**TARZANA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

**BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday May 28, 2019**

**Tarzana Elementary School Auditorium**

**5726 Topeka Dr., Tarzana, CA 91356**

1. **Call to Order** at 7:02 p.m. by Len Shaffer, TNC president. **Roll Call:** Scott Diamond, Barry Edelman, Max Flehinger, David Garfinkle, Harvey Goldberg, Joyce Greene, Eran Heissler, Susan Lord, Jeff Mausner, Iris Polonsky, Michael Povar, Susan Rogen, Terry Saucier, Len Shaffer, Bob Schmaeff (arrived at 9:10), Richard Silverman, Jennifer Varela, and Esther Wieder. Quorum reached with 18 members. (Pam Blattner absent). Welcoming Remarks and Pledge.
2. **Remarks by representatives of public officials:** Betty Wong reminded board members that $10,000 can be rolled over to the next fiscal year. Funding deadline: June 1st is the last day for check request payments. She will install the new board at the Special Meeting. There is a new portal for required trainings – the Cornerstone – for online training. There are also live trainings.

**City Council Rep. Bob Blumenfield announced:**

* They have **j**ust completed the budget process.
* He held a press conference with the City Attorney about charges filed against the Blue Moon Massage Parlor for operating as a brothel.
* On June 9th they are holding a forum on Cyber Security at library (Van Owen/Van Alden).
* This summer, they will be holding a CERT training. It’s a 7-week course.

1. **Public Comments** – None.

**Meeting put on hold for Earth Day Awards at 7:16 p.m.**

**Meeting reconvened at 8:05**

1. **Budget Advocate Report:** Jeff reported on their May 6th presentation to the Budget Committee on their White Paper recommendations. Two recommendations have already been adopted. June 29th is the Annual Budget Day at City Hall.
2. **Executive Secretary’s Attendance Report:** Max said no one has four or more absences.
3. **Approval of minutes of** **April 23, 2019: (Heissler/Goldberg) moved to approve the minutes as amended. The motion carried.**

**Approval of minutes of the Special Meeting on May 6, 2019: (Heissler/Goldberg) moved to approve the minutes as amended. The motion carried.**

**Len then recalled this motion and made an amendment to add the May 6th minutes to the agenda. The motion carried and the May 6, 2019 minutes were approved.**

1. **Expenditures: (Goldberg/Polonsky) moved approval of the April 2019 expenditures for submission to the City Clerk (MER). The motion carried.**
2. **Financial Statements: (Goldberg/Wieder) moved approval of the Financial Statements as of April 30, 2019. The motion carried.**
3. **Committee and other Reports**

**Outreach** – Jennifer did not have a report. Len said TNC is getting hits off of the FB pages.

**Events** – Esther is holding a meeting next month to plan next year’s activities.

**Land Use** – David went on the DWP “L.A. and Beyond” trip which he found very interesting. He also spoke about the brothel on Ventura Blvd. Len referred to SB 50 which has been put on hold for the rest of the year. David said, SB 313 also has to do with densification.

**Budget** – Harvey reminded the board that June 1st is the last day to submit a check request. The last day to use the credit card is June 20th. He asked the board to submit to him their budget requests for the next fiscal year.

**Transportation** – Max said Veronica will alert the board if any proposed measures come up before them re: road diets. The Council office is going to try to help with enforcement of truck parking violations. He reported road improvements. CalTrans has not responded to the request for exit closure alerts.

**Public Safety** – Susan Rogen said they had a great meeting with LAFD. She thanked Max for helping with a stakeholder. David added that the Tarzana Property Owners Association had their annual Town Hall Forum on May 14th and it was very informative but very low attendance.

**Animal Welfare** – Jeff talked about the dangers of foxtails to pets. The Super Adoption Event at Warner Park on May 18-19 helped adopt 249 dogs and 174 cats. City Stats for March: 94.9 live save rate for dogs and 86.7% for cats (below the no kill cutoff) at the shelters. For W. Valley shelter it was 98% for dogs and 94.8% for cats.

