

**HOLLYWOOD HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**  
**UNAPPROVED BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**May 10, 2010**  
**Women's Club of Hollywood Lounge**  
**1749 North La Brea Avenue**  
**Los Angeles, CA 90046**

1. **Call to order** by HHWNC President Anastasia Mann.
  
2. **Roll call** by Jennifer Fitzgerald: Anastasia Mann, Orrin Feldman, Michael Meyer, Jennifer Fitzgerald, Wayne Johansson, Thor Lee, Paul Ramsey, Valorie Keegan, Wendy Kneedler-Senior, Barbara Witkin, Daniel Savage, Patricia Weber, PJ Pesce, Cheryl Holland, Donovan Ryan.  
Quorum established.
  
3. **Minutes – (Pesce/Keegan) moved that HHWNC approve the prior March 10, 2010 minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**
  - a.) **Public Official Reports**
    - ii.) **CD4 –Stacy Marble, Field Deputy, Office of Councilmember Tom LaBonge**
  - b.) **Status Updates** from last Meeting
    - i.) Board member issue – Anastasia had a conversation with Paul Woolsey, the board member accused of wrongdoing. She said he is willing to straighten out any problems that may exist.
      - ii.) Save the Peak update: HHWNC voted to send \$5,000 to Councilmember LaBonge's "Save the Peak" campaign to purchase the land adjacent to the Hollywood sign. The land will officially become part of Griffith Park. Contributions from Hugh Hefner and Tiffany and Co. helped to achieve the goal to save that land from development.
      - iii.) Valorie announced the "Exercising Can Be Fun" event on May 15<sup>th</sup>, an intergenerational exercise program.  
A Senior Lead Officer summit will be held in Hollywood on May 12th for stakeholders to speak with the police department about current issues in their division.
  - c.) **Taste of Hollywood**– Tabled.
  - d.) **Baseline Hillside Ordinance** – This issue is scheduled for May 27 at City Hall when the City Planning Commission Meeting will take it up.
  
5. **Vice President's Report**, Orrin Feldman reported that stakeholders in Areas 8 and 9 will be meeting at the City Planning Commission to support a motion, put forth by the Building and Safety Commission, requiring owners of five unfinished homes at the top of Mt. Olympus to tear them down..

Fresh Bite, a sidewalk restaurant in Hollywood, has been sent a letter by the Planning Dept. to comply with a requirement for a 15' setback.

Orrin brought up the issue of an increase in illegal parking on Mulholland Drive by Runyon Canyon, where Areas 2 and 6 come together. He said the Hillsides are being eroded by this parking problem and suggested the new board take up this issue after the election.

6. **Treasurer's Report**, Michael Meyer distributed a handout of his proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2010-11. Received notice from the City, new fiscal year July 1<sup>st</sup>, April 29<sup>th</sup> asked for a new proposed budget by June 10<sup>th</sup>. New board will be elected this week. Need to adopt initial budget. Lost \$107,000 rollover funds from previous years but he thinks they will be able to roll forward some unspent money from this year. Of the last budget there is close to \$33,000 in unspent funds. \$45,000 in funding this past year spent \$13,825. Review of traffic study at Universal, bought NW signs, spent money on website, mail and email, meeting expenses, memberships, postage, brochures, outreach materials, \$5,000 to save Cahuenga Peak, and a beautification project. He anticipates next year's funding to be \$45,000 left. With the rollover funding it would be about \$78,000.

b.) **FY 1010-2011 Annual Budget Adoption: (Meyer/Fitzgerald) moved that HHWNC submit the draft budget to the city as the starting point for the next fiscal year.**" During discussion, Meyer tabled this item to later in the meeting so the budget could reflect any appropriations approved by the Board during the meeting. **The budget, as modified, to not call out specific budget allocations to each Area Committee, passed unanimously.**

7. **Elections, May 13th**– The HHWNC election is set up for May 13<sup>th</sup> at the Hollywood Women's Club. The following candidates are running. Those listed as bold made announcements about their candidacy (all were new candidates):

