

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Monday April 18, 2011 @ 1:00 pm

Minutes

Attendees: Dusty Bowenkamp, President
Bill Hansen, Vice President
Mary McGrath, Secretary
Susan Lewis, Treasurer
Lu Gay, Parliamentarian

Larry Woods
Lou Annacone
Mike Trent
Merlyn Carlson

Connie Scott, Executive Director

Absent: Doug Rhodes

1. Call to order. Pledge of Allegiance. Dusty Bowenkamp
2. Establish a quorum Dusty Bowenkamp
3. Welcome to residents, guests and press. Dusty Bowenkamp
4. Minutes of March 21, 2011 were approved as written Dusty Bowenkamp

5. **Executive Director's Report** Connie Scott

Dusty, Robbie, Terry, and I received an award for our participation in the TORCH program which was presented at the March Rec Centers Governing Board Meeting.

I attended a Household Hazardous Waste meeting with Maricopa County, the Posse, and Sun City West Fire Department and met Walt Patterson from SCHOA. Walt agreed to split half of the food expense with PORA.

I scheduled the Rec Centers parking lot for the electronics waste disposal that Larry Woods coordinated.

The Rec Centers have requested a PowerPoint presentation on the 2011/2012 CC&R budget for their May 13th workshop.

Marie and George installed a new server for our computers

CC&Rs

CC&Rs had 63 new issues, 73 resolved issues, 48 open issues, and 25 plan reviews.

Membership

We had a total of 113 new members sign up in March. Membership had 2033 calls and walk-ins and \$135.00 in donations.

Consumer Services

In March there were 1123 calls & walk ins, 21 compliments and no formal complaints.

Visitors Center

Broke the record since Robbie has been on staff - 1,864 visitors. The video was shown 107 times, 160 videos were given away, 38 tours, and 88 Where to Retire mailings.

Marketing

Marketing had a very good month for a total of \$11,725.00 for Business & Professional sales. Gayle worked with George on the new database and created a new Employment Application for PORA.

Life Expanding Lessons

As the spring semester comes to a close we had a total of 210 students who registered for our fee-paying classes. 132 Students attended two of our free headliner sessions, Dr. Jasser on the Muslim subject and Sidney Rittenberg on China.

The Race track event and Baseball class hit the max and was a new innovation for our classes. Fall semester is scheduled to begin the week of October 17th.

6. **Financials**

Susan Lewis

No Written report. We elected to move the \$36,465.44 over to Mutual of Omaha, because we want to stay under the FDIC limits, leaving us fully insured. Our budget revenues are above targeted amounts and expenditures are under budget at this time.

7. **Bingo**

Dusty Bowenkamp

With only 3 weeks of Bingo in March we had 1,135 numbers of players. After expenses checking account total balance as of 3/31/2011 was \$28,222.16.

8. **Government Affairs**

Bill Hansen

We are currently concerned about **SB 2558 Landlord Tenant; utilities; security deposit (NOW: rental property; restrictions prohibited)** sponsored by Jack Harper. It will affect any condo associations filed under Chapter 33. Our main concern is that a commercial interest could come in and buy up units and rent them out and SCW might lose control of our community. Much like the Parking Bill tried to do. Representative Burges seeing our concerns, put a hold on the bill, but Representative Jack Harper went to the Senate and got support to do a strike over. I will be putting something in the PORA email Newsletter advising the community who to contact, as we have gotten nowhere with Mr. Harper. There are also two more bills that give us concern, **SB 1467 educational institution; concealed weapons**, which is opposed by colleges, universities, and police. Last is **SB 1593 health insurance; interstate purchase**, this is a health bill that will allow insurance companies to remove coverage for certain diseases, such as cancer, from their coverage at will. One concern to be watched is the Medicaid Bed Tax appropriation issue that relates to the \$160,000 in Medicaid funds. We will keep you abreast as the debate continues.

9. **Water Rate Committee**

Bill Hansen

Anthem community will no longer appear on Arizona American Water Co. records as part of SCW waste water system.

