

# Mediterrania Homeowners Association



Rancho Palos Verdes  
Minutes of the October 14, 2014 Board Meeting  
Called to Order: 7:28m

## 1. In Attendance

Mort Bauchman, Pat Carroll, Lois Karp, Carol Morris, Don Ott, Viviana Pichler, Alice Snyder, Amy Sulkowski.

**Host/ess:** Don Ott

## 2. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes were distributed by email to all prior to the meeting. Upon a motion by Amy Sulkowski, the Minutes were approved

## 3. Officers' Reports:

**President:** Viviana Pichler

a. Ms. Pichler stated that a notice was sent around regarding the RPV ribbon cutting ceremony dedicating the completion of the San Ramon Canyon project to be held on October 15.

**Vice President:** Alice Snyder

a. At the recent CHOA meeting the issue of an additional LASD officer being assigned to The Hill was not addressed. This issue might be brought up at the next meeting. Mr. Carroll mentioned that he'd met with Supervisor Don Knabe's field office since the last Board meeting and had been given numbers related to the actual cost to RPV of an additional officer. Cost of a 40-hour officer would be about \$220,000 with benefits and fringes. The figures were given to Ms. Snyder for future discussion at the CHOA level.

b. Even though crime reports are down, as compared to last year, CHOA needs to get more involved in the overall crime prevention scenario.

c. At this point general discussion centered around speeding on Ganado, both uphill and downhill, as well as the continued motorcycle problem along PVDE on weekends. Mr. Carroll advised that the interim road striping on PVDE from Miraleste Dr. to Marymount has some serious areas of mis-aligned curves and striping. Notifying RPV City Hall of some of these matters has generally fallen on deaf ears.

**Treasurer:** Mr. Bauchman

a. The financial report shows that recent expenditures were for the Fall Newsletter (\$276) and the Ladera Linda Room Rental (\$186), otherwise the account continues to remain above \$5,000.

## 4. Guest: Lois Karp

a. The City has removed the sandbags from alongside PVDE on Marymount's property, and replaced them with a block wall not much higher than a standard curb. Major storm runoff may pose a problem.

b. MCU's recent Gala disturbed many San Ramon & Tarapaca residents due to excessive noise by contractors in erecting tents using jackhammers for pole stabilization until as late as 7:20pm. Calls to RPV elicited responses to the effect of "Well, they have permits."

c. MCU has resubmitted its athletic field plans, though they're outdated and flawed. Among other things, the nets were to be retractable but the revision shows otherwise. The application is deemed incomplete by RPV. "Demonstration" nets will be put up soon for neighbor feedback.

d. An estimate of 70 spectators at events was initially given, but 250 is entered on the Application for Miraleste Intermediate.

## 5. Committee Reports:

**Traffic/Construction:** Amy Sulkowski – *nothing to report at this time*

**Newsletter:** Pat Carroll

a. What weekend would be the best for distributing the Winter issue? Consensus was after the Christmas holiday, perhaps early January.

b. The Annual Members' Dinner would be promoted, perhaps even with a flyer inserted. The menu and list of guest speakers would also be a key feature in order to attract more guests.

**Streets & Landscaping:** Don Ott

a. Pictures in the current Newsletter of the swales loaded with debris should adequately relay the message that they need to be cleaned out lest potential damage and liability come into play.

b. Christmas lights at the entrance need to be renewed and/or replaced, and available electricity is nearby.

c. Some oleanders have died and need to be removed. Replacement is not a necessity at this point due to uncertainty as to future weather.

d. Some discussion centered around the city taking over the shrubbery and thereby maintaining it.

**Old Business:** Annual Meeting.

a. Food. Would it be sufficient to have only Babouch and Raffaello's, or could Bon Appetit also be included.

b. Wine. BYOB vs. MHOA providing. Messrs. Bauchman and Carroll will meet and give their findings.

c. These items will continue to be discussed at meetings inasmuch as there is sufficient time left to decide.

d. The attendance might range from 50-80.

**New Business:** 2015 Board Nominations

a. Ms. Sulkowski announced that she and her husband will be absent from the area at various points during the year and she may not be able to remain as a Director.

b. The Newsletter plea for nominees produced only one response, but it was a renter.

c. A Mediterranean resident list will be sent to all Directors to peruse for potential nominees. As it stands, there could be as many as seven openings, though as few as three could be elected (meaning five active Directors).

**Adjournment:**

Upon a motion by everyone present, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm.

**Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, November 11, 2014, 7:30pm, at the home of Carol Morris, 31107 Ganado Dr., RPV.