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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 12, 2013, 6:30 PM

Valley Village, 20830 Sherman Way, Winnetka, CA 91306

The Winnetka Neighborhood Council holds its regular meetings on the second Tuesday of every month and may also call any additional required special meetings in accordance with its Bylaws and the Brown Act. The agenda for a regular or special meeting is posted for public review within Winnetka, 91306, at the following locations: **Canoga Park Bowl**, 20122 Vanowen St., **Express Pack & Ship**, 7657 Winnetka Ave., **Fulton Cleaners**, 20109 Roscoe Blvd., **Limerick Avenue Elementary School**, 8530 Limerick Ave., **Winnetka Recreation Center**, 8401 Winnetka Ave.

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1. Meet & Greet and Refreshments [10 min]
2. Convene Meeting, Board Member Roll Call, and Introductions [3 min]

Board Member Name	Jan-8	Feb-12	Mar-12	Apr-9	May-14	Jun-11	Jul-9	Aug-13	Sep-10	Oct-8	Nov-12	Dec-10
Eric Lewis	x	x	xL									
Erick Lace	x	x	x									
Greg Sullivan	x	x	x									
JJ Popowich	xL	x	x									
Marilyn Robinson	x	x	x									
Tess Reyes-Dunn	AE	AE	x									
William "Lance" Hilliard	x	x	xLE 930back									
Bettie Ross-Blumer	x	x	x									
David Uebersax	x	x	x									
Sarah Andrade	x	x	AE									
MaryEllen Moreno	x	x	x									
Maria Young	x	x	x									
Trevor Owen	x	AE	x									
Victor Lerma	x	x	x									
Madison Lamoreaux, student	AE	x	x									

Total	13	13	14								
X = Present, A = Absent, E = Excused, / = Not on the Board at this time, L = Late, LE = Left early Quorum is 8 members											

- 3. Explanation of Meeting Rules [1 min]
- 4. Approval of WNC Minutes for February 2013 [2 min]
Tess moves to approve, Bill seconds; approved unanimously. **WNC-2013-031213-01**
- 5. **Government Representative Updates:** The latest information from representatives of the offices of Mayor Villaraigosa, Councilman Zine, Congressman Sherman, State Senator Pavley, Assemblyman Blumenfield, the LAPD, the LAFD, the Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment, and/or any other local, state, or federal agencies that may be able to attend. [10 min each/30 min total]
Octaviano Rios (OR) spoke for Councilman Dennis Zine (CM Z), who said he can't speak to the election, but gave a quick update. CZ still focused on core services and is working to use up discretionary funds to do trim street trees and such. They are looking for trees in dangerous locations or sick cracked trees, to attend. CMZ also doing side walk repairs; had an event at Hart and Oso. Not accepting requests for street and side walk repairs, as street services are up to the City to determine. Clean and Green program is supported by CMZ; weed abatement and cleanup of over growth; this youth program can deal with these issues. OR spoke of Quimby Park's new playground, where Hart Street elementary kids came to the ribbon cutting.

Bettie noted that Mason was paved. But North Mason not paved. This is a long term project will spill into next permit and this was past CM Greg Smith's district, not CMZ's district.

Max Reyes represented Senator Fran Pavely of the District 27, (SFP) also represents Calabasas and Agoura as well as Winnetka in the new district. SFP invites us to contact her anytime as she is here to serve us. Max Reyes notes that he is a native to this part of the Valley and was raised on Lurline and Sherman Way. Mack Taylor gives a budget briefing. They are always welcome.

Thomas Soong (TS) came from DONE to speak as he is attending to the newly devised 'South West Valley Region' of the NC's; TS has been with the DONE for 10 plus years. TS greeted and met our board members and passed out a flier talking about a regional training to show Neighborhood Council how to run an effective meeting, etc. Because of the staff capacity; it is hard to go everywhere, so they do regional trainings; called "NC 101", one is on May 18th at Marvin Braude Center, in Van Nuys from 8 am to 12 pm. There will be three topics where attendees will meet general managers of each City Dept, Graycie Liu of DONE and Dept. of Bldg and Safety, for example. Goal is to teach NC's to use Community Impact Statement's which can have permanent input into city business. Free. May 18th. Please email definitely. Email sent out re funding did look at all the books of the councils and are attempting to get all reconciled.

