

RIVER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 7:30 pm
Fremont Church – Room E-210

Call to Order

Meeting was called at 7:30 pm by Doug Leslie, President.

Members present

Doug Leslie - President
Molly Greene - Vice President
Renee Stern - Secretary
Melissa Murphy - Treasurer
Shelly Hescock - Board Member, Neighborhood Watch Committee Chair
Gail Thearle - Board Member, Finance Committee Chair
Eric Schranz - Board Member, Public Relations Committee Chair and Finance Committees Member
Curtis Cogdill - Board Member, Events Committee Chair, Public Relations and Neighborhood Improvement Committees Member
Chip Studley - Board Member, Membership and Elections Committee Chair
David Boyer - Board Member, Events Committee Member
Mike Craig - Board Member, Neighborhood Improvement Committee Member
Caitlin Morrow - Events Committee Member
Justin Wisely - Neighborhood Watch Committee Member
Andrew White - Neighborhood Improvement Committee Member
Richard Vincent - Public Relations Committee Member
Tamis Reed - Membership Coordinator
Lee Ruth - Community Member
Other community members present

Minutes

Minutes from March 2017 were presented. Motion to approve by Doug Leslie, seconded. Minutes approved by board.

Discussion and vote: Should we have a spring general meeting?

Various City entities would like to present to the River Park Neighborhood Association Board this Spring. In lieu of a special “spring” meeting we could start our meetings early in May. That would give both entities time to present to the

board and community. Motion to start general meetings at 7 pm in May 2017 and June 2017 was put before the committee. City of Sacramento would have 30 minutes in May and Capitol Corridor project would have 30 minutes in June. Motion to approve by Chip Studley, seconded by Molly Greene. General meeting in May 2017 and June 2017 will start at 7 pm to accommodate presentations.

Winsol Groundworks Offer to assist Yermol Garden Improvements

Ongoing efforts to improve Yermol Garden. Efforts by City Council, Jeff Harris's office in conjunction with Lee Ruth are underway. Proceed landscaping had bid part of the project and will be paid through District 3 funding. Additionally, there was an offer to assist by Winslow Groundworks to pay for various parts and the labor.

Spring Membership Drive

Tamis Reed, River Park Neighborhood Association Membership Coordinator, presented regarding the Spring Membership Drive. Spring Membership Drive was included as an insert in the River Park Review. Received 80 payments in which we are processing including a \$100 donation from a new member. On par with previous Spring membership drives. Lapsed membership drive, and will be delivered via bicycle. May/June is the timing for this next membership drive.

Discussion ensued regarding how membership dues in reserve should be used, monitored, and kept (CD account or savings?).

Public Safety Report

Officer James Harrington presented information regarding ongoing public safety work in River Park. Most notably, the pod has been delayed for the time being. Board members and Officer Harrington discussed various public safety concerns as summer approaches.

Assemblymember Kevin McCarty (District 7) update

Assemblymember Kevin McCarty's staff, Leann, presented information regarding McCarty's priorities, Mother's Day events, summer programs for children. More information can be found at: <https://a07.asmdc.org>

River Park Review: Request for Newsletter Articles

Doug Leslie requested newsletter articles from board members for the River Park Review. Various members agreed to submit an article including Molly Greene, Melissa Murphy, Shelley Hescocock, Events committee, and Public Relations Committee. All members were encouraged to e-mail Richard Vincent, Editor of the River Park Review, with submissions prior to May 15th.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee Report (Melissa Murphy)

Melissa Murphy updated board regarding current expenses/income and checking/savings/CD accounts.

Membership and Elections Report (Chip Studley)

Chip Studley updated board regarding membership efforts, including a targeted effort.

Public Relations Committee Report (Eric Shrantz)

Eric Shrantz is actively updating the RPNA Website. Traffic has increased as content continues to be populated. Articles are needed to make content timely. Paypal easy payments have been set up to increase ease of membership dues. Visit <http://riverparksacramento.net> to see the updates.

The River Park Review continues to be discussed. Next meeting 30 minutes will be designated to discuss the continued publication and dissemination of this neighborhood newsletter.

Neighborhood Watch Committee Report (Shelley Hescocock)

Shelley Hescocock reported on ongoing efforts. Neighborhood Watch Committee members continue to patrol and increase safety in our neighborhood. Various parties have been deescalated due to the efforts of its members. More volunteers are welcome to participate and patrol. Click on "Neighborhood Watch" tab on RPNA website for contact information.

Events Committee Report (Curtis Coolidge)

Curtis Coolidge talked about ongoing advertising efforts. Group is trying to find out room rates to support River Park University classes. Fourth of July event there is a push to make it open and inclusive of all members River Park, families, couples and singles. Looking for volunteers from community and the board to assist in the 4th of July events. Sign up on-line at <http://signup.com/go/diQRHe>. Ideas for activities are human fuse ball, cornhole, pie eating contest, hola hoop contest. DJ Lady Shar will be there to play music and she announce games/events.

Predicted attendance for Fourth of July event is 300.
Cafe La Monde, Roxy Deli are current donors. Looking for ice cream and additional food vendors.
Coordinating with Buffalo Chips running group to coordinate run and parade timing.

Neighborhood Improvement Committee Report (Doug Leslie)

Doug Leslie reported on ongoing neighborhood improvements. Exercise equipment will be “opening” this Spring/Summer in Glen Hall Park.

Public Comment

Lee Ruth discussed the upcoming “Tree Tours” happening in late April through June. Visit the CSUS Arboretum on the April 29th from 10 am to noon.

Meeting Adjourned – Next meeting will be May 18th at 7 pm (early start).
Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.