

## Minutes of the LVHA Board Meeting

March 16, 2011

**Present were:** Steve Rule, Denis Ford, Dale Miller, Tim Irish and Scott Eichler.

**Approval of Agenda:** Dale Miller moved to approve the agenda. It was seconded by Denis Ford and carried unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:** Denis Ford moved to approve the minutes of the February 2011 meeting. It was seconded by Tim Irish and unanimously approved. As Scott Eichler was absent at the February meeting he abstained.

**Office Manager's Report: Community Center:** There will be a Watershed Committee meeting tomorrow at 7:30pm and the next ARC meeting on Monday, March 21st. The Scottish Fiddlers will begin practicing on Thursday, March 31st and will continue for the next four Thursdays. You are welcome to come down and listen to them rehearse. In light of the events in Japan, the city of San Rafael is having a short disaster preparedness class next Thursday, March 24th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at city hall. There is no cost. **Office:** New paint and carpet has been installed in the office. Upgrading the furniture is being considered. **Landscaping:** Farias Garden Service will be providing an estimate to gravel the rest of the walkway behind the pool. **Community Garden:** The Rotary Village would like to start a community garden near the old basketball court on the closed portion of Idylberry Road to the north of the cottages. Water is available nearby but a water meter must be installed and a fence will be needed. The group must be under the umbrella of a 501c3. They will need members from our HOA and from Marinwood to make this viable. If you are interested please call the LVHA office or John Marino at [john@marinoyoga.com](mailto:john@marinoyoga.com).

**President's Report:** Given by Steve Rule. Steve reminded everyone that his position on the Board and that of Scott Eichler's are up for re-election in May. Steve will not be re-running and neither will Scott due to his business travel commitments. Please consider running for the Board. Statements were due by March 16th but has been extended to March 30th.

**Treasurer's Report:** Given by Denis Ford. Denis reported that the budget is tracking as it should be for the first two months of the year. The Board is expecting some community improvements this year; in particular tiling the restroom floors.

**Committee Reports: Pool Committee:** Given by Maggie McCann. Maggie reported that the new pool signage was installed and the committee would be having a summit meeting soon. Ten applications for guards have been received. The pool is expected to be open in May on weekends.

**Public Improvement Committee:** The committee expects to have the trash containers installed by the end of the month at the street ends entering open space.

**Old Business: Restroom Floor:** The Board received several bids for tile flooring in the restrooms prior to the March Vibration being published. One arrived at a later date. The Board would like more time to review the bids and then make a decision on the project before the next meeting. Therefore a motion was made at this time. **Motion:** Dale Miller moved that an amount not to exceed \$18,500 be approved to tile both restrooms. It was seconded by Tim Irish and unanimously approved.

**New Business: Tennis Committee Approval: Motion:** Dale Miller moved that Ronda Bouyea be approved as a member of the Tennis Committee. It was seconded by Denis Ford and approved unanimously.

**School Parcel Tax:** Andy Hyman and Patrick Hunter gave a presentation on Measure A, the Dixie School Parcel Tax to be voted on in April. This will be a mail only ballot that will arrive in mailboxes approximately April 5 and are due by May 3rd. Dixie School District consists of 3 elementary and one middle school; all four are California Distinguished Schools. They stated that this directly affects property values. This Parcel Tax will be effective for eight years. The measure asks for an increase of \$107 per year in addition to the \$245 currently in effect for a total of \$352 per year per parcel. For the measure to pass it must receive 66.6% support of those that vote. **Motion:** Denis Ford moved that the LVHA Board adopt a resolution that allows them to make a statement supporting Measure A. It was seconded by Scott Eichler and unanimously approved.

Dale Miller gave an update on **Senate Bill 375** that requires areas throughout California to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution from cars and trucks. The Metropolitan Transportation

Commission has issued a call for projects to meet the requirements of SB 375. Funds will be awarded to the counties in the Bay Area to implement the projects that are selected.

The Transportation Authority of Marin (TAM) is seeking input for projects to submit to the MTC. Much of the focus of the goals for reducing greenhouse gases and air pollution is to reduce the number of vehicle miles travelled. One approach that is being mentioned is to increase the density of the residential areas of Marin. This could mean more second units and conversion of existing homes to duplexes. Increasing the density in Lucas Valley could dramatically change the character of our community.

Another project approach for meeting the goals for GHG and air pollution reduction is to promote the use of electric vehicles. Since these vehicles produce no emissions, a project to assist the cities, towns, and counties in Marin to purchase electric vehicles for their fleets and to install charging stations to promote the use of electric vehicles by the drivers in Marin could meet the goals of SB 375 without severely affecting the housing density.

TAM is seeking community input on which projects to support. TAM will host a public workshop on Saturday, March 26, 2011 from 12 noon - 3 PM at 618 B Street in San Rafael. Lunch will be provided. The public is welcome to attend this meeting.

Comments can be sent by email to Supervisor Susan Adams at [sadams@co.marin.ca.us](mailto:sadams@co.marin.ca.us) Supervisor Adams is a member of the TAM Board of Commissioners.

**Items from Homeowners:** A homeowner mentioned that someone related to the horse pastures is riding a gas scooter and storing it in the hay barn which could be dangerous. The Board will notify the Horseowners Committee.

Another homeowner resents the Association spending money and the Business Manager spending time on a Cute Dog Contest that was announced in the March Vibration. A Board member felt that it built a sense of community.

Ron Marinoff noted that he had just come from the meeting at the Marinwood Community Center where 80 people attended a meeting to discuss and share information regarding **Rocking H Ranch 2**. There is a plan in the works to develop the south side of Lucas Valley Road and west of Mt. McKinley. The potential development consists of about 34 homes.

**Adjournment:** Dale Miller moved to adjourn the Board Meeting. It was seconded by Denis Ford and unanimously approved.