

Minutes of the LVHA Board Meeting

April 21, 2011

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

Approval of Agenda: Denis Ford moved to approve the agenda. It was seconded by Tim Irish and carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Dale Miller moved to approve the minutes of the March 2011 meeting. It was seconded by Scott Eichler and unanimously approved.

Office Manager's Report: Community Center: The Scottish Fiddlers are rehearsing for two more Thursdays; April 21st and 28th. Residents are welcome to come listen to them.

Pool: The pool will be open weekends in May from 1 – 6PM. **Miscellaneous:** A resident's dog was poisoned by rat poison last week after eating something while walking in the hills. This occurred in the Mt. Lassen/Mt. Tenaya area. The vet did not feel that it ate a poisoned rat but rather the poison itself to have such an acute reaction. He survived but the bill was ~ \$4000. Please do not use rat poison but rather the rat zapper to get rid of rats.

Community Garden: The Rotary Village is moving ahead with plans to start a community garden near the old basketball court on the closed portion of Idylberry Road. If you are interested please call the LVHA office or John Marino at john@marinoyoga.com.

President's Report: Given by Steve Rule. Steve reminded everyone to vote on the Dixie School District Measure A to extend and add to the school tax.

He also reminded residents to vote for new LVHA board members. Ballots went out with the April *Valley Vibration* and are due by the next meeting of May 18th.

Treasurer's Report: Given by Denis Ford. Denis reported that the budget is in fine shape for the first quarter of the year. Membership dues are slightly down compared to last year. This may be due to \$2200 that is not collectible on a foreclosure. The taxes and financial statements for 2010 should arrive this week from the accountant.

Committee Reports: CSA 13 Report: Given by Ron Marinoff. Ron reported that CSA 13 funds paid to remove several trees in Open Space and the creek where they were threatening homes or fences. There are two more trees in question but the ownership of these areas of the creek will have to be established before public money can be spent on private property.

Public Improvement Committee: Given by Gary Scharlach. Gary noted that the committee has requested the purchase of 4 trash cans for the more used entrances to open space and doggie bag holders. They have also recommended benches for the restrooms to be in place after the floor is tiled.

Pool Committee: Given by Maggie McCann. Maggie reported that the pool will be open in May on weekends from 1 – 6 PM (weather permitting). The committee will have a meeting in the first week of May with guard interviews following shortly thereafter. The committee will take inventory of the furniture and umbrellas to determine additional purchases needed.

Cable TV and Internet Committee: Given by John Applegarth. John noted that there have been several concerns of late regarding the LVC internet speeds. The committee will schedule a meeting in the near future to discuss the cable and internet system. See further discussion under New Business.

Old Business: Restroom Floor: Several bids were received to tile the restroom floors and have been compared. Bids from plumbers have also been received to remove toilets and reinstall after the tiling. Dale Miller noted that portable toilets would be an additional expense as they were not included in estimate but Steve Rule thought that one of the estimates includes that item even though it does not state so in the estimate. Most bids include a separate amount for epoxy grout which is highly recommended for a restroom floor. Steve suggested that the contractors be apprised of the fact that each restroom has to

be done separately so that one could be used at all times. A member of the audience also suggested that the tile be checked for code requirements for a restroom floor. Since a motion was passed at the March meeting approving up to \$18,500 for the project it will be schedule for early May as soon as the above questions are answered.

New Business: Tennis Committee: Herman Chin explained that the committee is looking at making repairs to the gates and locks on both upper and lower courts. They will have proposals at the next board meeting. He also noted that the upper courts are beginning to fail with cracks. He said they were fine for the short term and that the committee would reevaluate them in the next three to five years. The Reserve Study will be reviewed for the schedule of tennis court repairs. The committee feels that the backboard is an asset and is used by members so they are looking to repair the backboard and to properly secure it to the fence.

The committee has been rewriting the rules (that have not been updated since 1996) and have submitted a draft to the Board but will continue to finesse them and resubmit to the Board in May for review and approval.

A homeowner stated that he was asked to leave the courts due to the court being reserved for league practice. Two members of the Tennis Committee stated that no league practices are reserved or scheduled and the homeowner should not have been asked to leave. League members practicing must follow the general tennis court rules and an LVHA homeowner must be present at all times. Only league matches are reserved and never more than three courts at one time.

Cable TV and Internet System:

John Applegarth reported that there has been a rapid rise, not expected this quickly, in the number of residents streaming video over the Internet and that this is slowing down the system especially at peak times. He reported that LVC is now in the process of purchasing equipment to add bandwidth to alleviate this problem. LVC's current contract with LVHA expires in 2013. The LVHA system is older technology and LVHA will have to decide how to proceed in the future; whether to upgrade the system or abandon it altogether.

He reported that AT&T does not deliver consistent DSL speeds and Uverse is not available to all residences so the choices are limited for top bandwidth speeds.

Another consideration is that the CC&Rs will have to be modified if LVHA is to abandon the system. LVHA will need to eliminate the provision that states LVHA must provide basic TV channels to homes.

The Committee will schedule a meeting in the near future in the form of a forum to discuss the cable and internet system.

Items from Homeowners: A homeowner asked that the Board discuss the fence at Dixie School running along Idylberry adjacent to the field which is warped and an eyesore. She felt that something more pleasing could be constructed or have it removed completely. The fence was constructed about ten years ago when children were driving their cars onto the field thereby causing deep ruts. She hoped that this was a passing phase.

Gary Scharlach reported that he attended the meeting at the Rotary Village to discuss the possibility of organizing a community garden just north of the cottages. He stated that there was considerable interest. There would be no cost to LVHA (but that there would be a fee for each plot). The Terra Linda garden has a three year waiting list so this would be a great opportunity to get in on the ground floor and to have it so nearby.

Adjournment: Denis Ford moved to adjourn the Board Meeting. It was seconded by Tim Irish and unanimously approved.