Minutes of the General Board Meeting of the GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (GHSNC) Thursday, September 18, 2011

Granada Hills Charter HS, 10535 Zelzah Ave., Granada Hills, CA 91344

I. Call to order

President Dave Beauvais called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. President Beauvais lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call

Roll Call was taken by Secretary Sean Rivas. Board Members present:

Dave Beauvais, President Brad Smith, Vice-President

Sean Rivas, Secretary Brandon Schindelheim, Treasurer (Late)

Jerry Askew, Business Julie A. Carson, Member-at-Large

Alexia Cirino, Faith-Based (Late) Krisna Crawford-Velasco, Member-at-Large (Late)

Arthur A. Daush, Seniors Jett M. Dunlap, Member-at-Large

Gina Greschner, Renters Sally Kolstad, Education

Deron Lopez, Youth Activities Joel M. Lyle, Member-at-Large (Late)

Michael Phillips, Member-at-Large Ross Turmell, Factual Basis

Debbie Wubben, Member-at-Large

Board Members absent: Bonnie M. Bursk, Com. Prop. Owners (unexcused), Tiwinkle Khurana, Students (excused), Eric Mansker, Homeowners (excused), Robert Stevens, Member-at-Large (unexcused).

17 of the 21 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 approximately 12 stakeholders and guests, including Parliamentarian Mike Kabo.

III. Approval of the Minutes

Motion to Approve the May 12, 2011 Minutes with no Corrections. Motion by Mr. Rivas, 2nd by Ms. Carson. Motion PASSED with 11 in Favor and 1 Abstention.

Motion to Approve the June 9, 2011Minutes with 2 Corrections. Motion by Mr. Rivas, 2nd by Ms. Carson. Motion PASSED by Unanimous Voice Vote.

Motion to Approve the July 14, 2011 Minutes with 1 Clarification. Motion by Mr. Rivas, 2nd by Mr. Phillips. Motion PASSED with 12 in Favor and 1 Absention.

Motion to Approve the August 11, 2011 Minutes with no Corrections. Motion by Mr. Smith, 2nd by Ms. Carson. Motion PASSED by Unanimous Voice Vote.

IV. Public Comment

Captain Tom Reyes – LADF – Station at Reseda Blvd & Lassen St. – Gave general comments that even with Budget Woes we need to foster our relationships with the community. There is a loss in staffing and man power in our area. You will start to see local connections to the community via the firefighters. Happy to be a part of the community.

Ralph Kroy – Faith Based Representative, GHNNC – Asks for the board to put in motion for up to \$150 for 2nd Faith Based Meeting to be held jointly with GHNNC. Invitations have already been sent.

V. Community Speakers

Megan Cottier – CD12 District Director – LA City Council is in recess and has been quiet. Gave general comments on the food trucks in Granada Hills.

Dario Del Core- Senior Lead Officer, LAPD- Not In attendance to our meeting.

VI. Officer Reports

President Beauvais: Reminded Board Members that the Annual Congress of Neighborhood Councils is on September 24th. Updated the board in regards to the 4th Annual Disaster Prep Fair that will be held on Saturday, October 1st.

Vice President Smith: Announced some events that were being held in conjunction with the office of community relations at CSUN. Also announced approximately \$5,000 in pledges for the GH Pool.

Secretary Rivas: Informed the board that there is meeting space at VRHS#4 for us to use.

Treasurer Schindelheim: Announced that there is approximately \$34,862.42 total left in this fiscal years budget.

VII. <u>Board Issues & Updates</u>

Review and approval of US Bank purchasing card transactions and bank statements. Motion to Approve the Budget submitted by Treasurer. Motion by Mr. Schindelheim 2nd by Mr. Smith. Motion PASSED with Unanimous Vote.

Discussion and possible Board Action Support the Annual Congress of Neighborhood Councils. Motion to allocate up to %250 for this years event. Motion by Mr. Rivas, 2nd by Mr. Smith. Motion PASSED with 12 in Favor and 2 Abstentions.

Discussion and possible Board Action to provide permanent lighting to the Pergola at Veteran's Memorial Park. Motion to Refer to Beautification Committee. Motion by Mr. Smith, 2nd by Ms. Carson. Motion PASSED by Unanimous Voice Vote.

