Racquet Club Estates Neighborhood Organization BOA Meeting Minutes (Approved) January 10, 2009

The meeting commenced at 10:00 AM at the home of Nat Gozzano and John Shields.

The following BOA members were present: Rick Vila, Dean Nicastro, Scott Kennedy, Nat Gozzano, Ron Oliver, Joseph May, Todd Hebert and Timm Fryman.

The following RCENO general members were present: Bob Merliss, Marty Kapff, Ken Lyon, Jeff Taylor, Leigh Frost and Gene Graham.

- 1) Rick opened the meeting by welcoming the general members who were present and thanking them for their participation. Because of the number of items on the agenda Rick asked that the proposed agenda time limits be adhered to so that we could get thru everything.
- 2) Minutes of the December 2008 RCENO BOA meeting were approved.
- 3) Dean reported that we have a bank balance of \$2,180.95.
- 4) Todd reported on the most recent PSNIC meeting:

PSNIC MEETING SUMMARY 1/08/09

A/ 2010 census

Ana Hernandez of LA regional census center made a presentation and left a brochure for each NORG. Todd will make the brochure available at RCENO meeting.

There are paid job openings with the census 2010. Refer to the brochure for details.

B/ liability insurance

The city has finalized a "hold harmless" coverage insurance policy for PSNIC as well as individual board members for each NORG. Copy of the city "memo" is attached.

C/ New NORGS

There are 3 or 4 new groups interested in joining PSNIC

D/ Vacation rentals

The city is making one revision to the code and will make a revised copy available for review/comments ASAP.

E/ Finances

Each NORG has a \$150 allowance for expenditures. Let's decide on how to use this allocation for RCENO. PSNIC has \$7500 in cash on hand.

F/ Whitewater jail

Everyone is encouraged to attend the public forum tonight in Cabazon.

Each NORG was encouraged to write a letter to county supervisors regarding their position on the issue. Lee Husfeld will circulate a "homeowner survey" document. One PSNIC member voiced support for the jail site.

G/ PSNIC Retreat

Half day retreat scheduled for board members and alternates on 1/24 at four seasons club house (9am to 2 pm)

H/ Other general news

Deepwell is modeling a "disaster preparedness neighborhood" including firearm preparation and medical supplies; complaints about developer handling of empty lots and ugly fences was voiced; city building inspectors have been confronted about rude behavior; large version of neighborhood signs were displayed; Palm Springs Rotary is willing to donate man hours to a worthy project on April 25th; a flier will be circulated for a 1/31/09 workshop focused on "Building a successful NORG".

- 5) Rick gave an update on the February 14, 2009 Home Tour:
- . 8 homes will be on tour from 0930 1200 noon; there will be 2 Meiselmans, 1 Steel House, 5 Krisel/Alexander homes
- . Reception will be at Eddie Schachnow's home from 12 noon to 1:00 PM
- . Architects Bill Krisel and Don Wexler will be honorary guests at reception
- . Nat has designed for printing 6"x9" cards to be distributed throughout the City
- . Nat will design poster for strategic placement in select locations
- . Scott is managing food selection
- . Nat & Scott are designing brochure to be handed out with bracelet that will serve as admission ticket.
- . We have the option of purchasing a banner. Leigh Frost will cost out. According to Sharon Heider, Director of Parks & Recreation for P.S. we can display the banner across Palm Canyon. She is emailing guidelines for the banner. The cost is \$185, includes installation and removal.
- . Other advertisement: Desert Sun press release, Channel 17 public announcement, PS Mod Com, Palm Springs Preservation Foundation
- . Nicki is working on additional sponsors, including Chocolat
- . Dean is settting up our PayPal account to work in conjunction with our website for folks to buy tickets
- Comp tickets will be given to City Council, Mayor, Directors of key City departments, homeowner's who have opened their home, and other key individuals.
- Ron Oliver is managing ticket sales on the day of the event. His sales booth will be in the Library across from Victoria Park
- . WE NEED VOLUNTEER DOCENTS
- . WE NEED HELPERS TO SET UP AND CLEAN UP AT RECEPTION HOUSE WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO DISTRUBUTE ADVERTISEMENT CARDS
- 6) Scott updated the group on the status of the Via Miraleste sidewalk project. He said that we have three options: a) do nothing, b) mitigate, c) object. RCENO opposes the project and Scott will send a letter to the appropriate City personnel stating the group's objection.

- 7) Scott has sent letters to homeowners with properties adjoining the proposed San Rafael/Indian Canyon development project seeking their opinions/input on the project.
- 8) Discussion on the neighborhood participating in a Historical Districting Initiative will be tabled until after February's Home Tour.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.