

**Racquet Club Estates Neighborhood Organization
Minutes of January 10, 2015@ the home of Terry Towne
Board of Advisors Meeting
By, Joseph May**

Welcome and Introductions

Robert Perry called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Board members in attendance were: Robert Perry, Terry Towne, Dean Nicastro, Joseph May, Donna Chaban-Delmas, John Russell, Sylvie Teicher, and Lauren Scarbro. There were several members present.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes

Terry requested that the PSNIC report be added to December's minutes as an addendum. Joseph made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 2014 meeting. Lauren seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with the PSNIC addendum.

Financial Report

Dean reported that he is in the process of switching accounts to one with no fees. He said that we have \$30,050.65 in our checking account, \$2,465.00 in our Visa debit account, and \$5,500.00 in the former account that he is keeping open for a bit longer to allow outstanding checks to clear. There are still some outstanding payments for the home tour. Joseph will ask Ron Oliver for any and all paperwork that Ron may still have.

Officer Reports/PSNIC

Terry reported from PSNIC:

- We were encouraged to use The Buzz as this is a pilot year and if we don't use it we could lose it. The city is soliciting comments about the shuttle on the city website.
- The citywide picnic is Saturday, March 28th. There will be a celebration of the 10th anniversary of PSNIC and an unveiling of the new name One PS and the Nat Gazzano designed logo.
- David Ready announced that 2015 will be a positive year for the city and the focus will be to build public value for residents and tourists alike.
- A task force is being formed to address homelessness and anyone who might want to be a part of that task force should contact Terry.
- Wellwood Library will be opening soon as a historical/reference center and will be open daily from 7:00AM to 9:00PM.
- Michele Mician from the Office of Sustainability reported that the lawn buy-back program and the edible landscaping program are still in place. In

addition more bike routes are being planned including along Racquet Club Road in our community. Pedestrian injury zones are being identified and Measure J monies are going towards installing lights and crosswalks.

- The Clinton Day of Action is taking place in the Desert Park Estates neighborhood and Bill and Chelsea Clinton will be in town for the events.
- The fruit distribution program is happening and citrus can be dropped off at the following locations: American Legion at 400 North Belardo Road, Palm Springs; Mizell Senior Center at 480 South Sunrise Way, Palm Springs; Stroke Recovery Center at 2800 East Alejo Road, Palm Springs; and at the Church of St. Paul in the Desert at 125 West Alameda, Palm Springs. The Stroke Center and the Mizelle Center do not want grapefruit due to medications their members might be taking.
- Terry thanked Dennis and Robert for driving around the neighborhood with her to identify streets in need of repairing. The list will be submitted to the city.
- Terry announced that the city will be offering trainings for residents to become a part of Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). The trainings are Friday, February 6 from 6:00PM to 10:00PM and the following Saturday and Sunday (2/7 and 2/8) from 9:00AM to 6:00PM. Joseph will send a blast to the neighborhood as RCENO has offered to pay for the certification of up to five neighbors.

RCENO Blade Signs

The blade signs that Robert ordered have arrived. He will bring the ones to be replaced to the city and the rest will go into our storage at Lauren's house. Donna is going to look into having facsimiles of our sign created to sell at our events.

RCENO 2015 Home Tour

Our tour will be on Saturday, February 14, 2015 from 10:00AM to 1:00PM.

We reviewed the various tasks:

- Gene and Dennis have 27 docents lined and report that each home will have three to four docents each.
- Robert will print the badges for the docents.
- Terry needs three to four docents to help setting up the reception. Scott Workman and Kyle Hartmann volunteered. Donna will be a bouncer to bar people from entering too early.
- Rick is getting the wristbands and booties.
- Robert has secured a space for the reception in the MModern shopping center.
- Dean inquired about insurance and was assured that Modernism takes care of it.
- John will contact Lance O'Donnell to find out what equipment he needs.

- Lauren will ask Nat about buying a piece of art; we will pay up to \$500.
- Joseph will purchase wine, champagne, lemonade, and water.
- Joseph announced that Jenny Dillon and Eric Bowes would be working registration with him. Joseph will bring an iPod dock and John will bring an iPod loaded with music. This will be used at registration and at the reception.
- Lauren will check to see if she has the cash box and will let Joseph know. If she doesn't Joseph will purchase one.
- Lauren will bring Polo shirts to the 2/7-docent orientation for the docents.

2015 Festival of Lights

Robert announced that the float that he was hoping to secure would not be available. He asked if anyone wants to head the float committee. Nobody volunteered. Terry suggested that we contact April Gunkle (sorry but I didn't catch who she was or why we should contact her. Terry please remind me). We agreed that after the home tour we would focus on getting the float together.

Old Business / New Business / Other / Adjournment

- The question was asked about what is going on with the Cell Tower. PSUSD has shelved the idea for now.
- John will coordinate with Ron Oliver regarding our Facebook page.
- Terry will bring up the idea of a community olive press at the next PSNIC meeting

Robert made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lauren seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 11:06AM

2015 BOA Meeting Schedule

Month	Date	Host	Time
January	1/10/2015	Terry Towne	10:00AM-12:00PM
February	2/7/2015	Robert Perry	10:00AM-12:00PM
March	3/14/2015	Sylvie Teicher	4:00PM-6:00PM
April	4/11/2015	Donna Chaban	10:00AM-12:00PM
May	5/9/2015	Vista del Monte	10:00AM-12:00PM
June	6/13/2015	Rick Vila	4:00PM-6:00PM
July	No meeting		

August	8/8/2015	Lauren Scarbro	10:00AM-12:00PM
September	9/12/2015	Joseph May	10:00AM-12:00PM
October	10/10/2015	Block Party	3:00PM-5:00PM
November	11/14/2015	Terry Towne	10:00AM-12:00PM
December	12/12/2015	Robert Perry	10:00AM-12:00PM