## Minutes of the

# ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (ANC)

Special Joint Meeting of the Board and
Elections Adhoc Committee
Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013
Arleta Assembly of God Church 9757 Arleta Ave., Arleta

## 1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance and introductions.

President Sergio Ibarra called the Meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. The pledge of Allegiance was lead member James R Kallas. Roll call was taken by Secretary Luisa Chajon.

#### **Board Members Present:**

Sergio Ibarra David Avalos Henry Ng

Kelly Magallanes Esmeralda Gutierrez Luisa Chajon

Juan Gonzalez Celia Vasquez Sammy Vasquez

Jack Lindblad James Kallas

Board Members Absent:

John Hernandez Cyndee Riding Christian Guerra

10 Board Members were present. A quorum is nine, so the Board could make Motions and take votes.

#### 2. Presidents Message

President Ibarra thanked all those in attendance

# 3. Review of the ANC Code of Conduct

#### 4. General public comments on items not on today's agenda

**Speaker**: <u>Dianne Hand</u>: The unit she requested from the fire department was denied. She thanked each member of the board for their support in trying to get the unit. She will keep trying to get the much needed 800 Series BLS Ambulance for Fire Station 7.

**Speaker:** Robert Mercado, announced the Neighborhood Watch Summer Clean-up and Block Party taking place on Saturday, July 13, 2013 12-5pm. 13222 Debell St. Arleta, CA 91331 Speaker(s): Ana Rosa & Jacqueline Bartz, Today was the first day of the Summer of Solutions program. It was held at Branford Park. It will also be held at Canterbury Elementary. It begins at 10:00am

**Speaker:** Ana Rosa and Jaqueline Bartz: Today was the first day of their Summer of Solutions program. They met at Branford Park. The second part of the program is held at Canterbury Elementary School's garden area. The program starts at 10:00 am.

# 5. Report from Public Safety Departments from L.A.P.D Senior Lead Officer Lee Perry Or any LAFD representatives. Updates from any other government officials (Congressman Cardenas' Office, Assemblyman Bocanegra's Office, LA City Council District Staff Representative or City Departments

**Speaker:** Officer Perry-reported that crime in Arleta Averages 40 crimes in 30 days but that it is down 13%. There is no increase in Juvenile crimes. Parties on fridays/Saturday are the biggest problems in Arleta. Most crime happens at parties. There is no curfew for parties but there is zero tolerance for loud parties. Violators will be cited. He added that they will be citing for fireworks. they are illegal in the city of Los Angeles. There will be 80% coverage on the 4th of July meaning there will be more officers on the street. Sergio Ibarra asked if there was an increase in homicide. Officer Perry answered by saying the only homicide happened in April. Juan Gonzalez asked if the mobile Ice Cream vendors were allowed to play their "ping" in the nighttime. Officer Perry answered by saying the "ping" has to be off at 9:00 but Ice Cream vendors can still do business.

**Speaker:** Lorena Bernal-CD6, She introduced the My 311 App for Smartphones. Anyone with the app can now report anything ranging from dumped items, down trees, bin replacements, pothole repairs, dead animal pickup, and a number of other things.

# 6. Board comments on items not on today's agenda.

**Speaker:** <u>David Avalos</u> mentioned he will be attending a private school in Ohio and will resign from the board in August.

**Speaker:** <u>Jack Lindblad.</u> He attended the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Council Meetings. He will ask the CIC committee to endorse the letter to create a new national recreation area near Rim of the Valley. A more in depth discussion will take place at the Community Improvement Committee Meetings.

**Speaker:** <u>Juan Gonzalez</u>. He is expecting information from the safety committee regarding a meeting he will attend in July.

**Speaker:** <u>Jim Kallas.</u> He expressed concern with the quality of the minutes. Some Information is missing from the last meeting.

# 7. New Changes to the Neighborhood Council Funding program.

Neighborhood Councils will now be receiving checkbooks. They will now be able to write checks. More information about the program is to be released. These changes will take place on July 1st.

# 8. <u>a.Committee reports from Outreach, Improvement, and Budget 7b. Appointment of a new Treasurer and assignment of Purchase Card 8c. Selection of a second signatory.</u>

**8a** CIC Report from Jack Lindblad: presented a draft letter in Support of Hovanes Margarian who wanted a lot split into two single family residential parcels at 13423 West Truesdale creating a lot for street access. He drafted a letter in support of this action and presented it

to the rest of the board.

**8b** Sergio Ibarra nominated Kelly Magallanes for Treasurer. She is currently the Secretary. Jack Lindblad nominated Celia Vasquez for Treasurer.

Kelly Magallanes is to resign as secretary and take over the position of Treasurer.