Discussion and possible Board Action to support the GH Rotary Foundation's ongoing operation and maintenance of the Veteran's Memorial Park such as DWP, Landscaping, graffiti prevention, and/or insurance, not to exceed \$2,000. Some board discussion occurred. Motion by Mr. Smith, 2nd by Mr. Askew. Motion PASSED with14 in Favor and 1 Abstention.

Discussion and possible Board Action to approve the purchase of additional lighting, installation and removal of lights from holiday tree at Veteran's Memorial Park, Amount not to exceed \$5,000. Lengthy discussion occurred. Motion to allocate up to \$3,000 which would cover installation and promotional banner based upon approval by the Rotary. Motion PASSED by a vote of 9 in Favor and 6 Opposed. Mr. Askew put forth a motion for reconsideration and his motion was to allocate up to \$3,000 for installation without the promotional banner. Motion was then reconsidered and PASSED with a vote of 14 in Favor and 1 Opposed.

Discussion and possible action to support the Grand Opening Event of Valley Academy of Arts & Sciences to be held on October 27, amount not to exceed \$500. Motion from Committee. Motion PASSED with Unanimous Voice Vote.

Discussion and possible board action to support the annual Granada Hills Holiday Parade, amount not to exceed \$2,000. Motion by Mr. Rivas, 2nd by Mr. Phillips. Discussion occurred. Motion to refer back to committee was put before the board, Motion by Mr. Smith, 2nd by Mr. Dunlap. Motion PASSED Unanimously.

Discussion and possible board action to purchase disposable cardboard waste containers for use at the bi-weekly food truck event. Amount not to exceed \$300. Motion by Mr. Askew, 2nd by Mr. Smith. Amendment proposed to the board to add an additional \$100 to add council information on the containers. Motion by Mr. Rivas, 2nd by Mr. Lyle. Vote on the amendment 13 in favor and 1 opposed. Motion to call the question was set forth. Vote for the question was Unanimous. Vote on Amended Motion to Allocation up to \$400 for purchase of Cardboard Waste containers with the councils information. Motion PASSED with a vote of 13 in favor, 2 abstentions and 1 opposed.

Board Confirmation for the appointment of Krisna Crawford-Velasco to the Beautification Committee. Motion by Mr. Askew, 2nd by Mr. Smith. Motion PASSED with 14 in favor and 1 abstention.

VIII. Committee Reports

Ad-Hoc Granada Hills Pool Committee (Brad Smith, Chair)

Mr. Smith gave a general report on the pool, and the information he has gathered.

Ad-Hoc Food Truck Committee (Sean Rivas, Chair)

Mr. Rivas gave a general report about recent happening at the food trucks. A possible plan in the works.

Outreach Committee (Sean Rivas, Chair)

Discussion and Possible action on reallocating up to \$1,000 from the GH Street Fair allocation to the September 10, 2011 movie night. Mr. Rivas gave a brief report as to why the funds were needed. Motion from committee. Motion PASSED with 14 in Favor, 1 abstention, 1 opposed.

Discussion and Possible action to allot an additional \$200 for 5th anniversary shirts from emergency outreach funds. Motion from committee. Motion PASSED with 14 in Favor and 1 abstention.

Planning and Land Use Management Committee (Jerry Askew, Chair)

Mr. Askew gave a general report on PLUM issues & Community Care Ordinance.

IX. <u>Board Member comments</u>, announcements and Agenda Items for next General Meeting and Committee Meetings.

Ms. Cirino: Invited the board members to attend the next Religious Event, and apologized for late arrival to the meeting. Mentioned that the Council is doing a Terrific Job.

Mr. Askew: Reminded the board that with the 10th Anniversary of 9/11 there is a sense of a possible threat.

Ms. Crawford-Velasco: Thanks

Mr. Smith: Gave a brief update to what is going on at CSUN.

Mr. Lyle: Apologized for late arrival, and echoed Ms. Cirino's comments about how the council is doing a good job.

Mr. Phillips: Sprouts has opened. Each Board Member should pay it a visit.

Ms. Carson: Asked the board to give Board Member Rivas a round of applause for his hard work to put together the movie night since he is doing most of the work by himself, and thanked Mr. Rivas for his hard work.

Mr. Rivas: Hoped to see all the board members at the movie night.

X. Adjournment

MOTION (by Mr. Rivas, seconded by Mr. Smith): to ADJOURN the Meeting

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 9:10 p.m.