



Dominican Black Canyon Neighborhood Association

MEMBERSHIP AND BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 13, 2020 7:00 PM

Zoom Meeting – Online

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: *Jack Nixon, John Contini, Jay Hubert, Bonnie Marks, Marty Wickenheiser, Monica McMillan, Pauline Ancell, Herb Ancell, Becky Gayman.*

COMMUNITY MEMBER: *Kathy Burell*

1. Call to order: 7:16 pm. *Introduction of Community Member- Kathy Burell- by Jack.*
2. Approval of April 8, 2020 Minutes: *Approved/Moved and Seconded . Becky*
3. Treasurer's Report: *Bonnie presented revised Treasurers' Report, thanks to Jay for catching error with earlier emailed Report. She noted we were behind in membership compared to where we were last year - and that we still need to raise \$6985, by December 31st to meet our original anticipated income- noting a 'weak' year. Brief discussion regarding the noted reserve, \$9600, which could be helpful in such a year as this one. Also noted was with the limited activities, due to SIP (shelter in place) restrictions, expenses would be less.*
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Membership Committee: *Monica noted we have 8 new members as of late.*
 - b. FireWise Committee: *Jay shared information on the upcoming implementation of Measure C, the Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority(MWPA), passed on the March ballot. Jay stated the money raised in the 16 designated Districts under the measure will be collected in December. Thus expenditures can not be made prior to 12/2020; this is a concern due to the current drought year and the beginning of another fire season. There is a possibility the County would offer a loan to the MWPA, prior to 12/2020 to assist with vegetative management this fire season. Jay is in contact with the Vegetative Management Officer for the San Rafael Fire Department. Brief discussion regarding modified Chipper Day Activities with the SIP orders.
*Jay has sent John his FireSafe Marin article for the newsletter final editing; a focus of the June newsletter**
 - c. Safety & Crime Prevention: *Herb shared no major crime this month; one bike and one car stolen.*
5. Old Business
 - a. Spring newsletter: *Jack states that Jackie has the walkers needed to get newsletters to DBCN households by mid June. **Deadline for all articles June 1st.** Theme/focus of this "Bi-Annual" Newsletter is on fire suppression and how it might be modified in our 'new normal'*
 - b. Writing articles
 - I. *Jack- will write front page article*
 - II. *Bonnie- has submitted a FireWise Garden article and Treasurers' article*
 - III. *Jay and John- final editing happening on the focal article of FireWise information*
 - IV. *Marty and Monica-will compose a membership article specific to the Vice Mayors' proposed neighbors helping neighbors initiative.*
 - V. *Pauline-submitted photos, maybe something else?*
 - VI. *Herb- submitted a 'Safety and Crime' report that he and Jack will review*
 - VII. *Monica- submitted a 'Coleman News' Article that she will find photos for as well*
 - VIII. *Becky- will submit a brief article and has edited submitted articles to Jack for final review*
 - c. *Monica asked to reopen the request from the Corte Mesa Homeowners Association. Discussion of the DBCNA role and operational structure for such requests ensued. Jay proposed a \$500. grant to be given to*

Corte Mesa HO. The motion was approved by Monica and seconded by Marty, passed by 6-3 vote. Marty is to write a reversal letter with Jack editing and Bonnie writing the check.

6. New business

- a. *Officers for Next Year- Pauline declined the Treasurer position that Bonnie is terming out of. Brief discussion. Jack states he will stay on for a 'limited term'.*
- b. *Annual Meeting- Discussion on probable Zoom format, date to be determined soon, public civic figures and members to be invited, thus a date needs possible flexibility. Stated that up to 100 people could attend via a zoom meeting.*
- c. *Marty is unable to offer free labeling for our newsletter at her place of business due to SIP. Kinkos noted as an alternative and within budget.*
- d. *John to offer protocol for FireWise grant/donation program/procedure by next meeting.*

7. Adjourn - 8:32 pm

Next DBCNA Board Meeting: June 10, 2020: 7:00pm: Probably Zoom again.