**MOTION** (by Sergio Ibarra, Second by Henry Ng) to nominate Kelly Magallanes as Treasurer

MOTION PASSED 11 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstain

MOTION (by Sergio Ibarra, Second by Jack Lindblad) to assign the debit card to Kelly Magallanes

**MOTION PASSED** 11 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstain

**MOTION** (by Sergio Ibarra, Second by Celia Vasquez) to appoint Sergio Ibarra as the second signatory.

MOTION PASSED 11 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstain

- 9. a.Discussion and possible board action on the creation of a Elections Committee to recruit new board members and organize board elections for 2014. 9b. Budget \$3,700 for Elections related expenditures including purchase newspaper advertises and any other related expenses
  - **8a. MOTION** (by Jack Lindblad, Second by Kelly Magallanes) to create an elections committee

**MOTION PASSED** 11 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstain

**Speaker:** Margaret Shoemaker - Unless a standing committee is listed in the bylaws, all other committees are Ad Hoc, therefore the creation of an elections committee has to be an Ad Hoc Elections Committee.

**Speaker:** <u>Jack Lindblad</u> - Requested for reconsideration to create an elections committee Until someone will volunteer to head the committee. There is no point in having a committee if there is no chair.

**MOTION** (by Jack Lindblad, Second by Luisa Chajon) to reconsider the last board Action to create an election committee

**MOTION FAILED** 4 in favor, 5 non - favor, 1 abstain

10. <u>Discussion and possible board action on the recommendation from the Community Improvement Committee for a zoning case at 13423 W. Truesdale Street, Arleta, CA 91331. Subdivision of a Residential property.</u>

Support the property owner who wants to install a lot that would accommodate 1-3 family dwellings

**MOTION** (by James Kallas, Second by Sammy) to approve and submit the letter drafted by Jack Lindblad Arleta Neighborhood Council Board action on June 18, 2013 affirmed previous Community Improvement (CI) Committee recommendation supportive of a parcel map lot split of one parcel into two single family residence parcels by applicant Hovanes Margarian at 13423 W Truesdale St 91402 - Creating a flag configured lot for street access-

with Categorical Exemption from CEQA review.

# MOTION PASSED 11 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstain

# 11. Update on the Debell Neighborhood Watch Block Party on Saturday, July 13m 2012.

Robert Mercado invited board members to get involved and attend the clean up an block party.

# 12.a Motion for the reconsideration of the following item:

Discussion and possible board action to reauthorize the National Night Out Committee Ad Hoc Committee to help organize the event to be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2013, location to be determined. Appoint a chair for the Adhoc Committee and members from the Council. Discussion and possible board action on allocating an amount not to exceed \$5000 from the 2013-2014 budget for any associated costs to run the event. (ex. Outreach materials, food items, tent rentals, portable bathrooms, supplies, jumpers, snow cone machine,

# and/or permitting fees)

There was discussion as to whether to have a National Night out as a community in one location or to get each Neighborhood Watch to have their own. James Kallas made a motion to rescind an item voted and approved by the board in the previous meeting. The motion died. James Kallas wanted it rescinded because he was not sure if the board would have enough time to set up a National Night Out.

**Speaker:** <u>Terry Hendricks</u> - What's the purpose of having a National Night out if the police department will not be there.

**Speaker:** <u>Joy Bizar</u> - National Night Out is about taking the neighborhood back.

**Speaker:** Margaret Shoemaker - She has been a CPAB member for 20 years. National Night Out has always been about police working together with the community members.

**Speaker:** <u>Sergio Ibarra</u> - National Night Out has become more and more a part of the community

**Speaker:** <u>James Kallas</u> - He and Al Piantanida talked about proposing that each of the 6 Neighborhood Watches have their own National Night Out and try to get their neighbors involved with their neighborhood watch.

# 12b. <u>Discussion and possible board action on rescinding the allocated \$5000 from the 2013-2014 budget for any associated costs to run the event. (ex. Outreach materials, food items, tent rentals, portable bathrooms, supplies, jumpers, snow cone machine, and/or permitting fees)</u>

Point of Information from Robert Rouge. Pacoima will have their National Night Out at Roger Jessup Park. Mission Area Station is planning to hold one at Brand Park. Other communities are having a National Night Out.

**10a. MOTION** (by James Kallas, Second by Juan Gonzalez) to rescind the \$5000 which The board previously approved last month until a determination is made by the board whether or not to have a National Night Out.

