

2019-07-11_SSNA-Meeting-Minutes_FLYNN

1. Call to Order (President) 7:13pm by Conrad. Conrad, Daniel, and Kathy present, along with community members Jonah Bliss, Jen Hengst, and Ilana Foglia.
2. Approval of Minutes for May 1, 2019 and June 5, 2019 Kathy moves to approve the May minutes. Approved 3/0/0. Conrad moves to approve the June minutes. Approved. 2/0/1
3. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items. Jonah discussed concern about signalized intersections, and longer walk times if button not pushed, particularly at Wilshire/Mansfield and Wilshire/La Brea , and improving signalization on Mansfield.

Ilana said a homeless person tried to move into her backyard tonight. Previously someone built a structure with wood in their backyard.

Conrad shared that police do not see anything posted on NextDoor.

4. Officer and Committee Reports
 - A. Land Use Committee (C. Starr) Concern about state bill such as SB50, which failed. SB330 and another bill, possibly SB627, are trying to do similar things. Conrad would like others to get involved and help with land use. Daniel suggests we send a letter to our representatives after we review the bills. Conrad asks the attending board members their feelings about sending a timely email without calling an emergency meeting. Kathy feels that if it is disseminating information as opposed to taking a stand, it would be ok. Jonah would be wary about disseminating propaganda email without vetting it. Daniel feels we should include a disclaimer that the board hasn't taken a position on the issue, and we are encouraging them to take a look at the issue on their own. We agree that Conrad would not be overstepping to share an email as long as a disclaimer is included.

If interested in proposed project at Northwest corner of Wilshire and La Brea where hotels and apartments/condos will replace existing storefronts there will be a community forum on July 16th. Conrad points out that that neighborhood doesn't have a neighborhood association of their own.

- i. Firestone Brewpub – 800 S La Brea Ave (updates provided by email; rep unavailable) Currently sidewalk and single land closed on La Brea. July 10th -17th they are demolishing roof, July 22-31 concrete slab pour. The board will extend an invitation to them to join us at our August meeting.

- B. Treasurer's Report (D. Brook)

No money has been spent lately. Daniel wants to begin planning for fundraising now to begin in Sep/Oct. Discussed David's proposal to sell tchotkes or Daniel's preference is to make up nice flyers to distribute to the neighborhood asking for \$10. Conrad states that businesses should be included in fundraising efforts. Conrad suggests a GoFundMe.

5. Community Meeting Reports

A. Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (C. Starr)

Committees meet once a month and are a great way to get more involved in the community. On Monday, 7pm at Marlborough School, Metro will be at the GWNC Transportation Committee meeting to talk about Crenshaw extension which is being considered for La Brea.

B. Community-Police Advisory Board (C. Starr)

Crime is down in every category except for burglaries from motor vehicles.

Daniel has been witnessing an incredible rise in shoplifting in the last months because the police won't even come if it's not at least \$500 worth of stuff. Conrad shares that there is a new captain of the Wilshire district who wants to increase outreach to the businesses. Conrad encourages businesses to report online to increase statistics which could lead to policy change. Daniel feels as a neighborhood voice we should express our concern about the significant rise in shoplifting.

6. Unfinished Business

A. Illegal Yard Sale

Daniel and Kathy fill community members in on illegal yard sale on Sycamore and Olympic. Business is considered finished and will be removed from Unfinished Business unless something changes.

B. Board Vacancies – 1 for 2018-2020, 1 for 2017-2019. Jen Hengst expresses interest in a board position.

7. New Business

A. 2019 Annual Meeting – Discussion of Date and Format

Street closure on Orange or private yard are possibilities. Conrad would like to move it back to September. Daniel suggests third week of September if it doesn't conflict with Jewish holidays. Conrad proposes Sunday, September 22nd. Jen would like to see something fun, and enjoyed the vibe of the meeting 2 years ago at Firestone.

Conrad will send emails to residents to gauge support for closing the 800 block of Orange.

Conrad moves that the SSNA will hold its 2019 Annual Meeting and elections on September 22, 2019 on the 800 block of Orange, and will budget \$200 for preliminary expenses for the event.

Approved 3/0/0.

Community members Jonah, Jen and Ilana all agree to be part of the planning for the Annual Meeting.

Conrad appoints everyone at tonight's meeting to the Annual Meeting committee.

8. Board Comments & Announcements

Conrad discusses emergency radio network and community emergency response team. Daniel suggests a Walkie Talkie Scavenger Hunt at the Annual Meeting.

Bike event at Fairfax High this Sunday, July 14th.

9. Scheduling of SSNA August 2019 Meeting

Meeting scheduled for August 1st at 7pm.

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:47pm.