

**Granada Hills North Neighborhood Council
Board Meeting
Monday, February 22, 2010 6:00 pm
Van Gogh Elementary School**

- 1) **Call to Order** at 6:08 pm by Leon Marzillier, GHNNC President. **Roll Call:** (Quorum established with 15 board members): **Present:** Sue DeVandry, Neysa Frechette, Rafael Garcia, Michael Greenwald, Bill Hopkins, Wayde Hunter, Ralph Kroy, Agnes Lewis, William E. Lillenberg, Scott Manatt, Leon Marzillier, Ray Pollock, Eric Rosenberg, Jan Subar Joe Vitti. Two members came in late: Sid Gold, Anne Zilliak. **Absent:** Mary Ellen Crosby, Gary Holmen, Josh Jordahl, Claudio Saavedra. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Alliance was recited. **Chair Comments:** Leon Marzillier noted the procedures for public comment and general participation in the Board Meeting. Also noted this would be a short meeting to make time for the Candidate Forum for the upcoming elections.
- 2) **Approval of January 25, 2010 Board Meeting Minutes:** Minor corrections were made. **Motion to approve** carried by unanimous vote (15-0-0).
- 3) **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:**
 - a) **Special Guest:** John Bwarie from Councilman Greig Smith's office, spoke about the dire financial situation of the City, and summarized some of the City Council hearings on a likely reorganization of DONE (Department of Neighborhood Empowerment). No specific information was yet available regarding the fate of the neighborhood councils' rollover funds from previous years. He suggested interested parties should watch the hearings on TV cable channels, or check out archived hearings at lacity.org. There are 13 neighborhood councils in CD12 (Council District 12).
- 4) **Finance Officer's Report** (Pollok): no news (other than already covered by Bwarie).
- 5) **Treasurer's Report** (Rosenberg): The GHNNC is essentially out of money – there are less than \$3,000 left for the balance of this fiscal year if the \$91k in rollover funds is not going to be available. Per instructions from DONE, all petty cash will be discontinued at the end of the month, and the final petty cash reconciliation turned in by 3/31. Joe Vitti pointed out that according to the city hearings, some of the rollover funds may be made available if we can justify either that there was an approved project, as shown by the Minutes, for which we were setting aside money; or that we had made commitments or signed contracts, again as shown by the Minutes, predicated on the availability of those funds. A report with backup proof and information should be turned over to DONE at the earliest possible date, as the rollover funds likely would be given out on a first-come first-served basis.
- 6) **Census 2010** (Headington): There will be a couple of policy events March 13 or 14th; he will email the information. Given our budget problems, probably the best we could do is to put out Census signs. Census forms will be mailed out by mid month and are due back April 1st. After that, the Census "walkers" will try to get the information from those who have not returned the form.
- 7) **Valley Water Expo** (Glenn Bailey was not present, but sent word). This will be an event on April 22, for which they request our support. They are not asking for money, just publicity and our endorsement. **Motion** (Vitti): That the GHNNC co-sponsor the event and help publicize it. **Carried 14-0-2.** Hopkins remarked that there is a \$1 per square foot rebate for replacing lawns, but some of this is lost if the homeowner touches the parkway, because that requires a \$500 permit.
- 8) **Agenda Item 8**, (Rosenberg) is withdrawn. Rosenberg discovered that the City Clerk and the City Attorney are mistakenly using the May version of our Bylaws, not the version approved in August by DONE; therefore the proposed Motion does not make sense and is withdrawn.
- 9) **Committee Reports:**
 - a) **Planning and Land Use** (Zilliak): The process for approval of the historic overlay for Balboa Highlands is at the last steps toward completion. Clear Wireless (Sprint)'s application to add antennas to the monopine cell tower at the Methodist Church at 12121 Balboa Blvd. has been officially withdrawn. The Conditional Use Permit for the Chevron Station at the corner of

Balboa Blvd. and Rinaldi St. has been approved, allowing them to sell refrigerated beer under conditions similar to those of the other gas stations at that corner.

b) Outreach Committee (DeVandry): The Candidate Preparation meeting by DONE will take place on Thursday, February 25, in spite of budget issues and the uncertainties about the possible reorganization of DONE. (6:30 to 8:30 at San Jose Elementary school in Mission Hills). Outreach events last week at Albertsons Market and HOWS Market resulted in 30 new names for our mailing list. There was discussion about adding another event for the weekend of the 27th at Trader Joe's or Von's.

c) Citywide Issues Committee (Vitti, substituting for Gold): **Motion:** That the GHNNC recommend that the Neighborhood Councils be invited to participate in selecting the next General Manager of LADWP, and that this GHNNC recommendation be sent to all appropriate parties for their information and action. **Motion passed 15-1-0.** Comment by Lillenberg that the DWP should be encouraged to promote from within. There was general agreement.

10) Board Member Comments: LAPD Senior Lead Office Janine Angeles arrived at the meeting and was invited to speak. She advised all to keep records of serial numbers of their valuables, as that is the only way that they can be returned if recovered by the LAPD; and it also helps in prosecuting the criminals. Also advised people to engrave their California driver's license number on their valuables. On another note, the medical marijuana dispensary at Chatsworth St. and White Oak Ave. was in the process of being closed due to the new ordinances passed by the City Council, but the owner sold it at the last minute, and the process is restarting.

11) The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 pm, to allow time for the Candidate Forum immediately following.

Board Member	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Spl Aug	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
	1/26	2/23	3/30	4/27	6/1	6/29	7/27	6/24	8/31	10/5	10/26	11/30	12/28	1/25	2/22	3/29
Pat Casparian	X	A	A	A	A	A	Withdrawn as member									
Jonalyn Cooper	A	Withdrawn as member														
Mary Ellen Crosby	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	A	A	X	A	A	
Michael Deering	X	A	X	A	A	Withdrawn as member										
Sue De Vandry	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Neysa Frechette	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	A	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Rafael Garcia	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	A	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	
Sid Gold	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	L	L	
Michael Greenwald	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Bill Hopkins			Newly elected				X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Wayde Hunter	X	X	L	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Gary Holmen	Newly elected				X	L	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	A	
Joshua Jordahl	L	X	L	A	L	L	X	X	X	L	X	L	X	L	A	
Ralph Kroy			Newly elected				X	A	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Skip Leifer	X	X	A	X	X	X	X			withdrawn as member						
Agnes Lewis	Newly elected				X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
William Lillenberg	X	X	X	A	A	X	A	A	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	
Scott Manatt	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Leon Marzillier	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	
Ray Pollok	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Eric Rosenberg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Claudio Saavedra	Newly elected									X	X	A	X	A	A	
Steven Smith	Newly elected				X	X	X	A	X	X	X	A	A			withdra
Jan Subar	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	A	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	
Mil Tossoun	A	A	A	Dismissed as member												
Natasha Vetlugin	X	X	A	X	A	A	Withdrawn as member									
Joe Vitti	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Kathy Wagenbach	A	A	Withdrawn as member													
Anne Zliak	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	X	L	
Present Count	20	17	17	17	18	19	17	15	17	22	22	18	19	18	17	
Not regularly scheduled date																
Absent	A															
Excused	E															
Late	L															
Yes	Y															
No	N															
Attended	X															