



## **Board Meeting Minutes of the Indian Valley Associates (IVA)**

For meeting held on November 10, 2009

Home of Rodney Bosche, 1862 Indian Valley Road, Novato CA 94947

### **Board Members:**

*Present:* Rodney Bosche, Nita Bruinsslot, Jonell O'Day, Mike Foley, Gary Frugoli, Bob Abeling, Diane Gasson, Kitty Houghton, John Isaacs, Barry Sheppard, Nancy Niche, Tom Tharsing,

*Absent:* Vivian Poole, Mike Murphy, Sherman Leland, David Price Jones, Ed Grudstrom

*Others Present:* Marin Humane Society Outreach Director, Cindy Michado; Monica Brett

**Proceedings:** 7:41 pm | A brief presentation was given by Cindy Machado of the Marin Humane Society regarding disaster preparedness and evacuation planning for our animals. Brochures distributed: Pet Disaster Plan; Disaster Plan: Large & Barnyard Animals.

With our valleys and peaks, we are landlocked in Indian Valley, possibly without county services for three days to two weeks. It is suggested that we do the following:

- Take an inventory of pastures (enclosed), covered arenas, barns/stalls, cages/small critter keeps, coops
- Guidelines for disaster preparedness and evacuation plan on IVA website
- Obtain 'Run-Map' from fire department
- Mailer to members requesting current photos of pets and livestock, name of owner, address, emergency numbers, any special needs instructions
- Distribution of window decals indicating parcel contains registered animals

**Meeting called to order** at 7:41 p.m. by Chair, Rodney Bosche; Introduction of Cindy Michado and presentation follows. Regular meeting resumes 8:34 pm.

**Minutes:** Meeting minutes of 9/15/09 were amended (Bob Abeling: only the presenters got thank you notes, not all attendees; Barry Sheppard did attend) and approved (Gary|Nita).

**Treasurer's Report** - (Jonell distributed report dated September 15, 2009) Membership; nine new families have moved into the area since our last mailing. Approved (Rodney|Nita).

**Road Safety** – (Rodney) Toni Shroyer sent another letter (10/20/09 not distributed) regarding the brick column construction at 1803 Indian Valley Road. Discussion ensued regarding permit (or lack thereof), IV Specific Plan regulations, action we should take, etc. Rodney reportedly responded to Toni that it has been submitted to the county and she

will be notified promptly when we get a response. Rodney reported that speed on IVRd is down as a result of the new monitors, recent CHP patrol. Bob observed notice posted in incorporated Hill Rd./Tamalpais that over to IVRd is to be resurfaced. His concerns have to do with our IV Specific Plan; whether or not there will be a widening of IVRd from Hill/Tamalpais within city limits. Unincorporated area starts at 1526 IVRd.

**Use Permits** – (Nita) Discussion regarding Scarelli |Curry properties. 22.6 acres butting up against CSA20 toured by Bob Abeling with new Open Space Acquisition Manager.

**Website** – (Mike) No changes. Possible to implement animal disaster notices. Ongoing discussion of getting a list Bob has of email addresses for members. Jonell will accept list as hard copy and incorporate it into the master database.

**Chipper Days** – (Rodney) Thank you letters sent to participating properties (Cantarutti, Niche, Mr. Arbor). Mike Murphy has been given the fire dept folder, as he has agreed to take over as committee chair.

**Marin County Community Budget Forum**; Bob, Rodney, Diane & Barry attended. 60 people were in attendance. It was a workshop to discuss the \$46M gap and how to accommodate it. Rodney has a packet of data. It is also on the county website.

**President's Report** – (Rodney) Discussion about the request for the IVA to weigh in on the countywide discussion about mountain bikes on single-track trails. Nita reported on the presentation and video shown at the county meeting; Ron Miska said there is going to be either a 12-month study by regional committees, or a 12 to 18-month study by the county (the latter seems likely). Next Meeting is January 19, 2010; the annual board dinner is to again be graciously hosted by Rodney and Robin Bosche. Supervisor Judy Arnold has agreed to attend. It is a potluck; Jonell has agreed to coordinate the menu; board members are asked to RSVP with number in party and dish details.

**Open time**: A letter is circulated from the family of Woody Malone (dated November 3, 2009) thanking the IVA board for the bouquet of flowers and thoughtful remembrance. A flyer announcing a celebration of Woody's life to be held at the Loftus Barn on December 12<sup>th</sup> at 11am was distributed. Nancy asked if everyone had heard about the Spare the Air updates, including the new fine schedule. There was a brief discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 9:24 pm (Bob|Gary)

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Niche, IVA Secretary, January 11, 2010