



Board Meeting Minutes of the Indian Valley Associates (IVA)

For meeting held on April 13, 2010

Home of Rodney Bosche, Indian Valley, Novato CA 94947

Board Members:

Present: Rodney Bosche, Jonell O'Day, Mike Foley, Bob Abeling, Diane Gasson, Ed Grundstrom, Kitty Houghton, Monica Brett, John Isaacs, Barry Sheppard, Nancy Niche, Tom Tharsing, Vivian Poole, Mike Murphy, Sherman Leland

Absent: Gary Frugoli, Nita Bruinsslot

Meeting called to order at 7:37 p.m. by Chair, Rodney Bosche

Minutes: Meeting minutes of 2/23/10 were approved (Barry|Monica).

Treasurer's Report - (Jonell distributed report dated April 13, 2010.) The balance in the General Fund will be \$4,754.66 after payment made to Bruce Stang (\$150), The Flower Fund had income and expenses close to \$80 each, and so it remains low.

Road Safety – (Rodney) The two brick pillars T 1803 IVRd are down, so our involvement with complaints is over. David Jones is again out on patrol for speeders and non-stoppers. Diane reported that the realty sign company apparently took down the Indian Trail street sign when removing their oversized sign at the corner. She will call the County's Department of Public Works to report it.

1758 IVRd (Villa Cemento) has seen a lot of activity lately. Nancy says this is likely Gerry Hynes, the cement contractor who won the property in foreclosure with a Mechanics Lien, cleaning the property up for the close of escrow.

Sherman reports that his neighbor at 1681 IVRd is for sale.

Use Permits – (Nita) No report.

Website – (Mike) Mike has not had time to update the site and says he is getting too busy to continue the volunteer job. He asked if anyone want to take it over. Nancy is the only one with any experience, but does not want to add this to her other duties of Secretary and Newsletter editor. Nancy asked if someone else will take over as secretary. No one readily responded.

President's Report – (Rodney) The committee for the Single-Track Bike Trail issue has not met. Rodney, Robin, Jonell, Sherman, Monica and John recommitted to this issue.

The Annual Meeting Committee (Rodney, Sherman) asked if the board wanted to invite anyone in particular to speak. Monica suggested the president of NMWD (Jack Baker) to explain a number of issues the community is disgruntled over. Nancy suggested Cindy Machado, Emergency Prepare Captain, Humane Society.

The character of the annual event was discussed. Jonell contends that it is a lot to spend for a BBQ – and it is the membership dues money. Barry pointed out that it was largely attended last year, and that we might want to consider it a tradition for the future and see where it goes. We agreed to form an Event Committee, separate from the Annual Meeting Committee to budget and plan the particulars. This committee is Jonell, Vivian, Monica, Barry and Sherman – also Ron Witzel will be asked. They will contact Carol and Lloyd to see what the possibilities are of holding an ‘Attic Sale’ or silent auction.

Jonell again brought up the idea of raising the dues to \$20. Discussion followed. Rodney called for a vote and it passed by a majority of 15:1, Bob being the only dissenting vote.

Annual meeting date is set for Saturday, June 12, 2010.

Chipper Days – (Mike Murphy) Chair presented the flyer for Chipper Days to be included in the newsletter. He formally requested the \$500 that is IVA’s part of the \$1,500 total to Mr. Arbor. The contract is ready for Rodney’s signature, as well as Hector Chan’s. **Newsletter deadline (in the mail) is May 13.**

Open time:

Rodney asks that any board members not participating in volunteer work STEP UP!

Nancy discusses the launch of the Animal Disaster Preparedness and how it is the perfect vehicle to lift up the concept of neighborhood team captains. It is noted that the volunteers to help with this can come from membership, as well as board, and that the outreach should start with the newsletter.

Vivian and Diane both had comments about the need for an organized “Neighborhood Watch” effort.

Jonell brought up the idea of a neighborhood community garage sale. The group debated over it, but the full concept was not grasped, nor embraced.

Mike brought up signage for the events; Chipper Days and Annual Meeting. He suggests larger, professional signs that be placed in 3 spots on an occasional, but regular basis to announce our events. Rodney and Nancy both have referrals, so once the size is mandated, they will come back with bids.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm (Jonell|Kitty)

(After the meeting, Kitty approached Nancy and said she would be willing to take the roll of secretary if Nancy wants to take on the website maintenance. This is open for discussion.)

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Niche, IVA Secretary, April 14, 2010