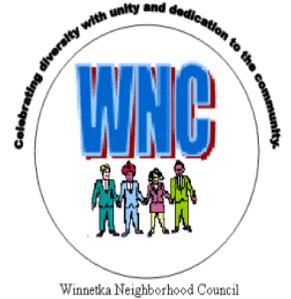


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From: JJ Popowich
 To: WNC Board Members, Public
 Re: WNC Regular Board Meeting Minutes for 8/09/05

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Call to Order and Board Members Roll Call.**

Jacque Lamishaw	JJ Popowich	Bob Basch	Marilyn Robinson
Dwight Burgess	Armineh Chelebian	Wayne Schulte	Chris Jurgenson
Cynthia Conover	Richard Montaine		Alan Wolfe – Absent

3. **Approval of minutes from the last meeting.**

3.1. No changes were raised. Minutes approved.

4. **State and local government representatives updates: Senator Alarcon’s representative, Assemblyman Levine’s representative, Mayor Hahn’s representative, Councilman Smith’s representative, Councilman Zine’s representative, and other local or state government representatives that may wish to attend.**

4.1. Ms. Espinoza introduced herself. She has one announcement that she is moving on to City Hall to work on legislative issues for Councilmember Zine. She doesn’t know who her replacement will be at this time or her official last day. She will let everyone know as soon as she knows. She spoke about how much she has enjoyed working in this community. She announced Councilmember Zine will be holding a P.O.S.S.E. training next Tuesday, August 23rd, at his office. She spoke a bit about what P.O.S.S.E. is. She congratulated the NC’s and the community for the successful National Night Out event last week and the great turnout. She spoke about the Canoga Park All America City Award and the celebration that happened last week. She wanted to invite other communities in Los Angeles to apply for this award. Applications will be available at a later date.

4.2. Mr. Durazo from DONE introduced himself. He said it is very difficult to make it out to all the NC’s as there are so many. He asked for patience as he will attend as many as he can. For example, tonight he could also have attended the Sylmar inauguration. He also wanted to remind everyone that while we are exempt from the Form 700, he wanted to remind everyone that we need to be careful to make sure that if we have any financial interests then they need to recuse themselves.

4.2.1. Mr. Jurgenson asked what the Form was.

4.2.1.1. Mr. Durazo explained that it outlines the financial interests that a Board member has as it is not only a civil, but a criminal offense. He went on to congratulate Ms. Espinoza on her promotion.

4.2.2. Ms. Lamishaw said that there have been a few times when some members have recused themselves.

4.3. Michael Conrtez from Cynthia Montanez office. He said that the Assemblywoman has been working very hard on the Identify Theft issues and referenced the recent ID Theft meeting. He has spoken to Ms. Robinson to begin to work on an ID Theft forum on October 6th. They will have additional information as the time comes closer. He too congratulated Ms. Espinoza.

5. **Discussion and action to appoint one Board member to fill the remaining year of former WNC Councilman Ken Molock. We will call for volunteers; ask for nominations, seconds and then vote. Any interested stakeholder is eligible.**
 - 5.1. Ms. Lamishaw introduced the issue. She introduced Mr. Molock and explained that we will be filling his vacant seat. She said that we will be calling for candidates who wish to fill those seats. She asked who would like to be considered.
 - 5.2. Mr. Schulte asked to be considered.
 - 5.3. Mr. Montaine asked to be considered.
 - 5.4. Ms. Robinson asked to nominate Mr. Sims.
 - 5.5. Mr. Lace asked if it was appropriate for the old Board to do this.
 - 5.5.1. Mr. Basch explained that we need a quorum in order to appoint the new Board. So this is being done by this Board so that the new Board can continue to do this.
 - 5.5.2. Mr. Lace asked if they reviewed the By-Laws which are sketchy. He said that it says the appointees are no longer in force.
 - 5.5.3. Mr. Basch reiterated that the information from Ms. Bell, who oversees the election results had authorized the old Board to remain in force until the new one is seated.
 - 5.6. Ms. Conover asked to nominate Mr. Jurgenson.
 - 5.7. Ms. Lamishaw said that we need a majority of five to approve this and we need to elect one out of the four.
 - 5.8. There was discussion on how we would conduct the vote. The options were to either do it by a voice vote or by a ballot vote. Mr. Durazo commented that the vote must be public. Mr. Basch explained the way we did it last time was to do a ballot and then made them public if requested. Mr. Durazo was pointed out that the ballots must be kept and saved for future review. The group generally decided to do the ballot version and the vote was taken.
 - 5.9. Mr. Durazo read the vote:
 - Mr. Art Sims: 4
 - Mr. Richard Montaine: 3
 - Mr. Wayne Schulte 2
 - Mr. Chris Jurgenson: 1
 - 5.10. Mr. Popowich asked for a recount to make sure he got the right totals. It was verified that Mr. Sims was elected with a majority of 4 votes.
6. **Introduction of Commissioner Pat Herrera-Duran from BONC who will swear in newly elected board member to fill vacancy.**
 - 6.1. Ms. Lamishaw introduced Ms. Herrera-Duran to induct Mr. Sims
 - 6.2. Ms. Herrera-Duran swore Mr. Sims into office.
7. **Retirement ceremony for all outgoing Board members. President will present retirement gifts.**
 - 7.1. Ms. Lamishaw announced that we will be having a retirement ceremony for the members who are outgoing. She reintroduced Ms. Espinoza.
 - 7.2. Ms. Espinoza commented that she was here to provide certificates from Councilmember Zine and Councilmember Smith to the outgoing Board for their service. She presented each outgoing Board member with a certificate.
 - 7.3. Ms. Lamishaw said that she had a token of appreciation for putting up with her for the last year and a half and all of their hard work. She said she enjoyed working with all of us and looks forward to working with us in the future.

