LPCA Board Minutes

February 18, 2009 6:30 pm

Board Members Present: Dennis Kellogg, Terry Grimes, Scott Rose, Craig Powell

I. Introductions

Board members and LPCA members in attendance

II. Explanation of public participation at end of committee reports – will have 5 minutes designated at end of each report for membership discussion/public comment.

III. Approval of Minutes of 2/12/09 meeting – Craig Powell motion, Terry Grimes 2nd – motion passed 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

IV. Treasurers Report – Dennis Kellogg

Budget submitted by former treasurer Caroline Peck showed \$29,000 in treasury; In discussions about ways to better manage LPCA money; considering Washington Mutual on Broadway for new LPCA bank; Final budget will be ready when more information about upcoming events and costs is in; Should have final budget by April meeting;

Taste budget: had to make infrastructure and equipment purchases for last Taste event, however, that was offset by Terry Grimes donating printing for event program.

Discussion: board was asked if non-profit status is threatened by sizeable bank balance. Scott Rose explained LPCA was created to reinvest in Land Park, and hasn't been done enough, but will be focus in future. Terry Grimes & Craig Powell stated LPCA is working on capital intensive projects that LPCA will be spending on: restoration of park bathrooms, WPA Rock Garden, plantings and bushes for waterfowl at small pond.

Dennis Kellogg stated \$1500 was donated to Cal Middle School for new sign.

V. LPCA Committees

Craig Powell: sending out sign-up sheet at meeting for those interested in committees;

Need to appoint interim committee chairs:

C Powell nominated Jon Jensen for Land Use Chair: D. Kellogg 2nd,

Discussion: Jon will contact City for project list, suggested putting the current project proposals on LPCA website. Teresa Rocha asked about process for LPCA to weigh in on projects... is there criteria? Needs to be a triage process. Jon Jensen agreed and will look into procedure. Vote passed 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

Parks Committee

Issues: Geese, park. Dennis Kellogg motion to keep Craig Powell as Parks Committee Chair. Terry Grimes 2nd. Motion passes – 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

Commercial Revitalization Committee:

Terry Grimes wants to move the committee from Ad Hoc, to permanent committee in order to proceed. Issues are: Freeport Blvd. properties and Yee property on Del Rio Road. Craig Powell motion to keep Terry Grimes committee chair, Scott Rose 2nd. Discussion: Dennis Kellogg voiced that some members are concerned that LPCA not become known as commercial board, however feels that Terry Grimes and Craig Powell are in line with what membership wants – revitalization of the commercial corridors so residents can shop locally. Terry Grimes stated committee is not selling out to commercial businesses at all, but recognizing the small, local businesses and working on a balance. Motion passed: yes 4, no 0, abstain 0.

Dennis moved to make committee permanent, Scott 2nd. Dennis stated that LPCA needs to get back on track with Broadway Partnership. Motion passed: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

Events:

Craig Powell nominated Dennis Kellogg to remain chair, Terry Grimes 2nd. Lyda will help with LPCA egg hunt. Looking for more events volunteers – passed out sign up sheet for April 4th Egg Hunt. Craig nominated Lyda as Vice Chair, Terry 2nd. Motion passed: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

Bylaws:

Scott Rose – been working on many changes. Need to change the dues amount from \$10 to \$15. Craig explained that for pressing issues, board needs to be prepared to fast track. Other issues will require a total re-write. Craig nominated Rick Stevenson to chair committee, Terry 2nd. Bruce volunteered to be Vice Chair. Motion passed: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

Dennis asked for draft available by April meeting (of fast-tracked issues).

Transportation and Transit Committee:

Craig Powell asked for volunteers. Jon Jensen recommended Jim Randlet for his work on the Broadway Bridge issue, and will talk to Jim. Teresa Rocha (Broadway Partnership) suggested that LPCA Board invite people to come back to the board who had been involved in the past. Also that big issues involve the entire board, and not just committee, and get membership input.

Craig offered that the new process is for membership to get involved – creation of a task force to restructure committees – open participation. Dennis and Craig will form. Craig identified 2 components:

- 1. Recommend revamping scope and jurisdiction of all committees specifically Land Use and Transportation Committees need to be split.
- 2. Recommend set of committee policies so all operate with same implementation in order to operate democratically, and not have committee chairs deciding on issues. Must work on better advance notice to members, regular meetings, easily accessible by public (not in homes). The idea is to increase member involvement

in committee process. And include majority and minority positions on all big issues.

Scott Rose motion to create task force, Terry 2nd. Motion passed: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

Elections Committee:

Scott Rose – new amendments state 3 members at large for creation of elections committee. Committee will oversee how elections are run, get interested persons' information out to membership, organize candidates, balloting, rules, protocol, implement candidates night and election night. Will send out an email asking for volunteers. Craig stated that anyone interested can participate and don't have to be on the committee. 4 members volunteered: Warren Smith, Dave O'Toole, Jon Jensen, Lyda Mock.

Public Safety:

Scott Rose – LPCA wants to create standing Public Safety Committee. Survey showed that this is priority. Scott will meet with Natomas association who has great relationship with police. We don't even know who our area police captain is. Katy will contact Glen Faulkner, local police officer a resident, for help. Terry motion to create Public Safety Committee, Craig 2nd. Motion passed: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

Annual Meeting:

Scott Rose – with recent bylaws vote and resignations, leaves 14 vacant board positions. Date for meeting discussed. Get area Councilperson Rob Fong, Supervisor Jimmie Yee. Will advise on final date and agenda.

Newsletter:

Scott Rose – newsletter was supposed to out in early January, now is out of date. Need to appoint newsletter Editor. Discussion of advertising in newsletter. Lyda Mock showed design changes. Craig Powell motion to appoint Lyda in charge of Newsletter, Dennis 2nd. Motion passed 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. Discussion about content, issues, put it on website, advertising.

Craig motion that before newsletter is sent to printer, it is sent to all board members for 24-hour approval and that board accept paid advertising. Dennis 2nd. Motion passed: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. Discussion of distribution. Terry will contact mail house to get cost and timeline. Scott motion: one time mailing of newsletter, Terry 2nd. Motion passed: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

Bylaws Committee:

Rick Stevenson and Bruce Tim to take on – will review at March meeting. Quorum at membership meeting – bylaws are silent on this subject – need to specify. Craig motion to direct Bylaws committee in area of membership Quorum, Terry 2nd. Motion passed: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

VI. Non-Profit Resource Center:

Craig contacted Nonprofit resource Center for LPCA membership. Provide Board training, advice, library of resources. Cost \$100. Craig motion to join nonprofit

resource center, expend \$100 annual dues, Terry 2nd. Motion passed: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

VII. New Business

Creation of Advisory Board that LPCA Board selects. 7 member, 1-year terms. Appropriate for former LPCA Board members, Zoo, Broadway Partnership, etc... to meet with LPCA Board twice annually, help build LPCA constituency. Contact Craig Powell or Scott Rose with names.

Membership:

Scott Rose updated: 120 new members with last meeting. Creating backlog, list needs to be cleaned up. Data base needs to be updated. Asking for one time clerical person to do data entry, cleanup. Craig motion to suggest acting President to engage clerical help, up to \$250 for purpose of cleaning up membership database, Terry 2nd. Motion passed: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 pm