

Mediterrania Homeowners Association



Rancho Palos Verdes
Minutes of the June 10, 2014 Board Meeting
Called to Order: 7:38pm

1. In Attendance

Pat Carroll, Lois Karp, Joyce Kochanowski, Carol Morris, Don Ott, Viviana Pichler, Alice Snyder.

Absent: Mort Bauchman, Amy Sulkowski. **Host/ess:** Pat Carroll.

2. Approval of Minutes

There were two corrections noted: 1) Lois Karp's report referenced "MDC", but should be "MND"; and 2) Alice Snyder's report re RPV should include that they are considering out-bidding on not only legal but IT services.

Upon a motion by Carol Morris and seconded by Joyce Kochanowski, the Minutes of May 13, 2014 (as corrected) were unanimously approved.

Mr. Carroll stated that his meeting notes may not be completely accurate inasmuch as by joining the discussions he may miss writing down all aspects. In that regard he said he would send the Minutes first draft the next day to all in attendance at the meeting for their collective corrections/additions/proofing.

3. Officers' Reports

President:

a. Viviana Pichler advised that a wildfire action plan called "Ready, Set, Go!" is available on the RPV website. The plan provides tips and tools to successfully prepare for a wildfire. It's supported by many agencies including L.A. City Fire Dept.

b. RPV Emergency Supply Kits are available for sale at Point Vicente Interpretive Center for \$39.95. Don Ott recommended that each household have a battery-powered radio in the event that electricity is shut down in our neighborhoods for whatever reason.

c. A Permit Parking Program is scheduled for the Seabluff neighborhood, which is adjacent to Terranea.

d. Reporting on behalf of Mr. Bauchman, we were advised of an additional three paid members, bringing the total to 83.

Vice President:

Alice Snyder suggested sending a letter to the RPVCC requesting additional police presence, not only in our area but Hill-wide. Further discussion led to support for addressing the issue at the next CHOA meeting so as to amass the support and letters of many other HOA's, thereby showing "strength in numbers" on this important issue. It was advanced that an additional officer might cost the city \$150,000 in wages and benefits (this number is arbitrary and for discussion purposes only), and wouldn't hurt RPV's surplus. Ms. Snyder & Ms. Karp will contact those who can provide a more accurate number.

Guest:

a. Lois Karp stated that the city's search for a City Manager continues. It was noted that an attempt to change the title to "City Administrator" was turned down due to like-titles being associated with scandals in Bell and Carson. The City Manager should have total authority over City employees and answer to the City Council.

b. Petty theft reports have been noted in the area of Floweridge and Ganado. Some automobile alarm systems may be at risk for electronic hacking and circumventing.

4. Committee Reports**Newsletter:**

Pat Carroll met with RPV's individual in charge with "assembling" theirs and got some feedback. It is anticipated that MHOA could put out a "Summer" issue scheduled for distribution during June 28-29. It would be reduced to 4 pages and cost roughly half the Spring issue. Only those who've paid will be listed, and Committee Reports will be reduced or purposely omitted for this issue. An Application will be included.

Streets & Landscaping:

a. Dot Ott advised that the landscaping (pruning and brush clearing) at the Mediterranea entrance has been completed, and the \$200 expense was well worth it.

b. The RPV quarterly Newsletter shows a link to a street sweeping schedule, and info pertinent to Mediteranea's streets will be garnered for our Newsletter.

Old Business:

Pat Carroll related that he'd drafted a letter to be inserted in the Newsletter to Hawksmoor non-paids requesting that they join. The letter would be signed by fellow Hawksmoor residents. Mr. Ott thought something along the lines of the letter's intent might be good for a spot in the next Newsletter.

New Business:

All joined in discussing facets surrounding the annual membership meeting in January, such as:

- a. where to be held (Trump, Terranea, Ladera Linda, etc.)
- b. what time of day (afternoon or evening)
- c. food (full meal, buffet, light food, etc.)

Various Board members will seek out possible options and report at the next Board meeting.

Adjournment:

Upon a motion by Alice Snyder, seconded by Don Ott, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45pm.

Next Meeting:

July 8th, 7:30p.m., at the home of Mort Bauchman, 31203 Ganado Dr., RPV.