8. **Brief intermission for refreshments.**

9. **Swearing in ceremony for the four elected Board members: JJ Popowich, Dwight Burgess, Eric Lace, and Jozef Essavi. Commissioner Pat Herrera-Duran will preside over the ceremonies.**

9.1. Ms. Lamishaw announced the swearing in ceremony.

9.2. Ms. Herrera-Duran swore the four newly elected Board members in.

9.3. Ms. Espinoza presented the newly elected representatives their certificates.

9.4. Ms. Lamishaw introduced Ms. Seaman from Assemblyman Levine's office.

9.4.1. Ms. Seaman congratulated everyone on their election and commented on how this shows that that the NC system works. She said that the Assembly is currently in recess. She said that up until September 17th, new items will be considered. She announced that Assemblyman Levine has worked to get a new DUI law passed and has been successful. The new law lowers the level of alcohol for what is considered extremely intoxicated. This allows judges and juries to impose harsher penalties. This has been signed into law. She announced that on September 15th, the Assemblyman will be holding an art exhibition (5 PM, Van Nuys State Building) to exhibit his work. She concluded by announcing the August news paper is on line and it will be distributed via email.

10. **Discussion and action to select seven appointed members including one youth representative. We will call for volunteers; ask for nominations, seconds, and then vote.**

10.1. Ms. Lamishaw introduced the item. She asked all candidates to come up and introduce themselves.

10.2. Mr. Lace asked if we shouldn't vote for the Board officers first with just the elected Board members.

10.2.1. Ms. Lamishaw said no. She went on to say that we need to vote for the appointees first.

10.3. Ms. Chelebian asked how we would run the process from A to Z.

10.3.1. Mr. Lace asked if DONE has any rules on how we should do this.

10.3.2. Ms. Lamishaw asked Mr. Lace to stop addressing Mr. Durazo as she is still the President. She said the Board Rules don't spell out how it should be done.

10.3.3. Mr. Durazo said that each candidate is usually voted on individually.

10.3.4. Ms. Lamishaw said we can't vote until we know the candidates. She said that we can either just vote for one of six, or we can nominate from the list of candidates.

10.3.5. Ms. Chelebian brought up the point that we shouldn't do it one at a time, but after we hear everyone we should have a nomination and then a Board member will second and then we can vote on it.

10.3.6. Ms. Lamishaw read off the agenda item and said that is how it's written so that's how we will do it.

10.4. Ms. Chelebian clarified that we have six adult positions. What happens if we nominate 4 of the 8 that are here? Then we vote. What happens if they get the highest vote?

10.4.1. Ms. Lamishaw clarified that we have to have a majority of 5 for a vote.

10.5. Mr. Basch, a candidate, asked if we have time.

10.5.1. It was generally decided that each would have about 3 minutes to speak. Mr. Molock would be the time keeper.

10.6. Mr. Howard Seflin introduced himself. He has been a resident for several years and is a Board President for the Franciscan II Home Owners Association. He has been involved in the WNC Public Safety Committee for a few months now and would like to serve on the Board.

