

**TARZANA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
BOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, May 28, 2013 7:00 PM  
Tarzana Elementary School  
5726 Topeka Drive  
Tarzana, CA 91356

1. **Call to Order by TNC President Kathy Delle Donne at 7 p.m.** Roll Call, Welcoming Remarks. **Roll Call:** Matt Austin, Eran Heissler, Susan Blauner, Varant Marjarian, Kathy Delle Donne, Elliot Durant, Eileen Maronde, Barry Edelman, Jon Reich, Max Flehinger, Paul Lawler, Doug Sarver, David Garfinkle, Deanna Scott, Denyse Selesnick Len Shaffer, Harvey Goldberg, Esther Wieder. **Absent:** Evan Levi, Sue Weidman, & Joyce Greene, **Pledge of Allegiance.** "America the Beautiful" sung by Warren Holden.
  
2. **Remarks by representatives of public officials:**
  - Introduction of Matt Margolis from Congressman Brad Sherman's Office who spoke about the Town Hall meeting in June to let the Congressman know what issues are important to the community.
  
  - Raffy Astvasadoorian, Neighborhood Prosecutor, who works on issues related to crime: His contact info is: 818 374-6837.
  
  - Senior Lead LAPD Officer Daryl Skoggins 12 burglaries, 3 cars stolen, 12 thefts in the month of April in Tarzana. August is National Night Out. Movie in the Park will include a free movie.
  
3. **Closing of Regular General Board Meeting:** (Selesnick) moved to recess the General Board meeting in order to initiate the Special Board Meeting. The motion carried.

**Special BOARD MEETING**

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**Special Board Meeting Initiated for the presentation of Earth Day Award Winners.**

Marina McLeod, chairperson for Earth Day, spoke about their theme, "How Does Your Garden Grow?" with Vice Chair Terry Saucier. Octaviano Rios, Field Deputy for Congressman Zine, issued Certificates of Appreciation.

Winners came from the following schools:

- Nestle Ave. Charter School's (Ms. Van).
- Tarzana Elementary School (Esther Weider)
- Portola Middle School (Suzanne Miller)
- Sherman Oaks Center for Enriched Studies (Shari Woods) was the winner of an additional \$250 Art Grant, donated by the Tarzana Property Owners Association, for the school's participation which was ruled "most representative of the theme."

Sponsors were thanked for their participation including Woodland Hills Chamber of Commerce, Yogurtland, and CPK.

**Special Board Meeting concluded at 7:24 p.m.**

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**Regular Board Meeting resumed at 7:31 p.m.**

**Public Comments** – Barbara Summers spoke about the reading program put together by the Jewish Federation to support children who need one-on-one. She is currently providing reading services for a student at Wilbur Elementary School.

**6. Budget & Finance Committee**, Chairperson Evan Levy, Chair was unable to attend.

**a. (Maronde/Majarian) moved to table approval of the monthly financial statement for April 2013. The motion carried unanimously.**

**b. (Maronde/Lawler) moved that the TNC approve the motion recommended by the Budget Committee: “Resolved that the TNC Board reverse and/or reduce the previously budget allocations for the phone from \$75 to \$60.” (General Operations budget). The motion carried.**

**(Maronde/Heissler) moved that the TNC approve the Land Use Committee’s previously-approved budget from \$1000 to \$579.16 from the General Operations budget.**

**(Sarver/Majarian) made a friendly amendment to change the budget reduction from \$579.16 to \$580.97. The amendment motion carried. The board then voted on the motion as amended.**

**c. (Maronde/Majarian) moved that the budget previously approved for Staffing & Temporary Help be reduced from \$3500 to \$2300 (General Operations). (Goldberg/Weider) made a friendly amendment that the budget reduction for Staffing and Temporary Help be amended to \$2700. The motion carried: 11-5-2. (Delle Donne, Lawler, Maronde, Reich, and Sarver opposed/Shaffer and Selesnick abstaining).**

**(Maronde/Majarian) moved that the Staffing & Temporary Help budget be reduced, as amended, from \$3500 to \$2700 (General Operations). The motion carried: 17-1-0 (Delle Donne opposed).**

**d. (Maronde/Scott) moved, “Resolved, that the TNC approve a budget allocation for the Animal Welfare Committee for \$400 for the General Operations budget.” The motion carried unanimously.**

**e. (Shaffer/Majarian) moved, “Resolved, that the TNC approve a budget allocation of \$825. for upgrading TNC’s current audio system to a wireless microphone system for the Operations budget.” Len explained the allocation would cover 8 wireless microphones and a mixer, mike stands and special clips for the wireless mics, 8 cables to connect the VHF mike rack to the mixer, batteries, and an extended warranty. **The motion carried: 17-1-0 (Reich opposed).****

