

**South Pocket Homeowners Association
Board Minutes
October 12, 2011**

Attendees:

Don Bryant, co-president
Greg Hatfield, co president & Area 2 Representative
Sandra Peck, treasurer
Ken Giese, architectural review
Sabra Sanchez, secretary
Sue Ruiz, newsletter

Minutes – It was moved by Sue and seconded by Ken that the minutes from the August meeting be accepted. The vote was unanimous.

Finance – Sandra Peck. See attached P & L

- August/September Expenditures - \$673
- Balance on Hand - \$4844.08
- YTD Expenditures - \$3812 (62.5% of Annual Budget Allocation)
- Annual Budget - \$6097
- Projected End of Year Balance - \$2261
- Sue reported that Tim Volf has committed to do an ad insert for 2012 (\$400) and Ed Fletched a /4 page ad (\$100). If all other advertising commitments and membership remain the same, that should increase the 2012 budget by \$500. 140 paid memberships in 2011.

Neighborhood Watch – Ryan Chin, absent

- Greg reported that Captain Dan Schiele, South Sacramento Watch Commander, has moved on to a new position. His is being received well.

Architectural Review – Ken Giese

- Nothing new to report.

Marriott Park Update – Greg Hatfield reporting for John Caffrey

- Greg met with Noah Painter, administrative assistant for Councilman Fong, who reported that calls to 311 regarding the park maintenance are all being logged
- One of the most important issues for citizens and therefore Councilman Fong is the loose green waste in the streets.
- With funds received by Councilman Fong from the cell tower rents, three part-time positions will be funded in District 7. These employees will do edging, blowing, and bathroom cleanup in the parks.
- Sue Ruiz reported the following on park maintenance crews efforts:
 - She observed 3 trucks with crews in the park recently and it took approximately one hour for staff to get busy. Once started they did edge but there was no cleanup with the blowers.

Newsletter – Sue Ruiz

- Late October issue
- Business-size ad for the St. Anthony fall festival to occur 11/12
- Articles:
 - Volunteering in the schools – Sandra Peck
 - Announcement of Jo Ellen Volf as new SPHA Volunteer Coordinator
 - Need for Membership Chair
 - Park Complaints, Call 311
 - Holiday Party - Sabra
 - New Neighbor Welcome – Sabra
 - Status of Sound Wall
 - National Night Out recognition and report
 - Poop bags project for the park
 - Recognition of Tim Volf and Scouts for bench refinishing
- There was discussion about offering one free ad for an annual commitment. See New Business below for outcome.
- Newsletter deadline date was set for October 21.

Area II Report – Greg Hatfield

- The recent meeting, which was the first in some time, was not well attended. The new City Manager and South Sacramento Watch Commander who replaced Captain Schiele were introduced.

New Business

- John Caffrey tendered his resignation from the Board. John had sought a replacement all of whom declined. Sue Ruiz agreed to take over the responsibility of Park liaison.
- Sue presented information on an Ikea bag dispenser that can be installed in the park that would allow citizens to deposit plastic grocery bags to be used for pet excrement. The cost is minimal. Greg also delivered to Sue a few bags left over from the donation made by Robbie Waters.
- Refinishing of 4 varnished benches and 1 repainted bench was coordinated by Tim Volf and assisted by Sherry Kawelo and her troop of Boy Scouts. It was reported that the Boy Scouts will do 2 more benches. Geri Gollihur will pay for the refinishing materials.
- To thank Tim for his contribution, Tim will receive 1 free ad insert into the Newsletter and he has also agreed to pay for a year's worth of newsletter ad inserts.
- 2012 ad insert price was increased from \$400 to \$405. Anyone making a one-year commitment for the insert will receive one complimentary ad. The motion was made by Greg and seconded by Ken followed by a unanimous vote.

Holiday Party

- Last year's party was not well attended which may have been due to late notice of the date.
- Alternative ideas to the holiday party concept were made: A breakfast at the Elks Club, a sunset diner at the Water Intake facility.
- Location is the issue. Ken will inquire about using Vientos Restaurant. Don will talk to Café Latte.

- Ken feels that we should at least have an event for paid member each year.
- After some discussion on a desirable date, Saturday, December 17 was targeted.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, November 2, 2011

7pm

Location: Don's House