Try to get those onboard with no reconciliation since 2007. A board resolution can be made, which is needed by April 1st, which will describe and affirm that you have made a diligent search for such lost reconciliation and cannot find these. There is a May 15th deadline to submit Demand Warrants for this year. As well as p-card reconciliation for this fiscal year. This last fiscal year we have \$37,500 I 2012 and 2013 June. By July 13 to 14 we should know what our funding will be, but as of now, we are not sure what funding we will have this next year. CC or Pcard can be used for meeting food. Lap tops could best be obtained using a demand warrant. NPG for some cases these are three things that will be discussed at the NC 101 seminar. Tess notes that 29K to 39K was discussed as well as 25k per year. Tess notes that the elections this year that wanted NC to discuss options.

Three options for election budgeting , there is \$692,000 available for the election from DONE.

1option, Election in spring 2014 cuts board term by 6months and we pay for this option and we get a 20% decrease in our funding.

2 option, If we have election in fall of 2014, as normally scheduled and then we are all remain with 4 year terms. There will be two fiscal year budget reductions in our funding; 10% one fiscal year 10% in next.

3 option, If we hold elections in the spring of Spring 2015, with a delayed vote, there will be no reduction in NC to fund this option.

This coincides with the City Clerks Election schedule, which they didn't want to do before, but now this would go along with the regular city elections.

Email: electionsatempowerla.org for further questions.

Our fiscal budget is required for 6 weeks prior when(?). Erick asks about the roll over money paid for election costs and Tom Soong did not have an answer. JJ wants to address item 17th re the DONE letter. JJ fired off a letter to DONE in response to their revived request, which the WNC had responded to and sent in 2009, when we had sent in a resolution that we had submitted all that we had. Before JJ came tonight, he looked at the old records; some had not been adequately signed and some not sent in. JJ found a couple of quarterly reports and that some of these quarterly reports were not signed by the a second person. Now JJ notes that we have to retract a resolution for 2009, and JJ would submit a letter with partial records as known. Tom Soong found some Neighborhood Councils had gone back to Guam, for example, and could not answer questions. DONE asks for a diligent search and report results as a board resolution. JJ reads the letter he wants to submit to Tom. This note breaks down what JJ currently knows about the quarterly reports and have the presidents and treasurer sign it. Tom liked the letter JJ wrote so far. Thomas.soong@lacity.org thanks those that came to ethics training. The online training is still up.

6. Discussion and possible action on a presentation by Officer Mason regarding the True Project. (Lace) [10 min] Tess says he will be late. Contact Officer Mason at: 26484@lapd.lacity.org Had some problems with burglaries, but have caught several. Since Topanga Station was opened they put native and non native plants, but many died as there was no maintenance. So what they have done is teamed with the community SEPAC and Theodore Payne Foundation to plant 40 Santa Cruz Ironwood trees, which require watering 5 times in the summer in a few years little to none. Looking for support in the community, some say yes they will come, but when the heat is on, there are some that won't come. The station is dividing the garden into maintainable sections. Had people Lisa Novik is with the Theodore Payne Foundation and will help people figure out their duties if they volunteer. Erick asks the proposed sponsorship structure, which will hire a professional to maintain your section for a year. The replanting labor was worked out with the Miller Career Transition Center. These are donations. Rachel Ragosa brought piles of mulch onto the property to keep water and weeds down. Wants this to be the Westside Valley representation of the Theodore Payne Foundation. Officer Mason wants this program to stay strong. Topanga Station is getting new Capt in a couple of months; please continue to support this projects!

Community Academy teaches about law and shootings, one coming up for Spanish people. FOS means Force Option Simulator and helps those understand how police force is determined in different law enforcement situations. See the face book page for more info. Eric asks public works or public safety if they want to follow up on this as Trevor goes there (Neighborhood Watch) once a week.

7. **Public Comments:** Comments from the public on any items not specifically listed on this agenda. Board Members may not address or discuss these comments other than to direct any necessary matters to the appropriate WNC committee or other government agency. [3 min each/20 min total]

Izzie Levinson, Jack Ross spoke on the proposed EPS Ban (styrofoam), both are senior and junior at North Hollywood High. Eliminate Styrofoam in the San Fernando Valley as it is toxic and long lasting. Wants to approve a letter of support for the ban on EPS which they assert has a half life of 500 years and is harmful to wildlife and toxic. EPS was removed from LAUSD lunch program via Science backed up by LAUSD, they claim. Styrofoam hard to break down and mistaken as food by animals. Expensive to collect and has a litter problem. The speakers claim that a substitute is cost neutral. **Wants an agenda item to vote on a letter to ban Styrofoam.** Victor asks how long it has been used? David asks how these kids got involved and are they are in the Eco club work with Surfrider Foundation. Rise above plastics, someone asserted. Maria asks about their research. These researches are available and can be found online.

