Inter Canyon League Minutes of the General Meeting

Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at 7:00 PM Silverado Community Center

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:06pm by Vice President Sarkissian.

II. General Announcements

Linda May announced that Loretta Sanchez, running for 3rd District Supervisor in the March 12 special election, would be here at the Silverado Community Center on Friday at 7pm to meet and greet residents. There will also be a candiate forum in Tustin on February 15.

III. Director Reports

a. President---Geoffrey Sarkissian

Geoff introduced this year's ICL officers, and also asked everyone else present to introduce themselves to the crowd.

b. Vice President---Dion Sorrell

Dion is waiting for a call back from the FCC about setting up a local AM/FM radio station.

c. Secretary---Scott Breeden

The minutes of the January 8 regular meeting and January 29 special meeting were approved 4-0.

d. Treasurer---Francesca Duff

Insurance and Constant Contact bills were paid last month, and Canyon Watch spent around \$2,000 on radio equipment. The financial report was approved 4-0.

IV. Advisory Committee Reports

a. History---Melody McWilliams

The committee has been spending Saturdays cataloging canyon archive material like the newspaper articles and photos from 1969 on display tonight. These were organized by Fran Williams to commemorate the big flood of that year, exactly 50 years ago.

The Silverado-Modjeska Recreation and Park District (SMRPD) board will respond to the committee's request for continued use of the Modjeska Community Center after all board members have had a chance to become familiar with the facility.

b. Canyon Watch / Fire Watch---Marion Schuller, Emily Graham

Marion would like to spend some more money to ensure radio repeater operation on cloudy days: an auto-start controller is needed for propane power when there is no solar power.

Marion would also like people who were issued radios to tell her which equipment is still being used, which needs fixing, and which is available for re-use by someone else.

c. Emergency Preparedness---Joanne Hubble, Connie Nelson No report.

d. Country Fair---Jane Bove

Donations were dispersed as planned. SMRPD's insurance covered wind damage from tarps tied to the stage. Kelly Markham is interested in running the next fair with help from Jane and Rachel. This is now ICL's main fundraiser (largely to cover insurance).

e. Friends of the Library---Fran Williams

Besides being the 50th anniversary of the '69 flood, this year is also the 90th anniversary of the first Silverado library. Current Library of the Canyons branch manager Jon Gilliom is interested in making use of archive photos for a possible open house.

As part of community outreach, the library asked Friends of the Library to sponsor it in the upcoming chili cook-off.

The library is also looking for volunteers to attend a workshop on recording stories of life in the canyons. Fran will look into the associated website, storycenter.org. Bruce Newell suggested contacting Rusty Williams.

f. Communications---Francesca Duff, Dion Sorrell

Emergency preparation information has been added to the ICL website, including a link to the Fire Safe Council's brochure. Mary Schreiber added that paper copies of the brochure should arrive in everyone's mailboxes soon, as well. Bruce said that emergency information is also planned for inclusion in the next canyon phone directory.

Since electricity might be off during an emergency, Francesca said that block captains should know where there are phones that don't need external power. But since block captains aren't always home, neighbors should knock on doors and share information. Connie Nelson would like a phone outside each fire station.

g. Land Use---Scott Breeden

There are no updates concerning the upcoming Red Rock Gardens court hearing.

V. New Business

Bruce announced the dates of two emergency preparedness workshops: February 24 at Modjeska Fire Station 16, and March 10 at Silverado Fire Station 14, both 2-4pm. Cosponsored by ICL, the Fire Safe Council, and the Orange County Fire Authority, both sessions are intended to cover the same ground, providing information for people to make their lives safer. Notices will go out via Joanne's email and NextDoor. No equipment needed—bring a notebook if you like.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

*** The next ICL meeting will be held March 5, 2019 at the Silverado Community Center ***