

**Minutes of the General Board Meeting of the
RESEDA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (RNC)
Monday, June 21, 2010**

American Legion Hall 7338 Canby Avenue, Reseda, CA 91335

1. Call to Order

Cary Iaccino called the meeting to order at 7:18 pm

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge was led by Garth Carlson

3. Roll Call

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

Cary Iaccino

Daryt J. Frank

Vahan Chaparyan

Lee Smith

Anna Measles

Magdy Abdalla

Garth Carlson

Juan Guzman

Noelle Guzman

Phil Merlin

Timothy Mulholland

Board members absent: Jerry Hill, Jim Luis, and Fay Nia.

11 of the 14 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. Seating of the new Reseda Neighborhood Council Board

The new board members were sworn in with the oath of office given by Neighborhood Prosecutor Raffy Astvasadoorian.

5. Nomination and confirmation of new RNC Board Officers

Cary Iaccino was nominated as Chairman of the RNC. He accepted and was unanimously elected by the new board.

DJ Frank was nominated as Vice Chair of the RNC. He accepted and was unanimously elected by the new board.

Vahan Chaparyan was nominated as Secretary of the RNC. He accepted and was unanimously elected by the new board.

Lee Smith was nominated as Treasurer of the RNC. He accepted and was unanimously elected by the new board.

Phil Merlin was self-nominated as Parliamentarian. He was unanimously elected.

Magdy Abdalla declined the nomination for Sergeant-at-arms.

Juan Guzman accepted the nomination for Sergeant-at-arms. He was unanimously elected.

6. Introduction of City Employees and other visitors

Jose Martinez from Councilman Zine's office introduced himself to the new board. Raffy Astvasadoorian and William Larsen from the Los Angeles City Attorney's office gave an update on some of the cases they are working on. The Boy Scouts Troop 148 was also present.

7. Public Comment and Announcements

Anna Measles asked about committee chairs. Chairman Iaccino responded that the committee chairs will be determined within the next few meetings.

8. Review and Approval of RNC Minutes

General Meeting April 19, 2010, General Meeting May 3, 2010, General Meeting May 17, 2010, General Meeting June 7, 2010.

A motion was put forth by Mr. Merlin to approve the minutes from General Meeting May 3, 2010 and General Meeting June 7, 2010. The motion was passed with 9 votes in favor and 5 abstentions.

9. Presentation and Possible Action

Los Angeles Police Department West Valley Area will present information about National Night Out and is seeking funding.

A motion to table item 9 was put forth by Mr. Dickerson with a second by Mr. Abdulla.

The motion failed with 4 votes in favor and 9 against and one abstention. After further discussion, the following motion was put forth by Mr. Guzman with a second by Mr. Merlin:

"The RNC shall give \$500 to sponsor National Night Out in Reseda on Tuesday, August 3, 2010 pending Finance Committee approval."

The following motion to amend was put forth by Mrs. Chelebian with a second for Mr. Frank:

"Reduce the amount to \$250 with the option to increase in the next RNC Board Meeting."

The motion to amend failed with 6 votes in favor, 7 votes against, and 1 abstention. The original motion passed with 10 votes in favor, 1 vote against, and 3 abstentions.

10. CRA Reseda Project Area Update

Brian Pendleton presenting the latest updates. This item was tabled.

11. RNC Board Administrative Matters

Budget samples were passed out by Mr. Lee. He asked that the board members think about some possible allocation amounts for each category in the budget.

12. New Business

- (a) Ann Kinzle Memorial: During a luncheon the West Valley Police Department Community Room will be dedicated to Ann Kinzle. Funding assistance is request from the Reseda Neighborhood Council for this event. Mike Volante or other representative.

This item was tabled.

- (b) Relay for Life of Reseda is fast approaching and there is still time to sign up and celebrate those in our lives who have been touched to cancer. Garth Carlson or other representative.

A presentation was given by Maureen Volante explaining the purpose of Relay for Life and encouraging people to join or contribute in some way. After the presentation, the following motion was put forth by Mr. Dickerson with a second by Ms. Shaked:

“The RNC shall form a team for the Relay for Life event in Reseda on June 26, 2010.”

The motion was passed unanimously. It was also decided that Mrs. Chelebian would lead the effort to organize the RNC team.

- (c) Emergency Disaster and Community Safety Committee Recommendation: The RNC shall approve \$400.00 for stamps, envelopes, post card inserts, and 3 packs of post card packages for a contact mailing to four-five hundred stakeholders for an emergency plan letter to apartment/condo complexes in Reseda.

The following motion, which came from the Emergency Disaster and Community Safety Committee, was put forth by Mr. Mulholland:

“The RNC shall allocate up to \$400 for stamps, envelopes, post card inserts, and 3 packs of post card packages for contact mailings to up to five hundred stakeholders of an emergency plan letter to apartment and condo complexes in Reseda, subject to Finance Committee approval.”

After discussion, the motion passed with 10 votes in favor, 1 vote against, and 3 abstentions.

13. Upcoming Agenda Items

- (a) Spay and neuter pets / Stray cat problem in Reseda. Missy Woodward is requesting the opportunity to present to the Board

This item should be on the agenda for a meeting next month.

- (b) Future invitation to various political candidates to campaign or debate at RNC General Meetings.

This item should be on the agenda for the next meeting.

- (c) Proposal for the RNC to allocate funds to the West Valley Library for the purpose of buying books.

This item should be on the agenda for the next meeting.

- (d) Presentation by/from the Dennis P. Zine Community Center in Canoga Park.

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A new agenda item should be added to the next meeting to fill the vacant board seat.

14. General Announcements and Upcoming Events

- (a) American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Reseda June 26 and 27, 2010
- (b) National Night Out August, 2010
- (c) Social Security Information program at the West Valley Library Tuesday, June 22 at 6pm
- (d) San Fernando Green Team Coalition of Neighborhood Councils
Glen Bailey announced that shared lanes in which cars and bicycles share the road, are now open on Reseda Boulevard.

15. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:52 by Mr. Iaccino.

Minutes submitted by Vahan Chaparyan