Inter Canyon League Minutes of the General Meeting

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

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Sarkissian.

II. General Announcements

Modjeska block captains will meet at 7:15pm on March 7 at the Carters'. Silverado block captains are also invited.

The second "Staying Alive" emergency preparedness workshop will be held March 10 at Silverado Fire Station 14, from 2pm to 4pm. Mary Schreiber advised that flashy fuels will be building up, so keep clearance around your house.

Francesca Duff said that County Planning Director Colby Cataldi is working with Verizon on cell phone issues like painting the roadside boxes and planting vegetation around them.

III. Director Reports

a. President---Geoffrey Sarkissian

Geoff noted the absence of both a huge crowd and great controversy at the moment, which was fine with him.

b. Vice President---Dion Sorrell

Dion is still working on establishing a canyon AM or FM radio station but has not yet found anyone with broadcast experience who might be able to help with dealing with the FCC.

c. Secretary---Scott Breeden

The minutes of the February ICL meeting were approved 4-0.

d. Treasurer---Francesca Duff

All of this year's big bills and country fair expenses have now been paid. The financial report was approved 4-0.

IV. Advisory Committee Reports

a. History---Melody McWilliams

Fran Williams reported that the Silverado-Modjeska Recreation and Park District (SMRPD) approved an agreement authorizing the committee to use space in the Modjeska Community Center for storage and working on the canyon archives. Francesca recommended labeling ICL (committee) property kept there. A motion authorizing Geoff to accept the agreement for ICL if ICL's insurance covers the indemnification requirement passed 4-0.

The committee's display about the 1969 flood is currently on view at the library.

Mary Schreiber asked if the committee would like some photos left by Dick Ertman when he died. Fran said she would take them, and the committee will give anything it can't use to someone else.

The committee would also like its own email address. Francesca said she would set one up just like ICL's existing Gmail addresses.

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

See the block captain meeting announcement above.

c. Emergency Preparedness---Joanne Hubble, Connie Nelson

See the emergency preparedness workshop announcement above.

d. Country Fair---Jane Bove

No report.

e. Friends of the Library---Fran Williams

The committee will sponsor library staff in the upcoming chili cook-off, and pay for supplies. Other upcoming events are the summer reading program that starts in June, and an open house to commemorate the 90th anniversary of a library in the canyons. Perhaps all the Supervisors will be invited to the latter, as was done for the 70th anniversary. Anyone interested in helping with that should see Fran.

Fran also thinks she has gotten a "nibble" from someone interested in taking over some of her work so the committee can become more of a true committee.

f. Communications---Francesca Duff. Dion Sorrell

Dion is scheduling a meeting at the Silverado church for people to talk about common communication problems and identify people with expertise. Pastor Larry is interested, and has offered use of a room there during emergencies. Installing a radio transmitter at that site is also a possibility.

Francesca added a page to the ICL web site devoted to emergency preparedness.

g. Land Use---Scott Breeden

Scott attended the court hearing on the Red Rock Gardens event permit lawsuit. The judge asked lawyers from both sides questions about land use and environmental impact issues, and concluded by promising a decision in a week or two. Traffic impact from proposed events was one concern. The permit requires adding signs and restriping Santiago Canyon Road but in Geoff's opinion, many cars exiting the site by turning right and U-turning at the next intersection would make the road less safe than before.

Concerning former Irvine Mesa owner The Wildlands Conservancy, Mary Schreiber said that two other properties of theirs, on the Williams Canyon side, had been sold.

V. New Business

Geoff will attend a March 29 meeting about the county's proposed Local Alternative Management Program (LAMP) for septic systems. He finds it confusing; if Silverado Creek (formerly considered polluted but not now) becomes polluted again, how would residents be affected? He promised a community meeting on the subject afterward.

Mary Schreiber said that right now, septic systems are not supposed to affect home sales. But even changing a plumbing fixture might require upgrading a septic system.

On a different subject, Geoff would like ICL to create a project for improving acoustics at the Modjeska Community Center.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

*** The next ICL meeting will be held April 2, 2019 at the Silverado Community Center ***