

Inter Canyon League
Minutes of the General Meeting
Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 7:00 PM Modjeska Community Center

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by President May.

II. General Announcements

None.

III. Annual Election of ICL Directors

Retiring Director Linda May directed distribution of ballots to all voting members present.

By an amazing coincidence, both Francesca Duff and Janet Wilson, the two candidates on the ballot, were elected to the two open board positions.

IV. Director Reports

a. President---Linda May

No report.

b. Vice President---Janet Wilson

No report.

c. Secretary---Scott Breeden

1. Approval of Minutes

Janet asked that the December minutes note passage of the resolution authorizing ICL to contribute up to \$500 to appeal a Planning Commission decision to the Board of Supervisors, if necessary. So amended, the December minutes were approved 5-0.

d. Treasurer---Geoffrey Sarkissian

1. Finance Reports

The November finance report, showing not much action, was approved 5-0.

For December, Geoff deposited and distributed the Silverado Country Fair proceeds as recommended last month by the Fair Committee. The "Station 14" distribution was clarified to mean for the Silverado Firefighters Association for all their help with fair setup and operation. The financial report was approved 5-0.

2. Holiday Helpers---Pam Ragland

Geoff reported that Pam collected \$800, all via PayPal, to be given to people in need over the holidays. Geoff agreed that the needs of the three recipients were legitimate.

e. Director---Dion Sorrell

Unfortunately, the person who was going to organize a Shakespeare production at the library had a conflict, so someone else will need to be found. Dion could use suggestions for Shakespeare activities—he will post a questionnaire on NextDoor or the ICL website.

V. Advisory Committee Reports

a. Land Use---Janet Wilson

1. General

The California Native Plant Society sent email about CalFire's plans for fire breaks on ridgelines. She would like to get CEQA documents about this.

2. Update on Red Rock Event Center---Scott Breeden

The county Planning Commission again discussed the Red Rock Gardens event center proposed for a residence along Santiago Canyon Road near Modjeska. County planners recommended denial of a permit for such use, saying that would be disallowed

commercial activity in a residential area. The Commission, though, voted to continue the item, asking that applicants meet with planning staff about what it would take to change county land use policies to be compatible with the desired use.

Linda suggested writing Supervisor Spitzer, but noted his position on a recent Tustin development issue. Joanne Hubble said that OCFA could be asked about accidents at the Red Rock site, for example.

3. Update on the Mesa---Janet Wilson

Dion Sorrell and Steve Enochs are meeting about fundraising to purchase the Irvine Mesa in Silverado. One proposal is to ask the owners, The Wildlands Conservancy, for a one-year extension of time. Meanwhile, though, 250 acres were reportedly already in escrow.

Linda suggested that the horse group meet the new buyers—would they allow hikers, etc. on the property?

Janet wondered what people thought. Would it be OK to pave a road and add one house?

Would an easement be needed? Janet is trying to get easement information from TWC.

b. Friends of the Library---Fran Williams

Fran deposited three donations: \$100 from Mike K., \$200 from the silent auction of one of Ron Myer's paintings, and \$1,000 from the ICL's Silverado Fair disbursal. She would like to spend \$500 on media items (CDs and DVDs) to give to OC Public Libraries—these are not covered by county funds.

Dick Ertman mentioned the library in his will; Geoff has a copy of the letter from a lawyer. A signed “no fee” agreement is still needed for FOL storage space at the library—this might be a corner in a main building or a small shed. The agreement process is “cumbersome” but SMRPD did it; perhaps they could be of help.

One-time volunteers are needed for physical labor at the April swap meet fundraiser. Check the SMRPD online calendar for the exact date.

c. Canyon Watch---Marion Schuller

No report.

d. Emergency Preparedness---Joanne Hubble

Holy Jim Canyon and parts of some Orange County parks were closed due to rain. Joanne asked if she could get an antenna for the radio at her house, and was told to see Marion.

e. History---Don Armbruster

The first cataloging session of the local archives will be begin at 10am on January 23. There are forms to fill out, which will eventually be online.

VI. New Business

Janet led applause for Linda to thank her for her service as President.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03.

***** The next ICL meeting will be held February 6, 2018 at the Silverado
Community Center *****