**Beautification** – Iris said they are trying to institute getting murals under overpasses at several locations. Michael and Barry have been helping her.

**Homeless Representative** – Susan Lord said there is an event coming up at One Generation. They did a homeless outreach event recently with free lunches and met people who need services. They would like to continue doing this event once a month.

1. **Reversal of Budget: (Goldberg/Polonsky) moved, “Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Budget Committee’s recommendation regarding the reversal of previously budgeted and not required expenses. Total net reversal of previously budgeted items $1,438.56 (Operations $587.19, Outreach $206.37 and Elections $645.00). The total amount to be returned to Unallocated.” The motion carried unanimously.**
2. **Grant Request: (Goldberg/Diamond) moved, “Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Budget Committee’s recommendation regarding the request from the Tarzana Elementary School to support their Accelerated Reader program, a reading software program that teaches students how to read, cite textual evidence, write and take comprehensive quizzes to measure progress to identify student independent reading levels, for the 2019-2020 school year with a NPG for $3,479.00. To be classified as a NPG and come from Unallocated.”** Esther recused herself from this vote. **The motion carried with 17-0-1 recusal.**
3. **NC Congress Funding: (Goldberg/Lord) moved, “Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Budget Committee’s recommendation to support the 2019 Congress of Neighborhoods for $1,500. To be classified as Outreach, Events, Congress of Neighborhoods and come from Unallocated. The motion carried unanimously.**
4. **Awards Event: (Goldberg/Polonsky) moved, “Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Budget Committee’s recommendation to support the 2019 Congress of Neighborhoods-Networking/EmpowerLA Awards event for $500. To be classified as Outreach, Events, Congress of Neighborhoods Awards and come from Unallocated.” The motion carried unanimously.**
5. **Budget Advocate Request**: **(Goldberg/Heissler) moved, “Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Budget Committee’s recommendation to deny the request of our Budget Advocate to support the Budget Advocates with $500.”**

**(Mausner/Shaffer) moved a substitute motion, “Resolved, the TNC approve the request of the Budget Advocate to approve the request to support the Budget Advocate in the amount of $500.00.”**

Budget Advocate Glenn Bailey supported Jeff’s motion. His NC has allocated $1,000.

**Jeff’s motion failed: 1-14-3. (Saucier, Varela and Greene recused).**

**The board then voted on the original motion to deny the budget advocate’s request for $500 in funding. The motion carried: 15-2-1 (Mausner and Edelman opposed, Varela abstaining).**

1. **Sound System: (Goldberg/Diamond) moved, “Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Budget Committee’s recommendation to approve the request from our President to increase the budget approved by the TNC Board at the April 23, 2019 meeting for the purchase a new wireless sound system and accessories by an amount not to exceed $3000 for a total expenditure not to exceed $7000. The vendor to be B&H Photo or a local vendor to be determined. To be classified as Operations, General, Sound System and come from Unallocated.” The motion carried unanimously.**
2. **Revised Budget: (Goldberg/Polonsky) moved, “Resolved: Based on approval of the above agenda items 11 through and including item 16, the TNC Board approves a revised budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019 to include those items.****” The motion carried unanimously.**
3. **President’s Remarks**:

* Len said there will be a Special meeting at 7 p.m. on June 11, 2019 for the new board’s installation, committee appointments and certificates.
* The regular meetings for TNC in June and July will be held at the Child Care Center.
* DONE GM Grayce Liu is moving to a new position which creates a new vacancy.
* Taste of Tarzana June 18th, $40 per, with numerous restaurants.

1. **Board Member Comment** – Jeff said the DWP aquifer trip is really interesting and informative, as David pointed out.
2. **Future Agenda Items and other Calendar Events** – None.
3. **Adjournment**: Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.
   * + - Minutes by Pat Kramer, Apple One -