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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT PUBLIC SAFETY and EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 10, 2017

Chaminade High School, West Hills CA

Revised August 11, 2017

Those in attendance were: Bob Brostoff, Simone Best, Ivan Blume (arrived 7:19 PM), Tom Booth (arrived 7:23), Tony Brosamle, Marge Brown, Steve Kallen, Steve Randall, Reeyan Raynes, Myrl Schreiber (arrived 7:23), Ron Sobel, Alec Uzemeck (arrived 7:11pm), and Brad Vanderhoof.

Committee Chair Bob Brostoff called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. A quorum was established.

There were no public comments.

The minutes of the July committee meeting were approved as amended.

New Business -- Numbers refer to agenda items:

1. Committee Co-chair: Bob asked for a volunteer to co-chair the committee with a focus on emergency preparedness. Tony volunteered and has the support of committee members. Bob and Tony will ask Dan to appoint Tony co-chair of the West Hills Neighborhood Council (WHNC) Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Committee at the next Operations Committee meeting.
2. Neighborhood Watch (NW) Sign Issue Process: Steve Kallen distributed a hardcopy of an e-mail he has sent out with the subject line, 'Per our conversation: WHNC Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness,' and reported on his contacts with applicants for signs and expressed disappointment that none of the prospective applicants are present at the meeting. He mentioned stakeholders are surprised and pleased that the effort is community, as opposed to LAPD, driven, and that the signs are provided by the WHNC at no cost. Stakeholders are frustrated at the lack of coordinated information available concerning existing NW groups. One stakeholder reported the recent installation of a non-WHNC NW sign near Woodlake and Bobbyboyer. Simone suggested sending committee meeting minutes to applicants for signs, and using NextDoor for social media outreach. Steve suggested the committee prepare an instruction sheet describing how to form a NW group or organize a block.
3. NW Sign Requests: Brad reported a sign mounting hardware part shortage. Bob will arrange to have the parts supplied by a non-profit.
4. Map Your Neighborhood: Steve Kallen will sort the MYN contact sheets to organize and eliminate duplicates.
5. General Discussion: Bob reported he has had many inquiries from stakeholders concerning what to do in the event of a nuclear attack. Marge distributed a handout from the internet with the handwritten title, "Nuclear Disaster – Shelter in Place."

Committee Chair Bob Brostoff adjourned the meeting at 7:31 PM.

The next meeting of this committee will be held: Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 6:30 PM, Chaminade High School Condon Center, second floor conference room.