Anastasia Mann (President), Orrin Feldman (VP), **Khaled Kaawar (Secretary)**, Michael Meyer (Treasurer), **Aaron Rogers (Parliamentarian)**, Wayne Johansson (Issue 1), Brian Johnson (Issue 2), Terry Migliaccio (Issue 3), **Maria Rychlicki (Issue 4)**, **Issue 5 is open**, Valorie Keegan (Issue 6), Alison Connell (Issue 7), Barbara Witkin (Issue 8), **Christopher Kaufman (Issue 9)**, Daniel Savage (Area 1), **Bryce Lowery (Area 2)**, John Mitchell (Area 3), Robin Moreno (Area 3), Paul Woolsey (Area 3), - **Area 4 is open** – Jarone Johnson Jr. (Area 5), **Dietrich Nelson (Area 6)**, **Rebecca Arce (Area 7)**, Donovan Ryan (Area 8), and **Jonathan Sweet (Area 9)**. Anastasia reviewed the write-in policy for the election.

8. **Proposed Septic Systems Ordinance** by Chandra Silaban, Environmental Engineering Associate, City of Los Angeles, and Bureau of Sanitation. Doug Walters from the Department of Sanitation introduced the new proposed septic tank ordinance. Doug said there are some septic systems that are considered "high risk" because of their proximity to a stream and that their ordinance was to protect the environment. He noted that connecting to the city's sewers is very expensive and that this is a tough economic time for many people. They originally scheduled this ordinance to take effect this year but he said they are still getting input on it now.

Chandra then reviewed each aspect of the proposal explaining what would be required.

**Councilmember Tom LaBonge** then joined the meeting and spoke about Council District updates such as the successful Save the Peak campaign to safeguard the section of Hollywood Hills with the Hollywood sign. He then congratulated the members of the current board for their service and gave each member in attendance a certificate of appreciation. Anastasia then announced a special certificate for Peggy Sun, Bruce Gorelick's secretary, for her exceptional work in creating the agendas and taking care of the administration for the HHWNC board.

Chandra then continued with the septic system presentation reviewing their requirements: They want to inspect septic systems once every five years and would require an upgrade permit and fees for any services associates with the updating of the septic systems.

9. **Committee Reports**

a.) **AREA COMMITTEES**

i.) **Area 9:**

Orrin Feldman presented this motion on behalf of John Pogue (who was absent). (Feldman/Keegan) moved, “**Area 9 of the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council requests that the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council Board of Directors vote to recommend to the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (and the LA County DOT, if necessary) that the illuminated signage at bus stop #218 be removed. Bus stop #218 is located in the Mulholland Inner Corridor, a National Scenic Corridor and by ordinance is not permitted. A friendly amendment was made by Feldman replacing “by ordinance is not permitted” to “commercial advertising in this national scenic corridor should not be permitted” and to add “Metro” to the list of those receiving this recommendation.” The motion carried unanimously.**

ii.) **Area 7:**

(Holland/Pesce) moved, “**The Will and Ariel Durant Library is facing major staff and funding reductions in children’s’ services. The Board is asked to approve funding which will allow for a limited continuation of services for the children, which would otherwise be lost, by approving a donation to Friends of Will and Ariel Durant to be specifically earmarked in the following manner:**

1. **Weekly Family Nights/story times throughout the year.**
2. **Additional programs for the children’s section.**
3. **To expand and update the children’s book collection for the well-used and very popular 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade series collection, to enhance and develop the Newberry and Caldecott Award Books, and to update the children’s non-fiction and picture book collections.**

**The cost for items 1 and 2 are \$10,000 and could be expanded with additional funding. Item no. 3 is \$5,000. The motion, as amended, was approved: 9-2-3.**

Cheryl explained that everything would be provided to the parents and children for free among these services. Michael stated that neighborhood councils are now permitted to contribute to 501C3 non profits.

(Holland/Ramsey) moved, “**That the Planning Commission retain the current general plan designation of low-medium density for the 1300 and 1400 blocks of North Fairfax. And, that the proposed zone change for 1352 and 1356 N. Fairfax shall be from R-1 and R-21XL, respectively, to RD1.5-1XLD, with D limitation meaning no more than two stories excluding the subterranean level and that the owner of the proposed development shall honor all previous commitments to sight-line maintenance, privacy, no overhanging balconies and mature plantings between the development and R-1 properties located to the east on Orange Grove Avenue.” The motion carried.**

10. **Public Comments** – Stakeholder, Leigh French, commented on problems with the dog park at Runyon Canyon.