- 10.7. Ms. Nalini Natarajan introduced herself. She has lived here for 5 years. She is a business owner. She would like to bring all the groups together and foster more multi cultural institutions and work on beautification projects.
- 10.8. Mr. David Rossner introduced himself. He is here for 13 years and works in the motion picture industry. He has been the Homeowners Association President for a condo unit on Sherman Way for 7 years. He believes that the best place to get involved in politics is the local level. He is very much in favor of looking for more police officers.
- 10.9. Mr. Robert Basch introduced himself. He said he has been on the WNC for 3 years (since formation). He said he was Parliamentarian and Treasurer, and the Chair of Rules, Elections, and By-Laws Committee and Finance Committee. He read off his resume and involvement in many community groups.
- 10.10. Mr. Nicholas Bortz introduced himself. He said he has been in the ROTC for 3 years and enjoyed his service. He wants to become a Board member to clean up the neighborhood.
 - 10.10.1. Ms. Chelebian asked what his age was.
 - 10.10.2. Mr. Bortz commented he is 19.
 - 10.10.3. Several Board members indicated that we do have a youth position but it is from 16-18.
- 10.11. Ms. Robin Littlefield introduced herself. She said that she is a born and raised a Valley girl and has lived here for 12 years. She loves the neighborhood and wants the best. She was a director for the Red Cross for several years and wants to bring project management experience to the Board. She wants to continue outreach and bring focus to the Board.
- 10.12. Ms. Lisa Haberman introduced herself. She has lived here for 10 years. She has been a Board member for her Homeowner's Association. She is interested in making sure that Winnetka is a safe and happy place to live.
- 10.13. A stakeholder asked Ms. Nali to speak again because they could not hear here due to a child in the audience.
 - 10.13.1. Ms. Nali reiterated what she said previously.
- 10.14. Mr. Richard Montaine introduced himself. He said he was born in Van Nuys and has lived here since 1997 and has been on the Board for the last year. He has been involved on the Public Works & Transportation and the Public Safety Committee. He said he got interested in the WNC when he was in Chicago and seeing all the redevelopment and the impact it had on the community. He wants to be part of the group that controls the development so we don't overdevelop.
- 10.15. Mr. Wayne Schulte introduced himself. He has been a resident for 13 years and he helped in the formation of the WNC. He has been honored to serve and would like to continue that service. He was involved in the Rotary and recently named a Board member for the Rotary. He has always been involved and was always willing to work for the Board.
- 10.16. Mr. Chris Jurgenson introduced himself. He said he has been a proud Board member for the past year and a half. A 37 year Winnetka citizen. He cares about the community and will do all he can to continue to serve the stakeholders.
- 10.17. Ms. Lamishaw asked for nominations.
 - 10.17.1. Mr. Essavi asked for the names to be read back.
 - 10.17.1.1. Ms. Lamishaw read off the names.
 - 10.17.2. Ms. Robinson nominated Mr. Jurgenson.
 - 10.17.2.1. Mr. Lace seconded.
 - 10.17.3. Mr. Essavi nominated Mr. Montaine.
 - 10.17.3.1. Mr. Popowich seconded.

