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Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 14, 2017
4:00 pm ~ 1469 East Valley Road

APPROVED MINUTES

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Present: Abatemarco, Babich, Blue, Bridley, Eagleton, Eidelson, Ghersen, Hayman, Hyatt, Kay, King, Kolb, Mathews, Nagel, Saltoun, van Duinwyk
Absent: Budgor

I. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum ~ Called to order at 4:05 p.m.

II. Public Comment for Items Not on Agenda

Brian Banks, of Siemens Planning for the Montecito Family YMCA reported that they held a neighborhood outreach meeting and plan to continue public outreach for feedback on their project. They will present a revised project to County Planning and Development and the Association's Land Use Committee in the next couple of weeks.

III. Approval of Minutes ~ January 10, 2016

MSC van Duinwyk/Saltoun, unanimous (Ghersen abstained).

IV. Community Reports

Tammy Murphy, Superintendent of Montecito Union School reported that the school has been selected to receive a Federal level Green Award on March 3, 2017. Kate Murphy, Board Trustee was in attendance.

Chief Hickman, Montecito Fire Protection District stressed the importance of being prepared for the predicted rain event next week. The district has staffed up for the expected heavy rains. Encouraged participation in the "Aware & Prepare" emergency notification program.

Nick Turner, General Manager of Montecito Water District reported on the District entering into an exchange agreement with Metropolitan Water District of Southern California to protect 7,000 acre feet of water stored in San Luis Reservoir. Phase I of desalination terms will be discussed at their February 21, 2017 meeting. The Urban Water Management Plan is nearing completion with board review and additional public input. The Sustainable Ground Water Management Act is in the beginning planning stages. A public meeting will be on March 2, 2017, 6 p.m. at El Montecito Presbyterian Church. Additional information is on their website at: ww.montecitowater.com. Hayman stressed the importance of public input during this process.

V. President's Report

Acknowledge Sybil Rosen – Nagel presented a community support award to Sybil Rosen.

Budget - Nagel thanked everyone for their work on the proposed budget.

Membership Outreach-Nagel thanked Babich for her diligence with membership and outreach.

Shop Local Initiative-Nagel reported that the Association is kicking off a "shop local" initiative.

VI. Conference Agenda

- A. *Consider Comments to the Montecito Planning Commission Regarding the Proposed All Saints Episcopal Church Proposed Conditional Use Permit Amendment* ~ Hayman provided background on the Land Use Committee's recommendation to approve a letter in support of the project. A motion to approve was formed. MSC, Eagleton/Blue, unanimous.
- B. *Consider Comments to the Montecito Planning Commission Regarding the 2017 P&D Work Program* ~ Hayman provided background on two items the Land Use Committee wanted included in the program, Architectural Guidelines and the preservation of specimen trees. Marc Chytilo and Evan Aptaker spoke in support of the tree ordinance and on behalf of Save Mont Eucs. A motion to approve the draft letter was formed. MSC, Abatemarco/van Duinwyk, unanimous.
- C. *Consider the Appointment of Mike Lee, Regular Member, and Carolee Krieger, an Ad Hoc Member of the Land Use Committee* ~ MSC, Blue/Mathews, unanimous.
- D. *Consider Adoption of Proposed Budget for 2017* ~ MSC, Saltoun/van Duinwyk, unanimous.

VII. Committee Reports

Events-King reported that the Committee has met and has started the planning process for the Village 4th of July Celebration. There will be another meeting next week.

History-Kolb reported that work continues on the stone wall preservation project. The archives have been assisting with family history research. Digitization of the archives continues to be reviewed.

Land Use-Hayman reported that in addition to the items on the Conference Agenda, the Committee plans to address pedestrian and traffic safety along the 1400 block of East Valley Road and the possibility of a pedestrian path along Channel Drive next month.

Outreach-Babich reported that efforts continue to acquire membership emails. An email membership renewal notice was sent out and a letter will follow. A letter targeted to the top level members will be sent and help with personalization is requested. There will be a targeted letter and window decals for businesses promoting "shop local" in an effort to triple business participation with the Association. She attended the Coast Village Business Association meeting this month.

Transportation-Ghersen reported that comments on the Draft Revised Environmental Impact Report for the 101 HOV Project was mailed to the Department of Transportation on January 31, 2017. The Committee is monitoring this and parallel projects affecting Montecito. Follow-up continues with Mr. Naiman about traffic and bicycle safety issues at East Valley, Sheffield and Romero Canyon Roads.

VIII. Executive Director's Report

Greene thanked those who have helped with the annual membership mailing which has been the main focus this month. Additional Board assistance is requested to personalize letters.

IX. New Business – Nothing to report

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XI. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 14, 2017, 4 p.m.