

Minutes of the LVHA Board Meeting  
July 20, 2011

**Present were:** Denis Ford, Dale Miller, Greg Stilson. **Absent:** Tim Irish, Greg Kamman.

**Approval of Agenda:** Greg Stilson moved to approve the agenda. It was seconded by Dale Miller and unanimously approved.

**Approval of Minutes:** Greg Stilson moved to approve the minutes of the June meeting. It was seconded by Dale Miller and unanimously approved.

**Guest Speaker:** Tom Lai, Marin County Principle Planner. Mr. Lai gave a brief description of the Extenet proposal to install three utility poles on Idylberry; two within LVHA. One is proposed at the corner of Mt. Susitna and one at the corner of Mt. Rainier. The cell phone signal would go wirelessly from the house to the poles and then underground to the host equipment. He explained that the application is not complete as of this date and they have asked Extenet to provide additional information necessary to complete the application. When the application is complete the Planning Department will then look at the merits of the project including the potential for visual blight and the unusual zoning in this community. They can also ask if this is the only alternative. Mr. Lai explained that this project would go before the Board of Supervisors as this is a project that requires Master Plan changes and zoning code changes.

On the Federal level there has been talk of streamlining these types of projects whereby the County could not intervene in the matter. The PUC could overrule the County. As it is now, one cannot use electro magnetic fields as a basis of complaint.

A member of the audience asked why the County would issue an encroachment permit to install cable under the street not knowing if the balance of the project would be permitted. Mr. Lai explained that there are two types of permits: a ministerial permit and a discretionary permit. An encroachment permit is a ministerial permit and cannot be denied if the application is complete. The installation of poles would fall under the discretionary permit type. He said Extenet was advised of the fact that there is no guarantee of approval of pole installation at the time of the encroachment permit application.

Another homeowner wanted to know what the community could do to convince the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors that they do not want this project to go through. Tom Lai stated that letters to Neal Osborne, Planner and the Board of Supervisors were of great help. He also mentioned the importance of attending the planning hearings when they are scheduled.

Several homeowners wondered why they could not install equipment at the same location as Sprint since Sprint works fine in the valley. Extenet had committed to send a representative to the August meeting. Since that meeting will not be held, Extenet will be asked to send a representative to a future meeting. The community will be notified when the planned Extenet Information Fair for this project will be held.

**Office Manager's Report: Community Center:** The July 4th festivities at the pool were very successful with games and a BBQ. One of the most popular games was greased watermelon races. Thank you to the guards who did a great job organizing the day. The next Friday night BBQ is July 29th at 6pm. **Office:** Third quarter statements were sent out. We have opened a new account at Union Bank, a 12 month CD. We now have air conditioning in the office. Thank you to some persistent board members. The office furniture is on hold as I have been extremely busy with other office duties such as fielding

hundreds of emails regarding the Extenet project. **Pool News:** New pool furniture ordered arrived just in time for the July 4th weekend. Three tables, a dozen chairs and 4 chaise lounge chairs. And thank you to Greg Stilson and firefighter volunteers who unpacked and put them together on very short notice. I also purchased several new umbrellas and a new supply of swim diapers. Two new sets of filter cartridges for the main pool filter system were ordered. They have been installed. Janitorial supplies are now being ordered and purchased by the office. **Miscellaneous:** The trash receptacles and doggie bag holders ordered are now in place at most open space entrances at the dead end streets. Please use them when walking your pets. **Community Garden:** Plans for a community garden on the north side of the Rotary Village are moving ahead. If interested please let me know and I will put you in touch with the organizer.

**President's Report:** Given by Denis Ford. Denis thanked Tom Lai for coming to our meeting on such last minute notice. He also thanked the community for their involvement and volunteerism on this issue. Denis reported that he did a quick walk-through of the community center with a contractor detailing small projects that needed to be taken care of soon.

**Treasurer's Report:** None.

**Committee Reports:**

**Public Improvement Committee:** Given by Ron Marinoff. Ron asked that the Board approve the committee getting estimates for plans to re-landscape the upper courts and the corner by the toddler playground. The committee also recommends having the parking lot repaved; not just a slurry seal. It was suggested that this not be done before the pool is replastered.

**Pool Committee:** Given by Maggie McCann. Maggie noted that the 4th of July was great fun for all with many new families joining in the fun. Scott Williams, head guard is giving a free swim analysis to members on Wednesdays and Fridays from 1 – 2 PM and Thursday and Saturdays he is offering water aerobics from 1 – 2 PM for \$5. The County Inspector paid us a surprise visit and both pools met all requirements including the VGB upgrades.

**Ad Hoc Committee: Extenet Poles.** Given by Eric Forbes. Eric reported that to date volunteers have collected over 160 signature on a petition requesting that the County not give approval to Extenet to install utility poles on Idylberry Road. Many have written letters to the County Planning Department and volunteered to help. He requested that if you have not written to Neal Osborne to please do so soon. New information from the County arrived today and will be up on the website by tomorrow.

**Tennis Committee:** Given by Herman Chin. Herman reported that the gates and locks would be replaced on Thursday, July 21st. If you need the new code please call a committee member or the office.

**CSA13:** Ron Marinoff reported that most homeowners abutting open space have cut their firebreaks and he thanked all who did. He also noted that if you see smoke don't ignore it and assume someone else has called 911.

**Old Business:**

**Tennis Fees:** Herman reported that the fee of \$25 for non-members would be forthcoming with the new teams. The business manager was asked to contact Carlos Lamas and Ronda Bouyea to ask that they remit the money that has been collected to date.

**Corner Lot at Mt. Shasta and Lucas Valley Road:** Dale Miller reported that the County has agreed to make the necessary arrangements to have this lot maintained in the future.

Susannah Clark, aide to Supervisor Adams, will be identifying a contact for maintenance of this property.

**New Business:**

**Landscaping:** The Public Improvement Committee has been looking at areas in need of landscaping improvements. **Motion:** Dale Miller moved that the Committee secure three estimates to have plans drawn up to re-landscape the upper courts and the corner lot adjacent to the toddler playground and that repaving of the parking lot be delayed until a landscape plan is developed. It was seconded by Greg Stilson and unanimously approved.

**Recycling at the Community Center:** There was a discussion about the lack of recycling capability at the Community Center. Much of the waste and recyclable material is generated during swim meets. Several homeowners spoke in favor of recycling at the community center. Additional research into recycling will be done before the next Board meeting.

**CC&Rs:** The CC&Rs were re-written in 2002 after a lengthy effort by the community. However new laws have since come into effect that may affect our CC&Rs. The Board would like to designate a separate committee to look into amending the CC&Rs if necessary. Shelley Munson and Dale Miller volunteered to be on the committee.

**Use of the Pool:** The Masters Program has been paying Eric Whitten to use the pool but he is no longer coach so Board Members requested that this item be reviewed at the next meeting.

**Items from Homeowners:** A homeowner asked that the Board look into having a new sign made for the Association. The old stencils on the front of the building are a disgrace. Something new and modern that will last without upkeep needs to replace it. Shelley Munson volunteered to look into it and report back at the next meeting in September with some ideas. Ron Marinoff stated that he had sent pictures of ideas to the ARC a year ago but does not know what came of them.

A guard asked that the diving board be brought back. That perhaps the pool could be deepened when it is re-plastered. But Janice explained that it was not just the depth but also the length of the deep end that precludes any company selling us a diving board. A past board member looked into this when the old one was removed.

**Adjournment of Board Meeting:** The Board meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM.