



CENTRAL HOLLYWOOD  
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
Adopted Board Meeting Minutes  
January 25, 2010

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Scott Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:15pm. Board members present: David Ambroz, Scott Campbell, Laurie Goldman, Lydia Milars, Debbie Wehbe and Alwin Sumirat.

2. **MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

Laurie Goldman reported that she had referred to a permit, not a project, in Item 9 of the December 2009 Minutes.

**Laurie Goldman moved to approve the minutes for December 21, 2009 as amended; seconded by David Ambroz.**

**VOTE: Unanimous in favor. The motion passed.**

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None noted.

4. **REPORTS/COMMENTS FROM GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES IN ATTENDANCE**

Hollywood Community Studio – Maeve Johnston asked for assistance gathering information regarding walking habits for Hollywood community members, an effort to understand more about how, why and where people walk in the community, and how improvements can be made. Ms. Johnston distributed flyers regarding planned walk surveys on Thursday, February 18, 2010 at 6pm, and Saturday, February 20, 2010 at 11 am, that will commence at the corner of La Brea and Fountain. Ms. Johnston stated that the survey information will be available for publication within the next two to three weeks.

(Taken out of order) Justin Hamilton, representing Councilman Tom LaBonge, advised of Councilman LaBonge's request that all citizens participate in the Census 2010; forms that will be mailed out between March 15-17 and of the importance of accurate Census reporting; Mr. Hamilton referred to the outdoor smoking ban unanimously adopted by the Los Angeles City Council, which will take effect one year after it is signed by Mayor Villaraigosa, which will require that certain outdoor post no smoking signs. Mr. Hamilton stated that the Los Angeles City Council unanimously supported Councilman

LaBonge's resolution encouraging all Los Angeles residents to support relief efforts in Haiti, January. Mr. Hamilton announced that the launch of Arts Month in Los Angeles on Monday, February 1, 2010. Mr. Hamilton advised that information is regularly updated on Councilman LaBonge's website, [www.TomLaBonge.com](http://www.TomLaBonge.com). At Scott Campbell's request, Mr. Hamilton discussed his qualifications and background.

Angela Motta, Hollywood field deputy representing Council President Eric Garcetti, advised that the work is progressing on the pedestrian alleyway between Cahuenga and Cosmo north of Selma, discussed renovation work being planned for the Hollywood Rec center pool. A final design has not yet approved; Ms. Motta explained the process that will take place with construction to start in October 2010. The next LVNOC meeting will probably take place in February 2010. Four Police Town Halls requested by Captain Beatrice Grmala; the first will focus on events that will impact the community. Ms. Motta announced the W Hotel will open on Friday, January 29, 2010. Responding to Laurie Goldman's question, Ms. Motta stated that ground-breaking took place on the Vine Street parking. Ms. Goldman also asked for more information about the demolition at the old Continental Trailways lot site.

## **5. TREASURER'S REPORT**

### **a. Status of Rollover Funds?**

Debbie Wehbe summarized information provided from DONE earlier regarding how rollover funds and reported that now each NC's budget will be reviewed and considered individually. Ms. Wehbe then discussed and compared CHNC budgets prior and subsequent to recent proposed changes, noted that CHNC will not have to re-submit a budget, reported on the status of the various CHNC budget lines, noted the uncertainty regarding \$3000 in funds allocated for a grant to the FixNation project because of current litigation against the City, and advised of possible double billing from AppleOne for administrative support services.

### **b. Status of prior requests?**

What requests are outstanding from this and prior years? What is needed on each one and who is the contact person from the Board? Debbie Wehbe advised that the Youth budget line has been depleted; Beautification has about half of its original allocation. Ms. Wehbe discussed how the funds set aside for the Mansfield Garden project have been expended thus far. The election allocation was also discussed. Ms. Wehbe stated that the CHNC funds will have to be examined and recalculated, and advised that DONE has changed the way it reports funds on the website that have been spent on behalf of CHNC and all other NCs.

- c. Where do we stand for the year? How much have we allocated? How much have we actually spent? What is left from this year's budget?
- d. Other Treasurer/Funding Issues.
  - i. Budget changes needed?
  - ii. Follow up on accounting/funding/treasurer assistance?

Debbie Wehbe reported that assistance regarding a report of this information has been requested. Laurie Goldman advised that the recent audit is available on the DONE website.

## **6. PRESENTATIONS**

- a. Emergency Preparedness.

David McClain, North Hills West NC Emergency Preparedness Chair, and HHWNC EMS Chair Valorie Keegan appeared to discuss disaster preparedness. Mr. McClain focused on CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) training; Ms. Keegan discussed what effect a disaster could have on older communities such as Hollywood and urged Neighborhood Watch and Neighborhood Council emergency preparedness. Both presenters offered to provide insight and information to CHNC. At Scott Campbell's request, Linda Lee will provide a summary at an upcoming meeting of things that can be done by CHNC and by stakeholders to prepare for unexpected events.

## **7. COMMITTEE REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS:**

- i. Public Safety Committee -- Open

- 1. CPAB

- Craig De Silva will provide an update at the next CHNC Board meeting. Mr. De Silva expressed his intent to assist with Neighborhood Watch formation. Lydia Milars will advise about new Senior Lead Officers for Hollywood.

- ii. Beautification Committee

- 1. Highland Ave Ad Hoc Committee

- Debbie Wehbe reported that no information is available at this time regarding funds that were to be paid to the architect for the medians.

- 2. Noguera Educational Garden Ad Hoc Committee

Debbie Wehbe stated that the garden looks very nice and that new plots are going in, and expressed hope that the DWP will soon complete the work on the solar panels.

3. De Longpre Park Ad Hoc Committee

Oliver Netburn discussed his plans to speak at more length with the Bureau of Engineering project manager regarding De Longpre Park. Scott Campbell asked if Mr. Netburn would take on liaison responsibility for the Hollywood Rec Center. Debbie Wehbe suggested that a dog sanitation station be put into place at De Longpre park by Earth Day in April 2010.

b. Ad Hoc Committees

i. Hollywood Community plan ad hoc committee.

Laurie Goldman summarized preliminary work done by the ad hoc committee on the Community Plan update and discussed plans to make a report directly to the CHNC Board, once the draft EIR is released in March 2010. Devin Streeter stated that the Hollywood BID wants to continue to work with CHNC on this issue. David Ambroz stated his intent to attend the West Hollywood General Plan open meeting..

ii. Election Committee

Linda Lee reviewed the timeline for the upcoming May 2010 CHNC elections, read the stakeholder definition and responded to questions regarding the elections. A flyer produced by the City Clerk regarding the February 2010 candidate sessions was distributed.

**8. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Laurie Goldman advised that the Friends of the Hollywood Central Park is sponsoring an event on May 15-16, 2010, the Taste of Hollywood, at Vine Street and Selma, and encouraged everyone to attend.

Debbie Wehbe advised that LA Shares has offered consumable supplies to CHNC and other non-profit organizations. Ms. Wehbe will coordinate picking up supplies.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned by common consent at 7:35 pm.