Donald Rubin, Canoga Park Memorial Day Parade, The Phoenix Company, a member of the board of the Canoga Park Improvement Association. Donald Rubin (DR) likes to be involved. has worked with the parade for 7-8 years and now is the Parade Chairman, which is an undertaking 25 to 30 years old. Event is on May 27th has a different a day in Canoga Park with a 5k run walk at 830; parade at 11 and car show until 5pm. Ends at DMV; now becoming interlopers into Winnetka and want to work with us. We all owe it to our fallen soldiers to honor these solders and DR is asking various entities to join in the celebration. Will cost an entry fee of \$100 bucks and DR is here to extend his hand to ours. School bands can participate. Will have military Grand Marhsal, CM Zine will be the Honorary Chair. David attended. There will no longer be a gathering at Quimby park due to poor attendance and some of the equestrians had a problem. Desoto itself will be closed. Getting permits sign up for 5k apps by 13th March call Donald

Email dirphoenix@socal.rr.com

Eric wants to send this to Marilyn Robinson. Erick expresses his support. Erick suggests West Valley Memorial Day Parade as a tilte. Don is trying to reach out and make it inclusive.

Item going to outreach committee. Hope for 5-600 runners, with only awards for 1st,2nd and 3rd place. But trophies for youth groups; 5-8 years old etc and other age groups. Erick wants to know if Don is going to other school groups. Last year, there were 25 to 30 letters to local public and private high school's and only have one principal call him back. Don was not pleased. Felt that LAUSD wants Community Communication but no one will reciprocate.

Art Sims, former board member, was concerned and disgusted with the median neglect. Expressed the history of the median improvement, and felt the median is falling flat. Gave the history of funding. Felt it has been over a year. JJ said in an email that the sprinklers are repaired. Eric says the irrigation is repaired and the plants are in process. A stake holder expressed concern and frustration as well. JJ and Art Sims spoke at length off meeting to clarify.

8. Treasurer's Report Update, discussion, and action regarding WNC finances. (Popowich) [5 min]

- Motion: The WNC Board hereby approves the Finance report as presented.

JJ has been doing council work for 10 years. Real quick; JJ will revise the DONE memo. See web site for \$22,907.32 left unspent for this year. JJ spoke to Betty Wong and they are finalizing the election report. Two invoices not on report. Rayco and Storage Fee needs to be paid in person. JJ says they will be paid monthly until resolved.

Have a board to approve his quarterly report.

JJ notes about the quarterly reports from which DONE said we needed but JJ found some of these quarterly reports. Of the 2004 quarterly reports records, we remain bereft.

JJ reads long resolution. We Eric Lewis and JJ ...JJ reads into record

Erick, moves to accept JJ's letter as written, Trevor seconds. See website for letter as submitted.

Erick asks whether this letter will resolve. Original plan tonight was going to be different; JJ had wanted to gain a meeting with city attorney/controller and Graycie to avoid repeating this event. JJ was hoping to end this constant request. Letter was sent to Thomas, then and now there was no acknowledgement. Why are we revisiting again?

Went down the line and listed people's responses, with support shown for JJ. Erick requested confirming and response from Thomas. Eric notes that the funding system has evolved. Stakeholder likes the treasurer's report forwarded. 13 to zero approved unanimously.

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Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sarah Andrade				x
William Hilliard				x
Erick Lace	x			
Madison Lamoreaux	x			
Victor Lerma	x			
Eric Lewis	x			
Mary Ellen Moreno	x			
Trevor Owen	x			
JJ Popowich	x			
Tess Reyes-Dunn	x			
Marilyn Robinson	x			
Bettie Ross-Blumer	x			
Greg Sullivan	x			
David Uebersax	x			
Maria Young	x			
Total	13			

WNC-2013-031213-03 Erick moves to approve the treasurer finance report. Marylin seconds Approved unanimously

Thomas notes, as he left, of how challenging is the treasurer's position. There is a monthly downtown treasurers training every last Thursday of the month at 6:30. TS recommended the meeting. Thomas noted that this is public comment time and all we really need to do is say thank you and don't need to get hot under the collar, good to refer to committee. TS referred to a previous Public Commenter. Due to Brown act we can't really discuss this topic. A stakeholder asked about the Brown act and whether the WNC needs to respond; no, just say thank you.

