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## West Hills Neighborhood Council

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# **West Hills Neighborhood Council**

Joint Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Committee/ Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 21, 2018 6:30 PM

> IHOP Restaurant 22810 Vanowen Street West Hills, CA 91307

### Call to order:

- Meeting called to order 6:34 P.M.
- Members Present: Ivan Blume, Simone Best, Bob Brostoff, Anthony Brosamle, Steve Kallen, Steve Randall.
- Additional Attendees: Eileen Lubieniecka (elubieniecka@mac.com)

### **Public Comment:**

 Tony asked if we had enough volunteers for upcoming Springfest. Conversation included what's in place and intended next steps including but not limited to the Sign-Up sheet. Steve R. discussed "suggestive" selling of needed time slots when reaching out to Volunteers.

## Approval of Minutes from February 21, 2018

Tabled to April meeting to address February meeting attendees

### **Comments from Co-Chairs**

None

### **Old Business**

- Mae Boyer Park
  - Anticipated petition from Stakeholder Bonnie Johnson to WHNC Beautification meeting in March did not take place. Tony has contact particulars and will reach out to Ms. Johnson and will follow-up with Steve K. moving forward.

- Ivan brought up needed park changes (bathroom locks)...and it was agreed upon that bullet-pointed needs from Stakeholders is first and foremost.
- Mae Boyer Park will continue to be a focal point as incident(s) and Public Safety need to be addressed. Need Stakeholder involvement to move initiative/direction forward.

### **New Business**

- Forum for Seniors on Mail Theft, Fraud, and Scams
  - Agreed to calendarize for May 2018
  - Need to cement a venue...with Char to address.
  - Conversation included but not limited to do we need to highlight "Seniors"
  - We need to embrace a Title for event to include "Scam" ..." Prevention" ..."
    Seniors"
  - Bob to discuss with Bob Bash (LAPD) and SLO Sean Brown.
  - Do we need to include a private company to legitimize the event and include their customer base? Will consider moving forward.
  - Crimebusters to be queried about event content and advertising.
  - Bob to contact Fern for event input.
- RYLAN Program for LA City EMD
  - RYLAN replacing "5 Steps to Neighborhood Preparedness"
  - Map Your Neighborhood program has morphed into RYLAN...which is basically MYN with Los Angeles tweaks.
  - Printed material to be ready by April/May...anticipate materials at Springfest.
  - RYLAN will include a new CD.
  - Tony working with other Neighborhood Councils to Regionalize and embrace as a Natural Fit.
  - Our Social Media to embrace RYLAN.
  - RYLAN was put to a Committee vote and Unanimously Approved moving forward.
- New Campaign for NW Signs
  - Steve K. revisited the less than 10 contacts on file...without success.
  - o Ivan offered to email/call same contacts...with Steve K. to furnish.
  - Agreed that existing contacts are dated and a new potential customer base needs to start at Springfest.
- My Safe LA
  - My Safe charges for school presentations.
  - Agreed upon that My Safe be invited to a future WHNC Board meeting to make a presenation with suggested monies to be funder from Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee. Bob to invoite to Board meeting (April).

- While My Safe presentation to address from a 20,000-foot vantage point...will consider individual schools as well.
- Schools to be invited via a Forum event...with NPG monies funding it.
- Volunteer Surveillance Team initiative
  - o Joint committee (Public Safety / Streets & Transportation) initiative.
    - Steve K. has communicated with LAPD Devonshire Officer Blizzard who has put in touch with VST President Frank Peters.
    - Steve K. to learn more about program in play and discuss next steps with Streets & Transportation pursuant to approaching LAPD Topanga Division Captain Ryan.
    - Steve K. highlighted and Committee agreed that LAPD endorsement is critical moving forward and we need to learn more about the existing Paradigm in place to have initiative get traction.
- 11th Annual Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair on September 29th
  - Bob detailed historical participation and Stakeholder attendance.
  - Bill Hopkins initial request was for \$850 for the booth. After dialogue, he offered a free both (WHNC needs to only provide a table/banner).
  - Bill Hopkins suggested any donation would be well received
    - Unanimously agreed to furnish a n/c booth with Bob to facilitate with Bill.
    - Unanimously agreed to fund with remaining Board monies up to \$250...and subject to WHNC Board approval. Agreed to commit to n/c booth only at this point to secure the space with monies conversation to follow.

**General discussion on any other Committee matters** 

No discussion

**Meeting Adjournment** 

Adjournment at 7:36 PM