- 10.17.4. Mr. Popowich nominated Mr. Seflin.
 - 10.17.4.1. Ms. Robinson seconded.
- 10.17.5. Mr. Sims nominated Ms. Littlefield.
 - 10.17.5.1. Mr. Burgess seconded.
- 10.17.6. Ms. Lamishaw nominated Mr. Basch.
 - 10.17.6.1. Mr. Sims seconded Mr. Basch
- 10.17.7. Mr. Sims nominated Ms. Natarajan
 - 10.17.7.1. Mr. Burgess seconded Ms. Natarajan
- 10.17.8. Mr. Burgess Mr. Rossner
 - 10.17.8.1. Mr. Lace seconded.
- 10.17.9. Mr. Popowich nominated Ms. Haberman
 - 10.17.9.1. Mr. Lace seconded.
- 10.17.10. Mr. Essavi nominated Mr. Bortz.
 - 10.17.10.1. Mr. Lace seconded the nomination.
- 10.17.11. Ms. Lamishaw Mr. Schulte.
 - 10.17.11.1. Mr. Essavi seconded.
- 10.18. Mr. Lace asked Mr. Durazo if we can simply write the vote as we did before.
 - 10.18.1. Ms. Lamishaw interrupted and asked him to address her as she is still the President.
 - 10.18.2. Mr. Lace said he wants it to be clean so we do not have any problems.
 - 10.18.3. Ms. Lamishaw said we can either do a vote or we can write it down.
 - 10.18.4. Mr. Lace asked to do the paper vote.
- 10.19. The Board wrote their votes down and Mr. Molock collected the votes.
- 10.20. Mr. Durazo read off the votes. The vote count was as follows:
 - Mr. Howard Seflin: 7
 - Mr. Richard Montaine: 6
 - Ms. Robin Littlefield: 7
 - Mr. Chris Jurgenson: 6
 - Mr. David Rossner: 4
 - Ms. Lisa Haberman: 3
 - Mr. Nicholas Bortz: 1
 - Mr. Robert Basch: 3
 - Ms. Nali: 3
 - Mr. Wayne Schulte: 1
- 10.21. Mr. Popowich asked for a recount on Mr. Rossner as the count he had was different from Ms. Lamishaw's.
 - 10.21.1. The recount was done and the total was adjusted to 4 votes for Mr. Rossner.
 - 10.21.2. Mr. Popowich confirmed the top vote getters were Mr. Seflin, Mr. Montaine, Ms. Littlefield, and Mr. Jurgenson. The others did not receive enough votes to be appointed.

11. Swearing in ceremony for the newly appointed Board members. Commissioner Pat Herrera-Duran will preside over ceremonies.

11.1. Ms. Lamishaw announced they would swear in the appointees.

11.2. Ms. Herrera-Duran gave the oath of office.

12. Thank you to Commissioner Herrera-Duran.

12.1. Ms. Lamishaw thanked Ms. Herrera-Duran for coming tonight and conducting the ceremonies.

12.2. Ms. Herrera-Duran thanked us for having here to do this. She said that she thinks this is a tremendous experience and she hopes we don't lose our enthusiasm for doing this. When she was involved in the charter commission, she never thought that she would be on the Commission. She said that she was very happy to serve and it's been a wonderful experience. She doesn't know whether she will continue to serve under Mr. Villaraigosa. She said that she is happy that we can meet here in this country like we do without fear. She urged everyone to continue to reach out and speak to those that are not able to attend and to different cultures.

12.3. Ms. Lamishaw said she wanted to say a few words. She said that Ms. Herrera-Duran for being the driving force behind the DWP MOU process and without her they couldn't have done it. She said that we need to lobby the Mayor to keep Ms. Herrera-Duran and Tony Lucente to remain on the Board. She introduced Ms. Espinoza who has a presentation for Ms. Herrera-Duran.

12.4. Ms. Espinoza presented Ms. Herrera-Duran with a commendation for her service to the NC and to DWP MOU process.

12.5. Ms. Lamishaw also presented a gift to Ms. Herrera-Duran.

13. Discussion and possible action on election of Board officers.

13.1. Ms. Lamishaw introduced the next item.

13.2. Ms. Chelebian commented that she would like to encourage all those who did not get appointed to stay involved and that we need them in the WNC and to work on the committees.

13.3. Ms. Lamishaw pointed out we still have two appointed positions and a youth position.

13.4. Mr. Lace made the following motion:

WNC-080905-6: I move that we vote to organize ourselves by selecting the officers." (Lace)

13.4.1. Mr. Jurgenson seconded the motion.

13.5. Ms. Lamishaw asked if we want to go from the bottom up and pointed out that it's usually listed as the Treasurer on the bottom. She asked if the officers need to be elected Board members.

13.5.1. Mr. Lace and Ms. Lamishaw consulted the By-Laws and the positions must be filled by a sitting Board member and only the Assistant Secretary, Sergeant At Arms, and a Parliamentarian, can be filled by non-Board members.