OLD BUSINESS

9. Update, discussion, and possible action regarding the PLUM Committee's ongoing investigation into the need for a bathroom at the Pierce College Orange Line transit stop. (Ross-Blumer) [2 min] In progress
10. Update, discussion, and possible action regarding the potential proposal by the City Council to put a \$3 Billion Highway Bond measure on the May ballot. (Uebersax) [4 min]
David notes that this letter was pulled back from the May ballot; overall what they are doing is are looking at what they can do to find money that is needed. They are reaching out to NC and asking what they should do next. Tom Sattler, a stakeholder noted the morning paper said they were talking seriously of dropping this idea.
11. Discussion and possible action to approve the REB Cmte update of the WNC By-Laws and Board Rules. (Lewis) [4 min] Tabled to have another REB meeting and resolve issues. Add to the posting locations.

12. Discussion and possible action to spend up to \$400 to frame four certificates of appreciation that were presented to the WNC in 2012. (Lace) [4 min]
- Motion: The Winnetka Neighborhood Council shall spend up to \$400 for the framing of four certificates of appreciation, at a local, as-of-yet-undetermined vendor.
 - Tabled pending election funding
13. Discussion and possible action to allocate up to \$250 to purchase polo shirts and authorized attire for board members. (Lace) [4 min]
- Motion: The Winnetka Neighborhood Council shall purchase authorized board member clothing, at a local, as-of-yet-undetermined vendor.
 - Tabled due to election funding
14. Discussion and possible action on a payment to our webmaster, Wendy Moore, for increased use by our active and enlarged board. Mrs. Moore notes, "I project at the current pace that we will have used up \$ on our agreement by the end of April. So we should agendize increasing the budget and covering the remainder of the fiscal year prior to that. Extrapolating out, I would estimate we would need \$650-700 to finish this fiscal year and about \$4,000 for the next fiscal year." (Sullivan) [4 min]
- Motion: To approve up to \$750 for Wendy Moore to finish work this fiscal year.
 - Greg moves, Erick seconds the motion. Wendy charged us to fix a broken website; JJ felt that wasn't worth arguing. JJ felt it might be good to put a bit out to bid to check costs. David notes that we could learn how to post our own, if possible to save money. Eric likes her work and notes this board is more active. Eric notes that complacency is common for businesses.

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sarah Andrade				x
William Hilliard				x
Erick Lace	x			
Madison Lamoreaux	/			
Victor Lerma	x			
Eric Lewis	x			
Mary Ellen Moreno	x			
Trevor Owen	x			
JJ Popowich	x			
Tess Reyes-Dunn	x			
Marilyn Robinson	x			
Bettie Ross-Blumer	x			
Greg Sullivan	x			
David Uebersax	x			
Maria Young	x			
Total	12			

- **WNC-2013-031213-04** passes unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

15. Discussion and possible action regarding assigning WNC Asst. Treasurer David Uebersax as the WNC secondary treasury signatory. (Popowich) [2 min] JJ moves, Mary Ellen seconds; all approved unanimously **WNC-2013-031213-05**
16. Discussion and possible action regarding investigating the cost of purchasing a digital audio recorder for use at WNC meetings. (Lewis) [2 min]

Erick moves to discuss, seconded by JJ. JJ says it is a bad idea. Notes a disclosure that meeting is recorded; that all must be notified. Very laborious, Bettie notes. Erick noted this recording of meetings comment came up; one of the NC brought it up, we don't need to do this. The tape is only for the secretary to be clear, someone pointed out. Erick supports the notion, but felt it is over kill. Maria felt too much, Victor felt it was simply back up. Brown act questions asks Trevor. David felt the Tape used in committee was ok, device at the board level, videotaped the committees before. 35 page transcripts had been developed and there were freedom of information act have available, too. Eric felt if it would help. Please email Greg and he can add into min. JJ removes his motion

