted unanimously.

Jelena Csanyi <u>moved</u> to allocate up to \$1000.00 for rental of portable toilets and hand washing stations for the visit of 160 students to Santa Susana Pass State Park. Diana Dixon-Davis seconded. <u>Adopted unanimously.</u>

3. Community Enhancements: Richard Nadel - Jelena Csanyi

<u>The Board moved on the committee motion</u> allocate up to \$500.00 for purchase of items needed for Annual Luncheon Honoring Women Veterans. <u>Adopted unanimously.</u>

The Board moved on the committee motion to allocate up to \$250.00 for purchase of hot dog lunches, etc. for volunteers at Stoney Point cleanup. Adopted unanimously.

**The Board moved on the committee motion** to allocate up to \$200.00 to purchase supplies for lunch for the January CCCC General Meeting. **Adopted unanimously.** 

4. Beautification: Kamesh Aysola

The committee discussed the 91311 event at the last meeting. No meeting this month.

5. Equestrian: Mary Kaufman No report

6. Land Use: Linda van der Valk

The Board moved on the committee motion to deny the request for a CUB and Zone variance to sell wine/beer at Walgreens 20901 Devonshire. Adopted unanimously.

On Friday, Sept. 9 Land Use is taking a field trip to Chatsworth Hills Academy at 10 a.m.

## **Board Member Comments**

VANC-Voted to oppose DWP rate increase. Wendy Gruel will talk to them about alternative to regular election. It is possible that independent elections of Councils will be allowed.

The Congress of Neighborhoods is open to all stakeholders on September 24.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Linda Ross Secretary