13.5.2. Ms. Chelebian clarified that it is any Board member can fill those seats.

13.6. Mr. Montaine nominated Mr. Lace for Treasurer.

13.6.1. Ms. Chelebian seconded.

13.6.2. Mr. Lace accepted the nomination.

13.6.3. Ms. Lamishaw called for a vote by asking if there was any opposition.

13.6.4. No opposition was raised and Mr. Lace was selected as Treasurer.

13.7. Mr. Seflin nominated Mr. Popowich for Secretary.

13.7.1. Mr. Popowich declined the nomination at this time.

13.7.2. Ms. Lamishaw asked if he was sure as he may not be nominated again.

13.7.3. Mr. Popowich confirmed he was sure.

13.8. Ms. Lamishaw said that we will pass this for now. She called for nominations for Vice President.

13.8.1. Mr. Popowich nominated Ms. Robinson

13.8.2. Mr. Montaine seconded.

13.8.3. Ms. Lamishaw called for a vote by asking for any opposition. Ms. Lamishaw voiced opposition.

13.8.4. Ms. Robinson was elected Vice President 11-1.

13.9. Mr. Lace nominated Mr. Popowich for President.

13.9.1. Mr. Burgess seconded.

13.9.2. Ms. Lamishaw called for a vote by asking for any opposition. Ms. Lamishaw voiced opposition.

13.9.3. Mr. Popowich was elected President 11-1.

13.10. Ms. Lamishaw asked for Secretary nominations again. No nominations were made and the position will remain open at this time.

13.10.1. Mr. Sims asked if Ms. Chelebian would be interested.

13.10.2. Ms. Chelebian declined.

13.11. Ms. Lamishaw confirmed the office positions. Mr. Popowich as President, Ms. Robinson as Vice President, and Mr. Lace: Treasurer.

14. Passing of gavel to the new President if the Board elects officer. New President will preside over the remainder of the meeting.

14.1. Ms. Lamishaw turned the gavel over to Mr. Popowich.

14.2. Mr. Popowich thanked everyone for selecting him and said that he would conduct things in a fair manner to make sure that everyone gets the opportunity to have a say.

15. Discussion and possible action on the following Committee reports & recommendations:

- **Facilities Committee Report: No Committee Report.**
- **Finance Report (including Treasurer's Report) No report scheduled.**
 - Mr. Basch reminded Mr. Lace that he needs to take the class before he can assume his duties. He also announced the budget has been approved.
 - Ms. Lamishaw also pointed out that he will need at least one other signatory to be trained and certified to sign off on requests.
 - Mr. Popowich spoke about the committee meetings. He read of the open spots on the various committees and encouraged interested people to step up. He also announced he would call a special meeting to look at committees and committee structure to make sure that everyone has an opportunity to be involved.
 - Ms. Chelebian said that she has learned we need more people on the committee and recommended that we consider expanding them to 10.
 - Ms. Lamishaw said that when the next news letter goes out we can stress we need people on the committees and what they are about. This way we can reach out to the community and get them involved in what interests them.
 - Mr. Popowich said we can do it.

- Mr. Seflin asked if stakeholders could be on committees.
 - Mr. Popowich said that he would prefer that we get more stakeholders involved. He would like to have the Board members serve on at least one committee and the other spots be filled by stakeholders to get their opinions on the issues.
- Mr. Essavi suggested we create a cut out section in the newsletter to collect people's names and info on what they are interested.

- **Outreach & Events Committee Report: (Robinson)**

WNC-080905-1: "The Winnetka Neighborhood Council approves the Outreach & Events Committee report & recommendations." (Popowich)

- Mr. Popowich introduced the item and asked Ms. Robinson for her report.
- Ms. Robinson said that the item on the agenda was to reach out to stakeholders to get them interested and on the Board. She said she feels we've done a great job She would like see more people on the item.

- **PLUM Committee report: (Popowich)**

WNC-080905-2: "The Winnetka Neighborhood Council approves the PLUM Committee report & recommendations." (Popowich)

- Mr. Popowich explained the items on the report. He reviewed the two motions and announced the third was continued.
- Mr. Sims seconded the motion.
- Mr. Popowich called for the vote and the motion passed 12-0.

- **Public Safety Committee Report (Popowich)**

WNC-080905-3: "The Winnetka Neighborhood Council approves the Public Safety Committee report & recommendations." (Popowich)

- Mr. Popowich announced there was no report because he didn't feel it was right to hold a meeting the day before the election.