17. Discussion and possible action regarding the WNC's reponse to DONE's request for quarterly reports from 2004 and 2009. (Popowich) handled above.
18. Discussion and possible action about the e-newsletter/site called the Patch. Neighborhoods can sign up for their own Patch. Northridge-Chatsworth share one, and Woodland Hills has its own, as well as Sherman Oaks. Perhaps we could share one with Reseda and Canoga Park. Here are the links:

<http://shermanoaks.patch.com/?sem=1&ncid=keywrduspatc00000022>

<http://northridge.patch.com/topics/Chatsworth> <http://woodlandhills.patch.com>

(Ross-Blumer) [6min]

Bettie notes the patch communications, which she has been getting online; Winnetka, Kansas has a patch, Sherman Oaks has a patch, Northridge and chatsworth wants to combine with others in the Valley including Reseda and Canoga Park.

The Regional Adhoc Election Committee mentioned the patch and sought a nice overlap. What make a patch work are the local journalists who make the input. Erick recommends that we send this to committee with Bettie work up. Too outreach for next month.

19. Review of Councilman Zine's Feb. 27 meeting with the CD3 NC Presidents/Chairs. (Lewis) [4 min] Eric noted the City and Zine were against Prop A. CMZ is leaving with zero dollars in his account and putting a million dollars to side walk repair. Money into cameras, youth jobs, clean and green minimum wage, weeds, Quimby Park, etc. Eric and his son love Quimby Park's new play equipment. Regarding sidewalk repair; CM Zine is targeting sidewalk repairs to avoid street problems. Zine feels fixing sidewalks is the cities responsibly. CM Zine only CD 3; CM Krikorian had smaller versions of sidewalk repair. If we have spots in Winnetka contact Eric send on to Irma at CM Zine's office.
- Hopes to leave money for each NC want to go around to each. Zine expressed ignorance about the bathroom issue. OR does not report anything we say or is this a debating delaying technique?
- The bike lane issue involves federal money but CM Zine will look at it.
- West Hills-Warner Center NC is also addressing the smart meter issue; their safety committee is working on it. David said there was a thing for LANC. Reseda said we could add calendar issues that we can post to their outreach methods. Zine offered to stake out graffiti with his Posse. Someone needs to reach out to Tarzana nursery to live up to plantings for which they have already been paid.

20. Discussion and possible action regarding Councilman Zine's suggestion that the WNC submit a letter to LA County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky requesting assistance with the issue of the Pierce College transit stop's need for a public bathroom. (Lewis) [4 min] Now Eric mentioned combined with 9. Other NC surrounding also wanted to support this problem. Request his assistance to resolve this problem and make this go away; CC Zine as well. Our letter with the other NC's around will provide the impetus for a meeting to resolve with CM Zine's money. Eric moves,

Seconded by Trevor to start involving Supervisor Zev. David notes that this has been brought up and now to go to Zev, that the Health Dept and the local properties involved may give greater leverage on Sup. Zev. David suggests we should consider item nine to not give up on the work that Bettie has developed for now. JJ moves to move on Number nine as written and to send a second letter to Sup Zev who sits on the MTA board, Bettie seconds. Bettie notes Pierce is separate from LAUSD. Bettie will have the 'grid' in the bids. If Zev gets the color grids to see the effect, Mary Ellen agrees with Bettie. Erick knows that Zine knows about this issue, but he seems deny as much. Everyone is passing the buck. Pierce says it is not Pierces problem. Erick likes JJ's plan to combine the motion, with attachments to Pierce for a full court press on this issue, cc Pierce and NC copies. Tess felt Zev can be very. Mary Elleen notes that Zine could be paying for this. Maria likes the attempts to solve the problem of stakeholders and Victor like the two letters. David thanks JJ's compromise. Eric withdraws his motion.

All infavor unanimously approval. Bettie needs the resolution to proceed with her letter to Sup Zev Yaroslavski. JJ moves to move on Number nine as written and to send a second letter to zev who sits on the MTA board Bettie second. **WNC-2013-031213-06** approved unanimously.

21. Discussion and possible action on a letter supporting AB22 by ASM Bob Blumenfield, which will, to quote the suggested letter, "require local governments to seek voter approval before shifting costs to homeowners to pay for sidewalk repairs damaged from tree growth." (Uebersax) [4 min]
- Motion: The WNC approves a letter supporting AB22 "which would require local governments to seek voter approval before shifting costs to homeowners to pay for sidewalk repairs damaged from tree growth."

