

**Minutes Of the  
May 14, 2012 Meeting  
Of the  
New Monterey Neighborhood Association**

The meeting was called to order by President Whipple at 7pm. Board member present was Dwight. Fosler arrived at 7:20pm to constitute a quorum. Evans was absent with permission.

Guest speakers from the MRWMD Board addressed the meeting. They were Kristi Markey, Judi Lehman and a member of MPWMD staff. Q&A addressed Dec 2016 State-required reduction of pumping from Carmel River aquifer, 4,000 acre foot annual overdraft, and projects that can provide the necessary water: a combination of aquifer recharging during the wet winter months, groundwater replenishment and a small desalinization facility.

They explained that Cal Am refused to continue to collect the MPWMD fee about 18 months ago, an administrative judge agreed, and a legal challenge is underway. Meanwhile, MPWMD needs the revenue to continue to monitor effects of drilling on Carmel River environs. The goal is to replace the old revenue in as impartial a way as possible with a tiered approach.

Whipple reported that he attended a meeting with City Manager Fred Meuer. His take-away from the meeting was that we did not have a crime spree last summer. Instead, we had a rash of opportunistic burglaries. The solution? Simply 'Close it, Lock it, Hide it'. That alone can go a long way toward reducing thefts in the neighborhood. If you live on the first floor and are going out? Close the window, lock the door. Lock your car. And keep valuables out of sight.

No Minutes or Treasurer's Report for approval.

NIP (Dwight): the neighborhood benefited well from the latest round of proposals selected by the committee for presentation to the City Council tomorrow night. There are \$575,000 worth of improvements to be proposed, including two traffic calming projects (David/Terry crosswalk and Prescott/Parcel curb extensions), three sidewalk improvements (Taylor 600 block, Hoffman 1500 block, Archer/ Drake), Scholze Park pavers, new wall, improved access and plantings, and Rec Trail crossings.

CERT (Dwight): a new class is forming for three Saturday starting 5/26. Another one is scheduled September 6-October 23 (seven Thursdays.) All are open to the public and all are recommended.

Bay View Academy (Whipple): He referenced a recent letter from the District soundly denying BVA use of the Bay View facilities. In spite of this, BVA excels even if confined by its present location. Its waiting list grows.

CRBID and the Airport: No reports

NMBA (Fosler): He is attending NMBA meetings. Relevant items were reported in the newsletter.

City Council: They recently reallocated water credits from city projects to mixed use projects rather than single family waiting list.

Planning Commission: Del Monte/Washington circulation plan was not accepted. Staff and consultants are taking another look at it. Staff has been invited to address NMNA in July prior to Planning Commission's meeting.

ARC will be looking at proposed new street signs for the Cannery Row area. Several concerns were raised by our board concerning precedents, compatibility, coordination with the rest of the City, maintenance, and ongoing costs. A letter to ARC was authorized stating our concerns to be authored by Dwight.

#### Old Business

DLI (Fosler): He heard there were significant challenges to the plans by Army officials, the EIS process has been halted, and that the whole plan was under review. He suggested a meeting to discuss status with the officers at the Presidio and was asked to schedule it as soon as possible.

#### New Business

Elections: the board decided to wait until we are closer to November to consider our activity.

Changes are being proposed on parking regulations. Dwight will follow this and report back

Guest speakers suggested for coming months include Christy Hopper to discuss New Monterey Historic Context Statement in June and a Planner from staff in July to discuss the Del Monte/Washington proposals.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9pm by Whipple.

Respectfully Submitted,

Howard Fosler  
Secretary