- **Public Works & Transportation Committee Report (Chelebian)**

WNC-080905-4: "The Winnetka Neighborhood Council approves the Public Works & Transportation Committee report & recommendations, with the change in date for the MTA Sound Wall Town Hall for 9/15th" (Popowich)

- Mr. Popowich introduced the item and asked Ms. Chelebian for her report.
- Ms. Chelebian spoke about the MTA Orange Line Town Hall project. She described the sound wall issue and the property owners concerns. She announced that we sent the letter to the MTA and we have secured a location and invited.
 - Mr. Popowich said the letter went out to the MTA on Sunday. Explained the reason for the delay was a typo on the zip code. He said that Ms. Brown should have it by Thursday.
 - Ms. Chelebian asked if he would follow up.
 - Mr. Popowich said he would.
- Ms. Chelebian announced who it was sent to and copied to. She said the purpose is to have open communication between the public and the stakeholders. She said that she feels they have dropped a huge project in their laps without the long term thought to what the effects are on the stakeholder.
 - Mr. Popowich said that he would add a friendly motion to the existing motion to change the date.

- Ms. Chelebian agreed. She spoke about the Winnetka Sign Beautification Project and gave an update on that status. As of August 3rd the motion from City Council has passed and the funds are approved.
 - Mr. Popowich announced the change in Chair of the Ad Hoc Street Grading Committee.
 - Ms. Chelebian said she will invite Mr. Bill Robinson from the Bureau of Street Services, who is more than willing to attend a meeting and work on the issues.
 - Mr. Sims announced he will be meeting with the City regarding the landscaping of the medians. He said the City is now doing their own landscaping. He said there are still some additional items which need to be corrected regarding the sprinkler system. He pointed out that the timer has been broken for a few weeks and it needs to be fixed. He estimates it will be about 2-3 weeks before they will begin planting. He has secured a contact for the area and they will move forward.
 - Ms. Robinson seconded the amended motion.
 - Mr. Popowich called for a vote and the motion was passed 12-0.
- **Rules, Elections, and By-Laws Committee Report: No report scheduled.**

16. Discussion and possible action on the following motion to select a liaison to the DWP.

WNC-080905-5: I move that the WNC nominate and vote for a liaison to the NC/LADWP Oversight Committee.” (Lamishaw)

This position requires attendance at some early morning Saturday or weekday meetings at the DWP building downtown. Duties include overseeing all NCs and the DWP to ascertain that each is performing his responsibilities under the MOU. Some meetings may be held via e-mail and likely not more often than monthly at first and quarterly later in person.

- 16.1. Mr. Popowich introduced the motion and asked Ms. Lamishaw if he had missed anything.
- 16.2. Ms. Lamishaw said the first meeting is this Saturday at 9 AM at the DWP. Ms. Lamishaw said she would be there on one of the committees as a stakeholder regardless. She said she has been working on this for sometime. She said that whoever we elect to this liaison position, and she’s not running, but she recommends that they really be interested in the oversight of committees and what they are doing. The DWP has made several decisions with out being informed.
- 16.3. Mr. Popowich stated that whoever fills this position or any other position as a liaison must report back to the Board at each meeting to ensure we are kept apprised of the issues and their actions.
- 16.4. Ms. Chelebian asked for clarification on liaison or oversight.
- 16.4.1. Ms. Lamishaw stated oversight only. The liaison position will come at a later time as they are not ready for that process yet at the DWP.
- 16.5. Mr. Essavi asked how long the person would serve in this position.
- 16.5.1. Mr. Popowich said that the position would be for one year.
- 16.6. Ms. Chelebian asked how often they would meet.
- 16.6.1. Ms. Lamishaw said they would probably meet monthly at first and later quarterly. She expanded on how the group will work and that the group is not constrained by the Brown Act so there may be some email polls or internet meetings.
- 16.7. Ms. Herrera-Duran said it’s a good experience and you learn a lot.
- 16.8. Mr. Jurgenson asked if stakeholders can do this.
- 16.8.1. Mr. Popowich said he believed they could.
- 16.8.2. Ms. Lamishaw clarified that the Oversight position is only for Board members.

16.9. Mr. Essavi asked for clarification on the positions.

16.9.1. Mr. Popowich explained there are two and listed them briefly.

16.10. Ms. Chelebian said she would do it if it goes to quarterly at a later time.

16.11. Mr. Sefflin asked if the Controller oversees this already.

16.12. Mr. Popowich and Ms. Lamishaw both responded that the Controller oversees the issues after the fact. This position is involved in the process from start to finish to keep track of them.

