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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT BOARD AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2023 @ 6:30 P.M.

**Chaminade College Preparatory – Condon Center 2nd Floor
23241 W. Cohasset Street, West Hills, CA 91304**

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1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum
2. Approval of Minutes of the March 21, 2023 Meeting
3. Comments and Announcements from the Chairs
4. Public Comment
5. Discussion and possible action on future cleanup events for cleanup events in October, November and December 2023.
6. Discussion and possible action on other Beautification events for the remainder of 2023
7. Discussion and possible action on spending requests
8. Recommendations for Certificates of Appreciation
9. Discussion and possible action on Right-of-Way (ROW) letters
10. Discussion and possible action on Strike Team Reports

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JOINT BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE/BOARD ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 @ 6:00 PM
Revised March 22, 2023

The Committee shall take official action by a simple majority of yes and no votes cast by the committee members present at a duly noticed regular or special Beautification Committee meeting, not to include abstentions. There shall be no proxy voting.

Attendance: Faye Barta, Dan Brin, Glenn Jennings, Vinura Kotuwelle, Heidi Manning, Steve Randall, Anthony Scearce, Myrl Schreibman, Joan Trent, and Brad Vanderhoof

Absent: Rosi Mariconda

Other Board Members in attendance: Miriam Schimmel

Co-chair Faye Barta called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

Numbers refer to agenda items:

1. Approval of Minutes of February 21, 2023: The minutes were approved.
2. Comments and Announcements from the Chairs: Faye said although the February 25 cleanup event was rained out on March 18th, a strike team accomplished 75% of the task.
3. Public Comment: None
4. Authorization for the Budget Committee to Transfer \$750 from the Beautification Committee Budget Allocation to the Streets and Transportation Committee: Anthony explained the Streets and Transportation Committee initially requested a budget of \$2550 but was allocated nothing. The request was on the August 2022 Budget Committee agenda but the meeting was cancelled. The item disappeared from the September agenda and the committee has been asking for funds for seven months. The committee is now requesting \$500. An artist is lined up and the project can be completed in the current fiscal year. Myrl said the approval project is lengthy. Dan said there are other late priorities like the Memorial Day parade and a cost increase over plan for the election flyer. Several committee members expressed safety concerns with painted boxes potentially distracting drivers. Faye said the Beautification Committee has \$914.56 remaining in the budget allocation

Roll call vote to approve the transfer of funds:

Faye Barta – No, Dan Brin – No, Glenn Jennings – No, Vinura Kotuwelle – Abstain,

Heidi Manning – Abstain, Rosi Mariconda – Absent, Steve Randall – No, Anthony Scearce – Yes

Myrl Schreibman – No, Joan Trent – No, Brad Vanderhoof – Yes

Yes – 2, No – 6, Abstain – 1, Absent – 2, Recuse – 0

The funds transfer is not approved.

5. Upcoming Cleanup Event on March 25, 2023: As previously decided the cleanup is on the north side of Roscoe from Fallbrook to Sale. 8:30 to 11:30 AM.

No action taken.

6. Future Cleanup Events for April, May and June 2023: The April Event will be April 22, from 8:30 to 11:30 AM, in conjunction with Volunteers Cleaning Communities along Sherman Way west of Fallbrook.

May suggestions; Myrl – The overgrown sidewalk on Platt from Keswick to Sherman Way. Heidi and Dan said mandatory brush clearance may take care of this. Heidi – the cul de sac by Deveron Ridge Road next to the park.

The committee selected the Platt cleanup location on May 20 from 8:00 to 11:00 AM.

The June cleanup will be the Deveron Ridge Road cul de sac on June 24 from 8:00 to 11:00 AM.

7. Other Beautification Events for 2023: Heidi suggested fire hydrant painting and Dan suggested planting flowers at the Post Office. No action taken.

8. Recommendations for Certificates of Appreciation: Glenn suggested Doris and Gregg Freisen for regularly helping at cleanups. Heidi suggested Fairwinds for litter pickup at Lazy J Ranch Park. Faye will bring these up at the next Operations meeting.

9. Right-of-Way (ROW) Letters: Glenn and Brad will check on the houses given ROW brochures and prepare letters as needed:

10. Strike Team Reports: None given.

Co-chair Faye Barta adjourned the meeting at 7:02 PM.