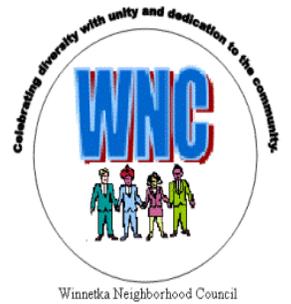




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PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

From: Armineh Chelebian, Chair

Date: September 29, 2005

Subject: Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order and Committee members Roll Call.

Ms. Chelebian Chair present
Mr. Sims vice Chair present

2. Approval of minutes

July minutes approved
August minutes tabled

3. Continuance from last month on a discussion and possible action on a presentation by Charlotte Laws, PHD, from the Greater Valley Glen Council to create a Director of Animal Welfare (DAW) for Winnetka. This will include the introduction of a stakeholder who wishes to be appointed DAW and a decision to support a DAW program and whether to appoint the stakeholder to serve as DAW.

The item was tabled due to excused absence of the stakeholder who wanted to be appointed as DAW representative for Winnetka NC. Due to fires at Topanga Cyn he was needed to be present at the locations that were effected by fire in order to continue rescuing animals in danger of fire.

4. Update, discussion and possible action on the MTA Orange Line Sound Wall Town Hall meeting. Includes a discussion on how the night will be organized and possible duty assignments.

The update was given that letters were written and sent out to MTA, Neighborhood Council Presidents, the City Councilmember's, Sheriffs Department. Also 1000 flyers were copied and distributed to general public; schools ...as well as 150 or so flyers were mailed out to the stakeholders along the wall in Winnetka.

It was also discussed and decided that the attendees would be asked to fill up speaker cards, get up behind the microphone, would be given the same amount of time about two minutes or so to ask the panel their questions, there would be a time keeper to keep time, and after asking their questions they would be asked to hand out their cards to the panel for record keeping and reference purposes.

5. Update, discussion and possible action on the Welcome to Winnetka Sign and Median Beautification project (Mr. Sims)

It was discussed and agreed that a letter of appreciation would be drafted and sent out to Ms. Cynthia Ruiz the President of Public Works Commission, in regards with the wonderful support and free flowers that were provided to WNC by the City for the median beautification of The Welcome to Winnetka sign, and it would be in regards with the efforts of the following employees which would also be cc'd on the letter:

MR. Dennis Wake and Mr. Rudy Garcia of the Tujung Yard, and Mr. John Ariano of Alabama Street Yard.

Mr. Sims agreed to draft the letter and then have the Secretary put it on the WNC letter head and officially send it out with Mr. Sims signature as the Project Coordinator for the Median Beautification and Vice Chair of the PWT Committee and the signature of Ms. Chelebian as the Chair of the PWT Committee.

Also the following report was provided, that the flowers were completely planted along the median and therefore phase 1 of the project was now completed. The landscaper Mr. Lee now was waiting for payment of his fees of \$4,800.00. Also an invoice for the amount of \$179.47 was submitted to the Treasurer Mr. Lace for payment to Mr. lee in order to reimburse him for the additional expenses he had to incur in order to rent a truck for flower pick up.

It was noted that the City had issued a check for the amount of \$20,000.00 to both Mr. JJ Popowich and the Winnetka NHC, also the fact the WNC had no checking account and the Treasurer Mr. Eric Lace would need to look in to all the necessary steps and information in order to be able to open a checking account, therefore until clarification of the situation with the check issued in two names and until opening up a bank account to deposit the check, WNC could not pay Mr. Lee for his services.

Mr. Sims also stated he would contact the City Engineering and Mr. Horowitz to find out if WNC could tie in to the low voltage line for the second phase of the Median beautification process which is to place lights on the Median, and also would look in to other options such as solar lights. The committee also agreed to designate Mr. Sims with the task of contacting different electrical engineers and contractors, and therefore presenting his findings to the committee along with presentation of minimum up to 3 bids that he finds to be the best, to the committee for their consideration.

There were suggestions made to have a mixed situation, where around the Welcome to Winnetka Signs electrical lights would be used which would be tied in to the electricity and in between solar lights could be placed. Ms. Chelebian also suggested maybe we could use colorful solar lights in order to signify the diversity in Winnetka.

6. Report from WNC Liaison to Councilmember Smith's Service Cabinet.

Ms. Chelebian provided the report and the update.

7. Discussion and possible action to appoint new committee members for the 05-06 Fiscal year for the PWT .Any interested stakeholders are encouraged to attend and offer to volunteer.

Three interested Board members/stakeholders Ms. Marilyn Robinson, Mr. Dwight Burgess, and Mr. Jozef Essavi were present and were appointed to PWT by the Chair Mrs. Chelebian and Vice Chair Mr., Sims, two seats still remained open as the PWT committee is a 7 member committee.

Items 8-10 no notes

Item 11 adjournment