

INDIAN VALLEY ASSOCIATES
November 17, 2016
at Witzel house

Craig called the meeting to order at 7.45 pm. Present were Craig Knowlton, Skip Fenner, Nita Bruinsslot, Sherman Leland, Lyn Perry, Bill Stewart, Jonell O'Day, Kent Aue, Tom Tharsing together with Ron Witzel, emeritus.

Craig said that the minutes from the last meeting would be sent out to the board members via email in a couple of days.

Craig noted that Tanya had emailed him telling him she was out of the country, but would be at the next meeting.

Craig recommended that Gary Frugoli be considered for emeritus after his years of service on the board. Skip made a motion and Bill seconded.

Craig then talked about the website. It had attracted a virus and Sitelock was not set up properly so not giving good security, but he's fixed it now.

Treasurer's report:

Jonell handed out the report which shows a balance of \$9,848.15 after paying Mr. Arbor, PO Box rental, annual meeting costs, stamps and printing.

Craig discussed noisy motorcycles on the road. He managed to talk to one of the riders who promised to be more careful.

Craig relayed that Tom Lai of the County Planning Department has located the correct specific plan that the Board of Supervisors voted on with the footnote pertaining to the building to lot size ratio allowed in Indian Valley. A2B4 has a sliding scale for that ratio up to a limit of 7,000 sq.ft. based on lot size, with the smallest parcels allowed to build to 30% FAR (floor area ratio). 4,000 square feet and up triggers design review. The question has been whether the 7,000 sq ft limit also applies to parcels zoned A10 and A60. Ron said we must make the Planning Department comply with the version of the IV Specific Plan that was passed by the Board of Supervisors, which included the footnote limiting all properties within Indian Valley to 7,000 square feet FAR. As the IVA is a neighborhood association, we are tasked with ensuring those at the county level adhere to and enforce the IV Specific Plan.

Chipper Days:

Tom described the difficulties encountered on the first day of dumping at Frank McGovern's property. Because we only had one dump site this year, there was a traffic jam of loaded trucks trying to get into the site. Some people were not dumping in the right place and then one truck got stuck in the deep footing. Tom fetched his tractor and got everyone sorted out and also scraped the footing so that trucks could get traction. There was a lot of brush dumped on the first weekend, so Mr. Arbor came during the week and chipped everything from that weekend, returning the following week to chip the brush from the second weekend.

FIRESafe Marin will pay up to \$3,000 of the cost of chipping the brush. Tom expects they will reimburse us soon. There may be additional funds available from Novato Fire Dept. for the spring Chipper Days.

Permits:

Nita reported no new applications. The plans of the proposed Medvedev home at 10 Tanglewood are with the Planning Dept. They have made some changes to the profile of the house so that it fits the contours of the land better.

Annual dinner:

Craig asked us if we wanted to have our dinner at Wild Fox again. Sherman made a motion to do so and Tom seconded. The proposed date is Wednesday the 18th January. Jonell said that she would call Wild Fox and set up the dinner details. It was decided to invite Frank McGovern and guest, Cantarutti and guest and Nancy Niche and guest.

Presidency:

Craig told us that he has so little spare time that he really cannot do the job justice at the moment. He suggested that we find a temporary president for a year or two. There followed a discussion about how we could help Craig by splitting off a number of responsibilities to ease his workload, but we could not come up with a viable plan. So, we are looking for a new president.

At 9.15, Sherman made a motion to adjourn and Tom seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Brett
Secretary