David describes the situation. The city cannot shirk its responsibilities and the city has to vote. All NC has been in favor of people not getting sidewalks dumped on them; is having Sacramento telling the city what to do wise? Erick moves the motion as written. Greg seconds. JJ was adamantly against and the city even considering going to voter approval. Bettie agrees that having Sacramento tell us is wrong. Erick says that we need to put on the ballot what we want. Eric says that this vote is part of the budget blame game. Maria is a victim of falling trees. Maria submitted to the city that this damage occurred. Madison noted that so many sidewalks are bumpy and hard to ride along. Tess felt the same premise, there were band new trees, that trees would eventually grow and lift things up. Tess won't pay for it. As far as having a vote, Mary Ellen feels the city will go in this direction. Victor agrees.

David asks Bob's deputy was about funding; re the timing; is this unfunded mandate or we can avoid this with a weekend vote. David notes that the city is now pushing back so that as we tie the hands of the city, the city will find a way to cut back further. Eric notes we don't like the city charging, nor do we like the state telling what we do. David emphasizes that if there is an additional thing that we can do, that we should do it. **WNC-2013-031213-06** approved, by one vote, Eric will fill out for ASM Blumenfield

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sarah Andrade				x
William Hilliard	x			
Erick Lace	x			
Madison Lamoreaux	x			
Victor Lerma	x			
Eric Lewis		x		
Mary Ellen Moreno			x	
Trevor Owen		x		
JJ Popowich			x	
Tess Reyes-Dunn			x	
Marilyn Robinson	x			
Bettie Ross-Blumer		x		

Greg Sullivan		x		
David Uebersax			x	
Maria Young			x	
Total	5	4		

COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Discussion and possible Board action on the following reports: [2-5 min each/30 min total]

22. Budget & Finance Committee (Chn Uebersax) We need to set up a budget meeting. We have to vote on next month and run a meeting to prep the budget. David asks when shall we schedule.
23. Executive Committee (Chn Lewis) no meeting
24. Outreach & Public Relations Committee (Chn Robinson) bad timing ethics training was same night. Erick. This third Thursday will be the out
 - PR Cmte meetings: 3rd Thu. of each month, 7:30PM, Valley Village
25. Planning & Land Use Management Committee (Chn Popowich) will have a developer bring a project
 - PLUM Cmte meetings: 1st Tue. of the month as needed, 6:30PM, Valley Village.
26. Public Safety Committee (Chn Lerma) met at Topanga station, Capt has problem meeting at Station Sunny Brae will be the new location. On De Soto and Vanowen, people don't stop when engines pull out of the Fire Station. These cars coming out of the restaurants are unsafe, with no left turn signals and are against the traffic. Below Winnetka School, along Sherman Way, there are way too many 'for sale' signs on cars. So OM is considering having limited time for parking. Michelle Dornfest spoke about a neighborhood watch meeting in Winnetka. Went to the NW event, where a SLO Summit and have these once a year. Lance wants something once a year to put on the calendar.
 - PS Cmte meetings: 3rd Tue. of each month, 6:30PM, Sunny Brae Elementary
27. Public Works & Transportation Committee (Chn Uebersax)
 - PWT Cmte meetings: 4th Mon. of each month, 6:30PM, Limerick Ave. Elementary School, 8530 Limerick Ave., Winnetka There is a vacancy and seeking a board member. Met at Limerick Elementary, where the items we discussed. Come to next scheduled meeting. Along Winnetka near Gold Line, there is an alley at the rear. Asked whether there could be a gate along the dog leg, so that trash pickup, fire dept and residents can access and egress safely. Also, came up that there was an assault there, that there is a small gap between the sound wall and the residents want to work with nicknamed "Crime alley". This area needs to be addressed.
Future agenda item: Can opt out if don't want to be in the DWP survey area. At no cost.
Also another agenda item: Vanowen Mason Bridge if want an update for next PWs cmte.
28. Rules, Elections, & By-Laws Committee (Chn Lewis) Attendance issue along with budget meeting Put in agenda for for selecting a better posting location than Limerick. Put election committee canvas for the next election timing, which offers three choices outlined by Thomas Soong. Rough canvas: spring, fall or with the other election. Spring 2015. Spring 2014. Erick suggests we send in our opinion. Bettie likes to keep it as started. Spring 2014; the normal event. Canvas vote was mostly to keep the voting for spring, which is as it is for a four year election period.
29. Youth Advocacy Committee (Chn Lace)
 - Youth Cmte meetings: 3rd Thu of each month, 6:30PM, Valley Village
30. Training Ad-Hoc Committee (Chn Lace)
 - NC Ethics information and online test found here:
<http://ethics.lacity.org/education/ethics2007/?audience=done>
31. Mayor's Budget Representatives (Hilliard & Young) Mayor budget meeting this Sat. 8:30 to 12 local. William signed up via email.
32. LA DWP Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Committee and LA DWP Committee (Uebersax) Some folks with solar will be in a highly paid lottery so some will get lots of money for their solar paid for by others. JJ notes that others are putting energy back into the system. JJ asks if