16.13. Mr. Essavi nominated Ms. Chelebian.

16.13.1. Mr. Burgess and Mr. Sims seconded the nomination.

16.14. Mr. Popowich asked for any other nominations before the vote. No other nominations were made. He called for a vote.

16.15. Ms. Chelebian was appointed the WNC designate for the DWP Oversight Committee 12-0.

16.16. Ms. Lamishaw said she will send the info for Ms. Chelebian.

17. Discussion and possible action on City Clerk Council File #05-1207, Unclaimed Monies motion submitted by Councilmember Zine. This would create an ordinance amending Los Angeles Administrative Code, Article 14, Section 5.112, "Trust Fund for Monies Seized Incidental to Arrests," to provide that any unclaimed monies be transferred to the Police Hiring Account with the Special Fund for Efficiency Projects and Police Hiring.

Please visit http://www.lacity.org/council/cd3/motions/cd3motions14328615_04122005.pdf for a copy of the motion.

17.1. Mr. Popowich explained this was a continued item raised by Mr. Schulte. He announced that the question the Board had last time was where the funds currently go. He said they are currently added to the General Fund.

17.2. Mr. Sefflin asked for clarification on the two committees.

17.3. Mr. Lace asked about the general fund and where it goes.

17.4. Mr. Jurgenson commented that it may influence the way police make arrests. They may target the rich.

17.5. Mr. Popowich commented that he will continue the item again since he has not heard of a vote on it and find out more detail on the two committees.

18. Reports from any liaisons.

18.1. Mr. Popowich thanked Ms. Lamishaw for providing the VICA report and pointed out this is something that not all NC's have access to.

18.2. Mr. Popowich also provided the report on the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils. He explained briefly what VANC was and that it was open to all NC members. He pointed out that we do not have an appointed representative, but would like to see us make that permanent as this is something that he thinks they are moving towards. He also advised everyone that they are having a Best of...awards this year at the forum and he would like the Outreach & Events Committee to consider this at their next meeting. He concluded by letting everyone know that VANC has its first standing committee, a PLUM Committee of which he is co-chair.

18.3. Ms. Chelebian asked for clarification on the citywide group that was forming.

18.4. Mr. Popowich said that the group was the Los Angeles Congress of Neighborhood Councils. He briefly explained the group was the result of the Charter that calls for the NC's to hold their own Congress something DONE has been doing so far. He said the group is continuing to form and consider feedback received at the DONE sponsored Congress. He said we will have to select an appointee at a future meeting as they require it.

18.5. Ms. Lamishaw said that the group would likely meet in September and then go on hiatus until the first of the year due to vacations.

19. Public Comments – Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction.

19.1. A stakeholder asked what an MOU meant.

19.1.1. Memorandum of Understanding

19.2. A stakeholder, Mr. Sam Naimath, a 20 year Winnetka resident commented on trash issues. He has worked with the city for years in the Office of Finance. He said that he has spoken to Ms. Espinoza about street issues. He wanted to address signs on the polls. He said he has called several times to have them removed. He has contacted the Street use to help them. He wanted to talk about the abandoned sofas and furniture. He said we should really all be calling it in to have it removed. He would like to suggest that every pick up crew, make a note of it and notify their supervisor so they can pick it up next week.

19.2.1. Mr. Popowich recommended that we place that on the Public Works & Transportation agenda.

19.2.1.1. Ms. Lamishaw said that is already a directive from Ms. Chick when she was on the City Council. They just don’t do it. She suggested that we publish that number.

19.2.2. Mr. Sims said that if you call one day before the trash day they will pick it up. But if you call after two then you it may stay a week.

19.2.3. Ms. Robinson pointed out that the P.O.S.S.E. team should be doing it. She said that we have a special number that gets it picked up within 48 hours.

19.3. The stakeholder said that he lives near Arminta and they drop it all the time.

19.4. Mr. Popowich commented that they can’t go on private property.

20. Ms. Nali said that on Stagg Street they requested the humps. They have not done it on half of the street.

20.1. Ms. Robison 1800773CITY and you can call it.

21. Board Business –

A. Comments on Board Member’s own activities/ Brief announcements.

B. Brief response to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their general public comment rights.

C. Introduction of any new issues for consideration by the Board at its next meeting/request that the item be placed on the next meeting’s agenda.

D. Requests for Board Members to research issues and report back to the Board at a future time.

22. Adjournment