

Minutes March 2009 Board Meeting – Hillside Middle School

March 30th 2009 – Reassigned date due to too many participants at previous date March 16th

Call Meeting to Order at: 7:13 p.m.

❖ President's Opening Summary – Lori Mitchell had to resign due to moving away. Motion made to replace Lori Mitchell with Daran Paone as Treasurer and Landscape Chairman. Motion Passed. The announcement of amendment being logged in at the city. It was voted on and passed in 1996 and now has been officially noted in the CC&R's at the County of Ventura. Creek bed clearing and replacement of rails on Sunnysdale have been replaced with thick wood instead of concrete and the posts are being replaced as necessary. Vandalism and camp fire in the mountain park and poles at the end of dog alley were damaged by what appeared to be a vehicle. We will look into a possible committee of Park Security to watch for this – since law enforcement cannot come until they are actually found in the act. Helicopter landing in the mountain park – we have contacted local training groups who responded that they were not theirs. Please call in if you see helicopter in the area and identify if possible.

❖ Secretary Report – Moved to waive the reading of the minutes – handout given to each board member. Call for a few minutes to review and then vote. Approval of February 2009 Minutes – waived – due to a correction needed to remove the names from the Open Session (for privacy purposes) before approval. Motion Passed.

❖ CC&Rs Committee Report – Thank you to all who volunteered for the Committees – Compliance and Re-Write – to let everyone know since there seems to be a mistaken notion that the Re-Write Committee would be deciding the cow/pig issue that has caused so much turmoil. This is NOT true and the board will decide how to proceed – whether with an amendment or not by the results of the ENITRE community via the board sanctioned survey that will be going out in the mail. The due date has changed from that which was noted in the newsletter since we had to postpone this March Meeting and were unable to vote on the content of said survey.

CC&R Violations are done and will be mailed with the bill we have added photographs to the violation notices to make it easier for the homeowner.

Most of this month's violations consisted of broken or missing parts to fencing – lack of landscaping and general appearances.

❖ Treasurers Report – Daran – put together a manual of operations for the board members – bring that forward at the executive sessions. Reserves have been transferred to Merrill Lynch. Motion made to approve report as given – Motion Passed.

❖ Landscaping Report - Daran Paone - Stay Green – presently going over the contract – making sure that they are doing work correctly – Trying to fix the Bougenville's on the fence and the ones under the pepper trees that are not thriving since Pepper Trees are not good for the plants and also went over the Tree's to be Trimmed.

❖ Arena Committee Report – Jackie Morley arena chair – dragging arenas twice a month – positive feedback on the arenas – we have someone tampering with the sprinkler timers and this has occurred in the last 4 weeks – two weeks was not working – and that they drug the arena without water. Budget of 20,000 for physical year – over last years' budget of \$6,000 – to have an increase to fix the arenas that are in very bad shape. The arenas add to the value of your home.

❖ Mountain Park Committee Report – Don Paone – Mountain Park – Chipper is working – had broken down and now working on the north end – removing the debris – Gates Six and Seven are fixed and are now working. Someone is living in dog alley – ranger went back there but could not find the person – Kids squeezing through the gate and jumping over Clean up the mountain park entrance – bee season – they are out – let us know. Picnic area at Meander, replaced cattle trough – and trails – taken care of. Gate three culvert is being cleaned and graded.

❖ Architectural Committee Report - report to follow – a number of violations we are currently pursuing. Process and guideline to follow and would become a part of the CC&R's and advance of that to have the rules posted – to allow the community to have consistent process to follow – More extensive list to come in coming months and David is working with him – Appeals process that will be more rounded out.

❖ Events Committee Report – Jennifer La Toree – Events coming up – and calendars will be handed out – review the schedule. May 9th – Saddle Up for St. Jude's – And Human Society fund-raiser.

❖ Website/Newsletter Lee – we were having issues with uploading documents and that seems to have been resolved – we are in progress of updating forms to be more legible and time relevant. Our next step will be to have the insurance reviewed and the status of all the trainers confirmed and updated to make sure we have included all that are approved and carry the proper insurance. Then the website will be updated (the information presently listed is the same that was on the website from the previous board – just reformatted to the new look.

Please bear with us as we are constantly striving to improve the site and ease of use with the addition of forms that are fully editable on-line without the need to print and fill out and scan.

❖ Open Floor (time allot 15 minutes) – each person has 3.5 minutes each to state their case – as rebuttal of the same length is awarded to the board.

Homeowner – original homeowners – do not have horses – do love them and enjoys watching them – does not know the percentages of those with or without – new base costing 100,000 cost – (rumor) no time to have competition arenas – at the homeowners – want to pay for it. Arenas are provided for our convenience. Equestrian not farming area.

Homeowner – Letter and petition to all – welcome open forum – concerned with the direction of the board – and do not have my approval as a board

Homeowner – Part of minutes – Lee Murray – opposition - at the same time stated the opposition and reminded that the board had to keep their – failure to report pigs and cows – Board has failed enforced – the CCR violations and send out a violation letter.

Homeowner – Still has a question – letter of passing of dues and budget increases – budget increases – and maximum allowance of dues – where is the transparency – since deadlines could not be met – have on open meeting – not closed secret sessions.

Homeowner – August 11th -2008 – Replacement of chain link with wooden fence – rejected the request – we informed the homeowner – rejected the appeal – did we have a secret meeting to overturn decision.

Homeowner – five year – residence – disappointment of past board members behaviors – bridle path is not just equestrian only – misleading information sent out to homeowners – bridle paths – rumors – let majority rule.

Homeowner – Amendment –

Homeowner – notarized – question - how can fence be overturned – back to emergency meeting of – where the minutes are for that minutes – budget and dues increase –

Homeowner – regards to CC&R revision committee – had 12 members – had 6 plus chair person – wants more members –

Homeowner – Lanquid original development – concern – over general – little pot belly pig – but when you use acreage as a qualified care giver – a shame that it comes to this – everybody has to have theirs – concerns about people having the animals and not caring for them.

Homeowner – Something else has come up since I have been here – not seeing transparency – all hidden meeting dues increases that don't appear to be legal.

Homeowner – bickering and fighting – have copies – of different kinds of horses – etc – stop the fighting and bickering

Homeowner – the purpose of the homeowners association to allow the city to over ride the HOA – where do – why is management not taking minutes. Just the bookkeepers – we should have a minute taker that is unbiased and accurate. Never allow –

Homeowner – wants to thank the board in the short time – more than any other board since she has been here – arenas are looking good – budget – where is all the money going – thing done cost more money – any complex costs \$150 month – grateful that we have horse people and understand their needs.

Homeowner – don't know a lot of you personally – don't understand – what you are doing and why –

Homeowner – How did you get my address and names – been here for 22 years – and this is sad to play in our sandbox – if you don't like it. You should be ashamed of yourself.

Homeowner – I don't know a lot of people here – and glad that people argue – People are involved – now – wanted to be more informed – how do like brussel sprouts – Upsetting to hear about it –

Concludes Open Session

❖ New Business/Items – Secretary – Motion to make Lee Murray Secretary – Motion Passed

Requests – Homeowner asked for extra key cards – will meet with executive session – – needed for six riders – look further into this.

Survey/City Amendment – Survey for cow/pig amendment due date change to April 30th. Results to be announced at the May Board Meeting. The next step taken will be based on the results. Motion made that In order for the survey to be valid there must be a minimum of 200 surveys cast and the addition (per the owners present) that yes/no box be added in front of each option. Motion Passed.

❖ Adjournment of the General Session.