there is a way to make our thought known as this is getting acted upon. The LA business council pushing the funding for the solar panel uses. WE want to push back on this. We should agendize this for a push back with Dr Pickell. The concerns of the Swedish study were ignored. There should be a trest area where there is no cost to opt out. Bettie asks who is paying for these meters LADWP? Some have said wrap the meter in alumni foil.

33. Neighborhood Watch Representative (vacant) Maria is interested in this position.
34. Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils Coalition (LANCC) Representative (Uebersax) LANC looking into checking acct said graycie; done is apologetic about the quarterly reports request.. The NC congress will bring up a resolution to help fund the NC congress from the NC's.
35. Reserve Animal Control Officer (RACO) Representative (vacant)
36. Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) Representative (Lewis/Hilliard-alt)
 - VANC Tenth Anniversary Mixer, Thurs., Mar. 14 at CBS Studios, Studio City.
 - JJ got no bill for mixer. Eric will get.
37. Good of the Order [2 min]
38. Future Agenda Items & other Calendar Events: [2 min]
39. Adjournment

Members of the public may request and receive, without undue delay, copies of any documents that are distributed to the Board, unless there is a specific exemption under the Public Records Act that prevents the disclosure of the record. (Govt. Code § 54957.5)

The Winnetka Neighborhood Council complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act and does not discriminate on the basis of any disability. Upon request, the Winnetka Neighborhood Council will provide reasonable accommodations to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure the availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting the Neighborhood Council Secretary at 818-718-0629, or please send an e-mail that states the accommodations that you are requesting to sullivan@hotmail.com.

SI REQUIERE SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCION, FAVOR DE NOTIFICAR A LA OFICINA 3 Dias de trabajo (72 horas) ANTES DEL EVENTO. SI NECESITA AYUDA CON ESTA AGENDA, POR FAVOR LLAME A NUESTRA OFICINA AL (310) 562-3268.

PROCESS FOR RECONSIDERATION

The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if that reconsideration takes place immediately following the original action or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two days, shall: (1) Make a Motion for Reconsideration and, if approved, (2) hear the matter and Take an Action.

If the motion to reconsider an action is to be scheduled at the meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: (1) A Motion for Reconsideration on the described matter and (2) a {Proposed} Action should the motion to reconsider be approved. A Board member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken can only make a motion for reconsideration.

If a motion for reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Brown Act.

PROCESS FOR FILING A GRIEVANCE

Any grievance by a Stakeholder must be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall then within no more than 30 days refer the matter to an ad-hoc grievance panel comprised of 3 Stakeholders who are randomly selected by the Council Secretary from a list of Stakeholders who have previously expressed an interest in serving from time to time on such a grievance panel. The Secretary will coordinate a time and a place, not to exceed 10 days, for the panel to meet with the person(s) submitting a grievance and to discuss ways in which the dispute may be resolved.

Thereafter, a panel member shall promptly prepare a written report to be forwarded by the Secretary to the Board to be heard at the next board meeting outlining the panel's collective recommendations for resolving the grievance. The Board of Directors may receive a copy of the panel's report and recommendations prior to any meeting by the Board, but the matter shall not be discussed among the Board members until the matter is heard at the next regular meeting of the Board pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act.

This formal grievance process is not intended to apply to Stakeholders who simply disagree with a position or action taken by the Board at one of its meetings. Those grievances can be aired at the Board meetings. This grievance process is intended to address matters involving procedural disputes, e.g., the Board's failure to comply with the Board's Rules or Bylaws, or its failure to comply with the City's Charter, the Plan, local ordinances, state law, and/or federal law.

In the event that a grievance cannot be resolved through this grievance process, the complainant has the right to appeal the matter to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment for consideration or dispute resolution.