

Rancho Dominguez Patio Homes Community Assn.



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Annual Meeting Minutes/Notes: 3/7/2015

Board Members

Present: Ray Button, Trish Smith, Suzanne Evans

Absent: Marilyn McKellips, Brenda Clinger

Between those who were present and proxies, we had a quorum with 77 members being represented (66 is our "magic number"). Ray called the meeting to order at 9:49am.

1. LAST ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES WERE APPROVED.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT was given by Secretary Suzanne Evans on behalf of Treasurer Brenda Clinger, who couldn't be present due to a prior commitment.

- No dues last year, dues payable ASAP for 2015: \$41.
- Had 2 late fees paid along with past dues.
- 10 escrows closed.
- Report was accepted as sent.
- Discussion about the budget: Jim Sturon referenced a newspaper article that stated an HOA could lose outstanding dues in a foreclosure.
- A question was asked about how much money the HOA can have in its account before it loses its non-profit status. Ray wasn't certain but would look that up. He mentioned that there IS definitely a limit, and RDPHCA likes to stay below about \$13,000.
- Biggest expense is the liability insurance for the Board of Directors. Brenda shopped around and found the same coverage for less money: \$2,555/year.
- Question was asked about mailboxes and fences: at one time, the HOA replaced all the mailboxes and helped finance fence replacement. Will this happen again? Ray noted that these were one-time expenditures. The individual homeowner is responsible for the care and upkeep of mailboxes and fences.
- Is there a need to set up a reserve for legal expenses?
Probably not—all major issues appear to have been dealt with at this point in time.

3. OLD BUSINESS:

Shady Hollow Sign: Thanks again to Trish's artist friend who painted it!

4. ELECTION OF NEW RDPHCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Brenda and Marilyn did not want to run this year.

The following members were nominated/voted to be your RDPHCA 2015 Board of Directors:

Ray Button—President

Trish Smith—Vice President

Debbie Burdick—Treasurer

Suzanne Evans—Secretary

Kay Dotson—Vice President

5. OPEN FORUM

→LMCAC Update (Landscape Maintenance Assessment Citizen Advisory Committee) by [now former member] Kay Dotson.

a. Kay noted her resignation from the LMCAC due to personal reasons. However, she will continue to produce the outreach brochures and slideshows so she can [unofficially] answer most questions regarding City-maintained landscaping.

b. Our two local landscaping Zones, L-2I and L-2J, are scheduled for an outreach presentation on May 28th. This will be held at the Travis Ranch Multipurpose Room and start at 6:3pm. Kay noted that issues to be discussed **WILL AFFECT YOUR TAX BILL SO PLEASE PLAN AHEAD TO RESERVE MAY 28th!**

c. Correction to what was noted at the meeting: both our local Zones now show a positive balance—good news! But with the costs of water, maintenance, plants, and supplies spiraling higher, what is presently OK may not be so OK in the future.

→Comment regarding synthetic turf. It was noted by Debbie Burdick that HOAs can no longer require real grass, due to the drought. [NOTE: Please get HOA pre-approval IF you plan on removing your grass and replacing with another landscape design. The City also requires paperwork to be filled out.]

→EMAILS: Suzie reported that significant progress has been made with the HOA's goal to collect email addresses. It is the desire of the RDPHCA Board to eliminate the expenses associated with traditional "Snail Mail": paper, ink, postage, envelopes, and the time to do all this. With the cost savings, the Board may be able to reduce or eliminate dues for 2016! This will be noted in the next newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42am.

- Kay updated the status of the YL Landscape Committee. Our 2 areas are still funded by the city. The city is starting with the Bryant Ranch area and will get to our area much later.
- Nominations for the Board included all the existing Board members.
- By everyone present, the existing Board was elected for next year.

Ray adjourned the meeting at 10:22am.