

INDIAN VALLEY ASSOCIATES MEETING
NOVEMBER 21, 2013
1836 Indian Valley Road

The meeting was called to order at 7:30. Present were Michael Goldin, Jonelle O'Day, Nita Bruinsslot, Skip Fenner, Barry Sheppard, Lynn Perry, Tom Tharsing, Craig Knowlton, Sherman Leland, Ron and Joanna Witzel, Vicki Martinez, Claudine le Moal, Ladd Cahoon, Lisa Hecker and Monica Brett. Absent, Gary Frugoli and Bill Stewart.

Three sets of minutes were sent to directors via email and some amendments were made. As soon as the minutes are amended, they will be sent out for approval and eventual uploading to our website.

Jonelle has to make up the new roster of Directors and Emeritus and asked for us all to make sure the email addresses and phone numbers are correct. She presented the treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$9,589.60, a larger balance than usual, but a check has to be sent to Hector Chan. Jonelle explained to the new Directors about the Flower Fund, explaining that the \$20 is voluntary and the fund is used for sending flowers or charitable donations. The barbecue actually cost us \$48.87 because the raffle made \$675. Dues in the amount of \$2,780 have been collected this year.

Michael Goldin, Ladd Cahoon, Claudine Le Moal and Lisa Hecker all introduced themselves and they were welcomed by the other board members.

Tom Tharsing reported that Chipper Days this fall were more orderly than usual. No debris was left at the 2 sites so Tom did not have to make the usual trip to the dump. The McGovern site was a little difficult to access on one Saturday so the Cantarutti site was fuller than usual. Tom thought that not advertising the dump sites other than sending out the postcards eliminated some of the non-residents from dumping. Tom explained that we may be a little out of pocket this year because Fire Safe Marin did not get funding itself, but in early October they did in fact send us a check for \$1,500. Unfortunately, Hector Chan raised his price a little this year to \$1680 and we still have to pay Nancy for the postcards.

Jonelle thought that the Chipper Days is good advertising for IVA. Maybe people see that something positive is being done with their dues and so they join and pay.

Jonelle asked if we should plan a Christmas event. Jonelle and Monica will put their heads together to come up with a plan to present to the other board members.

Craig noted that there was more police presence on the road, but even so, people talked about speeding and dangerous driving on the road.

Monica complained about the many cars parked along the fence line opposite the Open Space. Other neighbors complained about the noise very early in the morning. A suggestion was made that we should post a sign specifying that the Open Space is only open during daylight hours. Maybe the CHP could ticket if cars are parked at other times.

Tom commented that the ditch on Indian Valley at Pillsbury is full of gravel. He has asked the County to clean it out, but has had no response. He fears that when the rains come, damage will be done to the road.

The day after Thanksgiving is the day Bruce Stang asks for volunteers to erect the annual Nativity Scene. Volunteers were requested to help in the work. Robin Cantarruti will bring his tractor/loader to help with the heavy lifting.

Lisa Hecker brought up the controversy on NextDoor.com about people using the site for commercial advertising. She said the posts from a number of people became quite contentious, so Mike has written something to try to sort out the problem.

Craig presented a gift voucher for dinner to Ron and Joanna to thank them for hosting the board meetings.

Motion was made to adjourn seconded and carried. Refreshments were served.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Brett