- f. **(Maronde/Lawler) moved, “Resolved, that the TNC approve a budget allocation for the Outreach budget of up to \$2000 for promotional outreach items.” The motion carried: 16-2-0 (Flehinger/Goldberg opposed).**
7. **18700 Ventura Blvd. (Village Walk)- (Delle Donne/Heissler) moved the Land Use recommendation, “Resolved that the Tarzana Neighborhood Council support the granting of a conditional use permit for the on-site sale of beer & wine with eleven conditions (see below) at Lyfe Kitchen/ Restaurant.” The motion carried unanimously.**

On May 6, 2013 the Land Use Committee of the Tarzana Neighborhood Council voted to support the conditional use permit for the on-site sale and consumption of beer and wine with the following conditions:

1. On-site sales be allowed both in the interior of the restaurant and on the patio;
2. Occupancy numbers to be determined by the Planning Dept. and Building & Safety;
3. Patio to be separated from main walking area with barrier per ABC requirements;
4. The hours for the on-site sale and consumption of beer and wine will be 7:00 am-9:00 pm, 7 days a week;
5. Sale of alcohol for off-site consumption shall not be permitted;
6. Sale of beer and wine shall be made only in conjunction with food sales;
7. No separate bar or cocktail lounge is permitted in the restaurant;
8. Coin operated games, pool tables or similar game activities or equipment are not permitted on the premises;
9. No dancing, amplified music, or live entertainment, including adult entertainment is included in the restaurant;
10. Any signage shall be in strict compliance with the applicable provisions of the Ventura-Cahuenga Boulevard Corridor Specific Plan;
11. The term of this grant for the on-site serving of alcohol, shall be valid for a period of ten (10) years from the effective date of this action, after which time it shall become null and void and a new conditional use shall be required to be filed for the sale of alcohol. Additionally, Chipolte Restaurant was granted a term of seven years, not ten, as was requested by TNC.

**8. Budget Rep Report:** Jon Reich reported on the latest Budget Rep meeting. He said the main success was in opposing efforts by the City Council to have election funds taken out of the Neighborhood Councils' budgets. He believes next year the most important thing will be to increase participation in the Budget Survey.

**9. Public Safety Committee: (Durant/Weidman) moved that TNC write a letter of support letter to Michael Schull and Ramone Baras from Rec & Parks for a new playground at Tarzana Park.”** Elliot stated that \$200,000 has been set aside in Quimby Funds. **The motion carried unanimously.**

#### **10. Committee and Representative Reports:**

**Animal Welfare Committee** – Deanna Scott, Chairperson, spoke about the feral cat program, a dog walking program at the animal shelter, co-existing with coyotes, and info on equestrian matters.

**Energy & Environment Committee** – Marina McLeod, Chairperson, said a meeting would be taking place with the schools to find out about their energy initiatives and their Green List.

**Outreach Committee** - Denyse Selesnick, Chairperson, gave a report on upcoming items under Outreach, including plans for TNC's plans for a booth in August at Concerts on the Green, next March's election which will require recruiting, and several ideas for ways to promote TNC.

**Public Safety Committee** – Elliot Durant, Chairperson, talked about a brochure for disaster awareness and plans for a school assembly in the fall to provide kids with awareness about disaster preparedness. Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> is the Great CA Quake Shakeout event at the Warner Center.

**Transportation/Mobility Committee** – Mark Weiner – Kathy said Mark was not able to attend but there have been inquiries about the tunnel reopening and he is hoping to set up a meeting at Tarzana Park on this item.

**Rules Committee** – Len Shaffer, Chairperson, - No report.

**Farmers' Market** – Warren Holden – No report.

**DWP MOU Representative** - Joyce Greene – No report.

**BONC Commission & LANCC** - Len Shaffer stated that there is a new commissioner for South L.A. – Arnetta Mack. Len has been giving input on the budget for NCs at BONC. He spoke about upcoming meetings, the eight new City Council members,

**11. Board Member Comment** – Len suggested a training be held for board members. Kathy said she would send out a request for training topics. It was suggested that a Saturday be set aside for a training rather than trying to do it at a board meeting.

**Harvey** asked for an accounting on the status of items that were previously funded. Since Evan Levi was not available, Kathy said it would be prudent to wait until he could provide those figures. Kathy provided some additional information.

**12.** Meeting Adjourned at 9:20 p.m.