

**Racquet Club Estates Neighborhood Organization
Minutes of April 14, 2018 @ the home of Lauren Scarbro
Board of Advisor Meeting
By, Joseph May**

Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions

Robert Perry called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Board members in attendance were: Robert Perry, Dean Nicastro, Joseph May, Dennis Adams, Jenny Dillon, Eric Bowes, Lauren Scarbro and Donna Chaban. In addition there were several neighbors.

Public Comments

- A neighbor asked if we take a stand on Measure C. We told him that we do not take political positions.
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Approval of March Minutes

Joseph made a motion to approve the minutes from March, Lauren seconded the motion, all voted in favor and the minutes were approved.

Financial Report

Dean reported that we have \$58,634.07 in our general account and \$5,728.14 in our Visa account. He stated that our storage fee is now \$145. Dean and/or Eric will get another quote for D and O insurance.

Officer Report

Denny gave us the update from the ONE-PS meeting.

- Lisa Middleton, Robert Moon, and the Police Chief were all in attendance.
- A vacant building ordinance is being considered.
- Representatives from COD talked about their plans for the Palm Springs Campus.
- The Racquet Club has been sold, no details of the sale were known.
- Speeding and pedestrian issues were discussed.
- We can approach the city about a road diet on Racquet Club. It was pointed out that we did that once but Denny encouraged us to re-apply as there is a new group who are more open to these types of suggestions.

Beautification Grant

The Beautification Grant Committee and approved one grant for the Hedrick/Ferrara family at 1911 Jacques for \$700. Three other grants were rejected.

RCE Blade Signs

There are several missing throughout the neighborhood. Robert contacted the company that makes them and found out that the price has gone way up. They are \$121.75 each but the price goes down the more we order. We discussed ordering them in bulk to have them on hand or to sell at a small profit. Robert made a motion that we spend up to \$2,000 to purchase blade signs. Denny seconded the motion and all were in favor. Robert will order. Dean suggested that we call the police about the stolen ones. We are not sure if they were stolen or blown off the posts.

RCENO Website

Robert told the group that our current website is antiquated and needs updating. He will look into it and the group decided that we should pay a professional to update it and train us how to work on it ourselves.

RCENO 2019 Home Tour

Robert requested our tour to be on the first weekend of Modernism in 2019. The Modernism representative told him that they could no longer guarantee that we get the date that we want. They told him that we give them our first, second, and third choice. We will request: 1st: 2/16/19; 2nd: 2/17/19; 3rd: 2/23/19. Robert suggested that if we don't get one of the dates that we request we would separate ourselves from Modernism.

A discussion ensued about the home tour. Steve talked about the confusion with Acme's maps that they distributed. It was also noted that their presence at registration was problematic. We agreed that next year Acme and Kaplan would not be allowed to set up in our registration or reception. In exchange for finding homes for us they could have an ad in our brochure. It was agreed that we would attempt to not have any vacation home on our tour. Robert made the point that it is very difficult finding homes and at the last minute, with a lack of homes, he sometimes has no choice but to add a vacation rental or two. He also stated that everyone could be involved in looking for suitable homes.

Annual May Meeting

Robert Moon and Christy Holstege have been invited to our May meeting. In addition the police chief has also been invited. The Ben and Jerry's ice cream truck has been ordered for the event. Five seats on the board are up for election. These are the seats currently occupied by: Joseph, Robert, Denny, Dean, and Donna. Eric reported that he would not be able to attend. Jenny will invite an ecology presentation. Joseph will send out blasts as soon as Robert sends him a flyer for the meeting.

ONE PS Picnic

The picnic went well and all who attended had a good time. We gave away all of our excess tee shirts.

RCENO Storage Unit

Robert is currently searching for a less expensive unit.

Old Business / New Business / Other / Adjournment

- The check to the Firefighter association has been awarded.
- Robert said that the house numbering project would be happening now that home tour is behind us.
- Lauren suggested that we give Palm Springs High school students scholarships, perhaps for architecture or design students. Joseph will inquire about the idea at the school as he is often there.
- Donna reported that the Desert Water Agency has some very nice books on desert landscaping that they are giving away. She will pick one up for each of us.
- Waterlines are being replaced in the neighborhood.
- Large item pick up will occur next week.

At 11:15 Robert made a motion to adjourn, Jenny seconded it, and all were in favor.

2018 BOA Meeting Schedule

Month	Date	Host	Time
January	1/13/18	Eric Bowes	10:00AM-12:00PM
February	2/10/18	Robert Perry	10:00AM-12:00PM
March	3/10/18	Denny Adams	10:00AM-12:00PM
April	4/14/18	Lauren Scarbro	10:00AM-12:00PM
May	5/12/18	Vista del Monte ES	10:00AM-12:00PM
June	6/9/18	Eric Bowes	10:00AM-12:00PM
July	No meeting		
August	8/11/18	Joseph May	10:00AM-12:00PM
September	9/8/18	Donna Chabon	10:00AM-12:00PM
October	10/13/18*	Block Party	4:00PM-6:00PM
November	11/10/18	Lauren Scarbro	10:00AM-12:00PM
December	12/8/18	Robert Perry	10:00AM-

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* Fall Modernism is October 19-21