

CCNA February Board Meeting Minutes - February 20, 2024 6:30pm - Zoom call

Board Members in Attendance: Karen Shelton, Bob Bernstein, Lorie Moreno, Emily Giza, Ralph Sattelmayer, Frank Wheeler, Stan Makris, and Bill Busath

Board Members Absent: Brandon Grundhoefer

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm.

1. **Secretary's Report:** Approval of January minutes: The minutes were reviewed. Karen made a motion to approve the minutes, Bob seconded the motion. All voted aye, the motion passed and meeting minutes were approved.

2. **Treasurer's Report:** Frank provided updated account balances through 1/25/2024:

\$6053.60 checking

\$6162.37 savings (.29 in interest)

Total: \$12,215.97

The only check was written for Lorie to pay for CCNA's internet/website host costs.

3. **Membership Report:** Karen reported a membership total for 2023 at 126. New members for 2024 so far total 48.

4. **President's Update:**

Carmichael Water District Proposal: Carmichael Creek Neighborhood Association signed on to our letter requesting more information before we could agree to support a combination with Sacramento Suburban Water District. The director, Cathy Lee confirmed receipt of the letter and advised they are continuing to collect public comments. She will reach out to Lorie with any updates.

Keith Devore, a long standing and valued CCNA board member, resigned from the board effective February 1, 2024.

PO Box renewal: A vote was taken via email on 1/28/2024 to allow an additional expenditure to renew CCNA's PO Box. Due to a miscommunication, the priority deadline was missed and the cost to renew was \$182, not the \$176 that had been approved in January's meeting. All approved the cost.

Website Update: Lorie is reaching out to CCNA's current website host to determine the possibility of automating membership and creating an online platform for renewals, communication with members, and payment for dues. She is working on assessing the option of just upgrading our current service instead of switching hosts. Our current host does not provide a particularly special service but it may be easier in the long run to upgrade the service instead of going through a whole new provider.

ACTION: Lorie will report back as to our options to stay with our current host and upgrade our website's capabilities.

Annual Meeting: Lorie spoke with Vanessa in Supervisor Desmond's office as to scheduling him to speak at CCNA's annual meeting. She will be meeting with him on Thursday and will ask whether he is amenable to attending a meeting on a Sunday. The board discussed the pros and cons of whether to host the meeting on a Sunday or a weekday evening. It was agreed that we would schedule around Supervisor Desmond. It was proposed to consider Effie Yeaw as a place to hold the annual meeting. The Main Event at Ancil Hoffman has worked well due to their capacity to serve food and drinks. Milagro is also under consideration. Karen has started to purchase supplies for the annual meeting mailing.

ACTION ITEM: Lorie will follow up with Supervisor Desmond's Chief of Staff to determine the best date for the annual meeting.

CPAC Zoning: Sacramento County's Community Planning Advisory Counsel met last week and hosted a workshop style meeting to explore the several state laws passed in the last 2 years that impact local zoning. There is a link on their website to view the recorded meeting. New legislation allows for the subdivision of low density lots to encourage more flexible development to address housing needs. CPAC is working on the back log of the state legislation to make sure local zoning is in alignment with these new laws.

ACTION ITEM: Lorie and Bill will review the recorded meeting to assess whether there are any major actions that will impact our neighborhood.

Homeless/housing progress: Lorie spoke with Vanessa at Supervisor Desmond's office regarding the \$25M award to address Sacramento County's homelessness challenges. The development proposals are for housing in close proximity to the American River. She advised that it is unlikely the development will happen in District 3. The winning proposal will be announced at the end of February or beginning of March.

The Salmon Habitat Restoration Project tour was a success. The team was very informative and the tour was excellent.

Fatalities at the curve on Fair Oaks Boulevard: There have been 4 fatalities in 1.5 years. Some action needs to be taken to mitigate the high speeds at which many drivers take the stretch from Fair Oaks and El Camino down to Fair Oaks and Garfield.

ACTION ITEM: Bill will draft a letter to the Board of Supervisors to request some form of mitigation/preventative measures.

Membership Renewal for Effie Yeaw: In the past, CCNA has supported Effie Yeaw at the \$150 level. The board discussed whether to increase the level or decrease support. It was determined that our comfort level was to stay at the \$150 amount. Bob motioned to renew CCNA's membership to Effie Yeaw at the \$150 level. Bill seconded. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Bylaw Discussion: The subject of CCNA's compliance with the IRS and Franchise State Tax Board requirements for 501(c)(4) was raised. It was advised that prior board members believe that CCNA did not need to file because of the limited income and activity of the organization. One of the points raised was that often organizations employ a two signatory system for check writing. As was noted however, CCNA's only income is membership dues, which Karen as membership, collects. Frank, as treasurer, keeps track of the bank statements, while Lorie as president pays the few bills as required. After some discussion, the current system seems to have sufficient checks and balances in place as it stands so we will stay status quo for the time being.

ACTION ITEM: Emily will check in with a CPA regarding CCNA filing requirements necessary to maintain or regain its status as a 501(c)(4) organization.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28.