13. **Adjournment: 9:15 p.m.**

**Minutes by Pat Kramer, Kelly Services.**

# FRIENDS OF THE HOLLYWOOD CENTRAL PARK

Invite you to be their guest at



Launch — “Haute Dog” Party

Sunday, June 27, 2010 ~ 6 – 8 P.M.

The Music Box Rooftop

6126 Hollywood Blvd @ Gower, Hollywood

By Invitation Only ~ RSVP by email to [laurielgoldman@earthlink.net](mailto:laurielgoldman@earthlink.net)

Enjoy a Hollywood summer night under the stars with your Friends!

- 🐾 Culinary Emcee Bill Harris
- 🐾 Celebrity Chef Challenge featuring the Gals from Grub, Chef Betty  
Chef Denise DeCarlo, paired with our local elected officials
- 🐾 Musical Entertainment by Timothy Wilson
- 🐾 Haute Dog Bar and Champagne
- 🐾 Delicious “Taste of Hollywood May 2011” details

Parking: \$8.00 @ SW Corner of Hollywood Blvd. & Gower/Street Parking

Attire: Summer Casual

**2010 HOLLYWOOD HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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\_\_\_\_ ISSUE 1: TRAFFIC, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING  
**Wayne C. Johansson**

\_\_\_\_ ISSUE 2: YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATION & RECREATIONAL RESOURCES  
**Brian Johnson**

\_\_\_\_ ISSUE 3: BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING & SUPPORT  
**Terry Migliaccio**

\_\_\_\_ ISSUE 4: INFRASTRUCTURE, PUBLIC & REGULATED RESOURCES & SERVICES  
**Maria Rychlicki**

\_\_\_\_ ISSUE 5: HOUSING & HUMAN SERVICES, REIGIOUS & CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS,  
PLANNING & SUPPORT  
**OPEN**

\_\_\_\_ ISSUE 6: EMERGENCY SERVICES, POLICE & FIRE  
**Valorie Keegan**

\_\_\_\_ ISSUE 7: ENVIRONMENT, BEAUTIFICATION & AESTHETICS  
**Alison Connell**

\_\_\_\_ ISSUE 8: CULTURAL RESOURCES, ENTERTAINMENT, PUBLIC EVENTS & NETWORKING  
**Barbara Witkin**

\_\_\_\_ ISSUE 9: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & OUTREACH  
**Christopher Kaufman**

## **Regional Board Orientation Trainings Continue Thursday, June 10th, and New Training Dates Added!**

Department News - Regional Board Orientation Trainings will continue on Thursday, June 10, 2010, 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Central/Mid-Wilshire area, at Young Oak Kim Academy Middle School, located at 615 S. Shatto Place, Los Angeles, 90005.

The Regional Board Orientation Trainings will allow elected Board members to gain the necessary knowledge, skills and abilities on the neighborhood council system.

The training will feature presentations on the Neighborhood Council System and Board orientation as well as roles and responsibilities of Neighborhood Council Board members. It will also include presentation and discussion on understanding Board dynamics and communication skills and effective Board organization and management. Refreshments (sandwiches/drinks) and parking will be provided. All Board members and stakeholders are invited. To RSVP, please contact our Help Line at (213) 485-1360 or email [NCsupport@lacity.org](mailto:NCsupport@lacity.org).

The following dates and time have also been scheduled for upcoming trainings. Location information will follow soon:

1. Thursday, June 17, 2010, 6pm - East area
2. Saturday, June 26, 2010, 8am - Hollywood/Central area
3. Saturday, July 10, 2010, 8am - South Valley area
4. Saturday, July 17, 2010, 8am - Harbor area
5. Saturday, July 31, 2010, 8am, South area
6. Thursday, August 12, 2010, 6pm - Citywide make-up training.

We hope that the learned information during the Board orientations will assist you in leading your neighborhood to places that people can live, have fun and work. See you then!