**MOTION FAILED** 3 in favor, 5 non - favor, 3 abstain

- 13. <u>Discussion and possible board action on setting a date for a Special Joint Meeting of the ANC Budget Committee to draft and approve the 2013-2014 Budget. An approved budget must be submitted to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment by July 12, 2013</u> A tentative date of June 28th at 6:00pm was agreed upon by board members.
- 14. Update on: Consideration of complaint submitted to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and forwarded to the ANC by Mr. Guy Dionne. According to Article XI of the ANC bylaws, Section C: Stakeholders may submit their names to the board to be included in a pool of those wishing to serve on an ANC Grievance Committee. Once the board receives the grievance, it shall be placed on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled Board meeting after the grievance is filed (Board Acknowledge on 02/19/13)

  There is no new info on the grievance filed by Mr Guy Dionne. Joy Bizar has submitted a grievance report claiming Sergio Ibarra has violated the bylaws by not posting meeting notices

# 15. Discussion and possible board action for the removal of the president of the board

James Kallas was given 5 minutes to speak. He requested the item be tabled and be brought back in an agenda in July and have 45 minutes to discuss the item or to have a special board meeting to handle the item. Sergio Ibarra denied the request. James Kallas made a motion to table the item and be brought back in July's meeting of the board or hold a special meeting where he can have 45 minutes to present the item. Jack Lindblad seconded the motion, bu then rescinded his second because he misunderstood the motion. POINT OF ORDER from Margaret Shoemaker -The removal procedure is clearly stated in the the bylaws. Sergio Ibarra stated the item is a vote of confidence on the president and he can be removed by majority vote of the board.

**Speaker:** Robert Rouge - Read Section 5 of the Bylaws in point of information.

**Speaker:** <u>Joy Bizar</u> - Read the grievance report she filed.

Note: Esperanza Gutierrez and David Avalos leave the meeting. 9 members present.

There was a vote by the board

Remove Sergio Ibarra as president 5 No's (Ibarra, Magallanes, C. Vasquez, S. Vasquez, Lindblad), 4 Yes's (Kallas, Chajon, NG, Gonzalez)

# 16. Recode LA - City of Los Angeles is working on new zoning for the city

Item was tabled at this time.

# 17. Approval of the Minutes for the meetings of April 22, 2013 and May 28, 2013

**MOTION** (by Celia Vasquez, Second by Henry Ng) to approve minutes with corrections for May 28, 2013

**MOTION PASSED** 8 in favor, 1 non - favor, 0 abstain

# 18a. <u>Discussion and Possible board action on treasurer's report 18b. Monthly</u> Reconciliation

The Treasures report was present and continued.

# 18b. Monthly Reconciliation for June

The reconciliation report was presented to the board.

# 18cApproval of the quarterly reconciliation report for March 2013 and June 2013

**MOTION** (by Celia Vasquez, Second by Kelly Magallanes) to approve the Quarterly report ending in June

**MOTION PASSED** 8 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstain

**MOTION** (by Kelly Magallanes, Second by Sammy) to approve the treasurer's report. **MOTION PASSED** 8 in favor, 1 non 0 favor, 0 abstain

# 19. Next meeting of the ANC board will be on July 16, 2013 at 6:30pm at a TBD location

# 20. Adjournment

**MOTION** (by Luisa Chajon, Second by ) to adjourn the meeting at 10:

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## 1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance and introductions.

The meeting began at 6:41. Roll Call was taken by secretary Kelly Magallanes. Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Sergio Ibarra

#### **Board Members Present:**

Sergio Ibarra Henry Ng David Avalos Esperanza Gutierrez Juan Gonzalez Jack Lindblad Kelly Magallanes James Kallas Celia Vasquez

Board Members Absent:

John Hernandez Cyndee Riding Christian Guerra Luisa Chajon

9 Board Members were present. A quorum is nine. The board members could make motions and take votes.

Note: Luisa Chajon arrives at 6:47PM. 10 board members are now present.

#### 2. General Public Comment on Items not listed on today's Agenda.

**Speaker:** <u>Sigal Adini</u>- Last year she helped sponsor students from Arleta High School which participated in the Say No To Drugs Race held at Universal Studios. She hopes the ANC can sponsor students this year. She submitted her proposal to Outreach Chair Luisa Chajon. **Speaker:** <u>Margaret Shoemaker</u> - She requested the order of business be changed. Expressed concern that the minutes aren't being corrected by the board as a whole.

# 3. Discussion and possible board action on the applications for all open board positions

Eberardo Sanchez resigned leaving the faith-based position vacant. Pastor Sammy Vasquez applied for the position. He was verified as a candidate by President Sergio Ibarra.

**MOTION** (by Jack Lindblad, Second by Luisa Chajon) to appoint Pastor Sammy Vasquez as faith-based representative

**MOTION PASSED** 10 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstain

# 5. Adjournment

The meeting Special Joint Meeting of the board was adjourned at 7:00pm