

Los Trancos Woods Community Association
Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2015
PV Library

Attendees:

Public: Bob Neuer, Steve Friedman

Board: Kim Acker, Sonia Martinez, Howard Post, David Smernoff, Cameron Smith, Tom Thayer, and Tom Uridel

Agenda Items:

1. Comments from community: None
2. Establish ambiance
3. Elect Officers
4. Establish Standard meeting time/place
5. Emergency preparedness/Radios

#2: The Board discussed the history of the association and recent past practices. The sometimes heated nature of community discourse was noted, especially in regard to issues related to building code/sewers and the water district. There was a general consensus that it was appropriate to set a new tenor in community discourse in order to facilitate rational discussion of topics, even if controversial. Comments included; making a fresh start, healing divisions (within LTW and with VV), creating sufficient structure to tackle tough issues but not create overly formal governance policies. Kim offered her skills as a facilitator to help guide the process and create a strong foundation for working together.

#3: The Board elected the following officers for terms through September 30, 2016

President: Kim Acker

Treasurer: Cam Smith

Secretary: David Smernoff

Emergency Preparedness: Tom Thayer (liaison with CERPP/Steve Friedman)

#4: Portola Town Library and Wed. evenings were agreed on as standard place/time. Likely to hold meetings more frequently for several months then establish a perhaps quarterly schedule or on as needed basis.

#5: Discussed program to offset costs of family service radios. Annual expense of about \$400-500 for upgrades to supplies at command center. Deferred radio program expense until budget information is available.

Action Items:

1. Brief job descriptions for officers (Thayer)
2. Change signatories on accounts (Smith, Acker, Julie Duncan)
3. Send minutes via email (Smernoff)
4. Doodle poll for next meeting, check in with Blue Oaks (Acker, Uridel)

Future Topics:

1. Process for gathering community input
2. Review/update policies, including election process
3. LTW water drainage and fire safety needs
4. Website, review/upgrade
5. Directory update,
6. Coordination with VVCA. General and picnic