

# Mediterrania Homeowners Association

<http://palosverdes.com/mha/>



Rancho Palos Verdes  
Minutes of the August 11, 2015 Board Meeting  
Called to Order: 6:39pm

## 1. In Attendance

Pat Carroll, Sue Estes, Jerry Hashimoto, Ela Heyn, Joyce Kochanowski, Chris Wilson.  
**Guest:** Betty Riedman (MHOA Webmaster)

## 2. Approval of June 9, 2015 Minutes

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

## 3. Officers Reports:

**Treasurer:** Ms. Kochanowski reported \$5626.15 in the MHOA account (compared to \$6098.04 as of June 9, 2015).

**Vice President:** Mr. Hashimoto discussed the CHOA meeting, which included discussion of water saving ideas.

## 4. Committee Reports:

**Streets and Landscaping:** Motion was made by Secretary and seconded by President to inquire with Juan Reyes about pricing for periodic maintenance of landscaping and possible replacement of grass with drought-resistant plants/hardscape in the lower Mediterrania sign area. Apparently, per Mr. Reyes, if the lower sign grass is watered enough, the plants bordering the sign wall get too wet and expire. If the border plants are kept dry enough, the grass gets brown and expires.

**Newsletter:** To include "save the date" information re Annual Meeting. Next newsletters planned for 9/15 and 12/15. Need articles, such as about why to be a paying MHOA member,

why to consider work on the Board, 311 for non-emergency Sheriff help, photos desired for MHOA web pages, status of landscaping efforts, ideas/suggestions desired for drought resistant landscaping around lower sign, CHOA meeting, suggestions for arts jury attention, suggestions for things to discuss in newsletter, suggestions for places to plant replacement City trees (as and when funds are available and water resource conditions look good), ideas/suggestions for traffic control on switchbacks and Ganado, ideas/suggestions for best use of available police and police volunteer resources (eg Neighborhood Watch) to protect property and people.

## 5. Old Business:

- a. **Resident and mailing labels have been obtained.** List of residents should help MHOA track streets that might want to increase MHOA paid membership and support of MHOA Board with volunteers. Hawksmoor presently has a distinguished record of support of MHOA and the MHOA Board.
- b. **Newsletter mailing instead of hand delivery.** Round table discussion of effectiveness of mailing (as a revenue generator) versus hand delivery. Next newsletter to be hand-delivered. MHOA can still use more home owners willing to pay annual dues, and volunteers for MHOA board positions.

## 6. New or Future Business:

- a. **Board Positions Profile/Synopsis.** Job descriptions to be prepared by year end for inclusion on the web site, including (perhaps) 3 things the incumbent sought to accomplish (or maintain, or avoid fouling-up).
- b. **MHOA Website Update.** Presentation by MHOA Webmaster re MHOA web pages versus those of other RPV HOAs. Board supports ideas of updating photos, having Minutes accessible, possible improvements to look. Site address is <http://palosverdes.com/mha/> - will be shown on Minutes and perhaps also on each Newsletter.
- c. **By-Laws Update.** Update would be in order to (1) increase dues, (2) provide for voting (and standing for office) by proxy at annual meetings (or in person), (3) provide for pre-payment of dues if desired (so, not just at or after Annual meeting). Proposal to be worked on by President and Secretary.
- d. **Annual Dinner.** Reservation of space to be requested from Mona Dill [(310) 544-5266] at RPV Recreation and Parks, ideally 6 PM on a Sunday.

**8. Adjournment:** Upon a motion by Ms. Kochanowski and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.