10. **Life Expanding Lessons**

Bill Hansen

We had 342 enrolled in LEL classes and lectures this spring semester. Our goal for the year total is 450 to 500. That should make LEL self supporting.

11. **Health & Environment**

Mary McGrath

Summer is on the way. Please take necessary precaution in the hot weather by drinking plenty of fluids to prevent heat stroke. Both of the recent recycling events had a lot of participation from the community. Thanks to Larry Woods that did all of the leg work. All eight pollution monitoring flags are now in use for Peoria schools. The pollution levels that are represented by the flags are mostly recorded many miles away from the schools, so that members of the JETF believe that the flags could be misleading. Local pollution might not be the same as that where the pollution is monitored. It might be excessive at the school, but acceptable in Central Phoenix. If that were the case, it could give the schools a false sense of security.

12. **Water/Traffic**

Merlyn

TRAFFIC REPORT

The Roads, Safety and Traffic Committee meeting held March 30, 2011 was well attended by 8 committee members, 2 representatives from MCDOT, 3 representatives from ADOT and 37 guests. The meeting was chaired by Chairman Bob Jones and Jo-Anne Jones recorded the meeting minutes.

The committee heard reports from representatives from MCDOT, ADOT and the SCW Posse. The bulk of the meeting focused upon the Loop 303 noise walls and the impact to Sun City West. Much concern was expressed that even though the section passing by SCW is not due for completion to 6 lanes until 2019-2021, noise levels already are of concern and with the opening next month of the section from Happy Valley Road to I-17, the issue will do nothing but get worse. Brock Barnhart of ADOT gave a background of Loop 303. It basically came about as a result of the Regional Transportation Plan developed by MAG (Maricopa Association of Governments). Voters approved the ½ cent sales tax extension for road development in 2004. As a result MAG was able to use the excess in a special fund to pay for construction of small section of noise wall extending from Deer Valley Road to north of Robertson. It was pointed out, this helps but does not fully address the noise concerns of all residents who live near Loop 303. The meeting ended with a request to Chairman Bob Jones, who indicated he would pass the request on to the new chairman, Merlyn Carlson, to ask PORA if they would be interested in sponsoring a meeting with representatives from MAG and from the County, to address the concerns of SCW residents with the present and growing noise along Loop 303 and the west wall of SCW.

Chuck Ullman and Walt Maas have been working on the 303 noise wall for some time and wanted to share their information. We are hoping for rubberizing overlay now, it will be cheaper for the County, and cut down on the noise a great deal until the sound wall can be completed. The current MAG information has the 303 additional sound walls for SCW scheduled during the expansion of the roadway to six lanes in 2020 – 2025. At this time it was suggested that PORA help by talking with Max Wilson, MAG & ADOT. Mr. Ullman emphasized that it is important for us to keep on top of this issue.

PORA WATER REPORT

The PORA Water Committee met March 30, 2011 with seven members present, two representatives from Arizona American Water, two representatives from PORA, including President, Dusty Bownkamp, five representatives who were representing HOA's and two guests. Much of the discussion focused on Arizona American Water's plan for replacing water meters both at HOA's and all SCW residents within a 15 year plan. Water pressure also was discussed; 80 PSI is reasonable and noted most plumbing is rated for 170 PSI. Time and frequency of the Water Committee was also discussed. It was decided to change the meeting date to the last Thursday of the month; therefore the next meeting will be April 28th at 9:00 AM at PORA. Frequency of meetings will be discussed, perhaps holding meetings every other month with no meetings during the summer months of July and August.

13. **Public Relations** Doug (Dusty) Rhodes
No Report given
14. **Community Liaison Report** Larry Woods
No Report given
15. **New Business** Dusty Bowenkamp
16. **Motion:** by Merlyn Carlson to approve PORA Employment Application.
The Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
17. Next Meeting: April 18, 2011 @ 1:00 p.m.
18. Comments from Board Directors
19. Comments from PORA Members
20. Adjournment at 1:45pm.

By: _____
Mary McGrath, Secretary

Date: _____