

**Minutes of the General Board Meeting of the
RESEDA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (RNC)
Monday, August 16, 2010**

American Legion Hall 7338 Canby Avenue, Reseda, CA 91335

1. Call to Order

Cary Iaccino called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was led by _____

3. Roll Call

Roll call was taken by Secretary Chaparyan. Board members present:

Cary Iaccino

Vahan Chaparyan (Arrived at 7:05)

Lee Smith

Phil Merlin

Juan Guzman

Armineh Chelebian

Noelle Guzman

Helen Hatat

Timothy Mulholland (Arrived at 7:09)

Alejandro Reyes

Adna Shaked

Board members absent: Daryt J. Frank, Magdy Abdalla, Richard Dickerson, and Wendy Salinas.

9 of the 15 Board Members were present at the beginning of the Meeting, which is a quorum, so the Board could make Motions and take votes. Also attending were Stakeholders and Guests.

4. Introduction of City Employees and other visitors

Jose Martinez from Councilman Zine's office was present at the meeting.

5. Public Comment and Announcements

No speaker cards no comments

6. Review and Approval of RNC Minutes

General Meeting April 19, 2010, General Meeting May 17, 2010, General Meeting July 19, 2010, General Meeting August 2, 2010.

A motion to approve the April 19 and May 17 minutes was put forth by Mr. Merlin with a second by Mr. Guzman. The motion was passed with 5 votes in favor and 6 abstentions.

7. RNC Board Administrative Matters

There were no administrative matters discussed.

8. RNC Officers – Action / General Reports

- (a) Cary Iaacino, Chair: General Report – Yielded time
- (b) Daryt J. Frank, Vice-Chair: General Report - Absent
- (c) Vahan Chaparyan, Secretary: General Report – Made a short statement about catching up with the minutes.
- (d) Lee Smith, Treasurer: Treasury Report and Finance Committee General Report – Gave the financial report. A motion to approve the financial statement was proposed by Mr. Merlin with a second by Mr. Guzman. The motion was passed with a unanimous vote.

9. Presentation

Los Angeles Police Reserve Officer Rocko will present about the Los Angeles Police Department Jeopardy Program.

Los Angeles Police Reserve Officer Rocko gave a presentation about the Jeopardy Program. The Jeopardy program is a gang prevention program geared toward at risk youth from the age of 12 to 17. After the presentation, Reserve Officer Rocko answered questions for the Board and Stakeholders.

10. New Business

- (a) 2010 Banner/Holiday Decoration removal and replacement. Not to exceed \$6000.00.

Nancy Sweeny explained that the RNC must make a commitment to the contractors who will be installing the holiday decorations. After further discussion, the following motion was put forth by Mr. Guzman with a second by Mrs. Chelibian:

“The RNC shall approve funding for 2010 Banner/Holiday decoration removal and replacement, not to exceed \$6,000, subject to Finance Committee approval.”

The motion passed with 7 votes in favor, 1 vote against, and 3 absentions.

It was also decided that a fund raising campaign will be started in order to collect the remaining needed funds.

- (b) Funding for The Reseda Neighborhood Council Newsletter. Purchase of paper and repair of folding machine. Not to exceed \$1000.00.

Garth Carlson explained that the paper reserves for the RNC Newsletter were very low and more needed to be ordered soon. He also talked about the maintenance requirement of the folding machine. After further discussion the following motion was put forth by Adna Shaked with a second by Mr. Merlin:

“The RNC shall approve funding for the Reseda Neighborhood Council Newsletter for the purchase of paper and the repair and service of the folding machine, not to exceed \$1,000, subject to Finance Committee approval.”

The motion was passed unanimously.

- (c) The barbeque grills have been removed from Randall Simmons Park.

Phil Merlin explained that the removal of the barbeque grills were a big problem for both the users and maintenance crew of the Randall Simmons Park. After further discussion, the following motion was put forth by Mr. Merlin with a second by Adna Shaked:

“The RNC is in strong support of replacing the barbeques back in Randall Simmons Park and will write a letter to the Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation with a copy to Councilman Zine.”

The motion was approved unanimously.

- (d) Funding for new shirts and nametags for the Reseda Neighborhood Council Board Members. Not to exceed \$500.00.

Phil Merlin talked about the need for shirts and name tags for the RNC Board members. He explained that it made for a well organized looking group. After further discussion, the following motion was put forth by Mr. Merlin with a second by Ms. Hatat:

“The RNC shall approve funding for shirts and name tags for the Reseda Neighborhood Council Board Members, not to exceed \$500, subject to Finance Committee approval.”

The motion passed with 6 votes in favor, 1 vote against, and 2 abstentions.

11. Upcoming Agenda Items

- Possible reimbursement for paint that was used to clean up graffiti.

12. General Announcements and Upcoming Events

- CERT Training starting August 26 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

13. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:17 by Mr. Iaccino.

Minutes submitted by Vahan Chaparyan