MIRAMONTE NEIGHBORHOOD ASS'N BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 8, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm by President Chuck Bayles.

II. ROLL CALL:

Present--Chuck Bayles: President; Terry Borg: Secretary; Board Members: Sam Behrend, Marilyn Russell, Joanna Dinan, Anne Marie Laurian, Eduardo Guerrero, and St.Mark's Representative: Caroline Rondeau. Guest: Ward 6 Aide, Claire Kaufman. A quorum was declared.

III. ANNOUNCEMENT:

- A. Mr. Terry Borg announced that he was resigning as MNA Board Secretary. But that he would continue to serve as a Board Member. Secretarial duties henceforth will be temporarily handled by the President, pending a search for a new secretary.
- B. Sam Behrend proposed and the Board APPROVED expenditure of \$50.00 for a recording device to log the Board Meeting Minutes to assist in transcribing.

IV. TRAFFIC CIRCLE AT 3RD ST. BIKE BLVD. AND C.MIRAMONTE:

A. Construction of a Traffic Circle is ongoing at the intersection of 3rd St. and Camino Miramonte. The concrete circle is surrounded by iron poles (topped by reflectors) and connected by swag chains. Ms. Ruth Beeker's gift of metal sculpture which will adorn the circle's center is under review by the City of Tucson. Comment can be emailed to <u>MNAction@yahoogroups.com</u>

V. PROPOSED BIKE BLVD. IMPROVEMENTS BY THE CITY:

A. An additional Traffic Circle is proposed for the intersection of Richey Blvd. and 3rd St. Marilyn Russell noticed this at a recent Bike Blvd. presentation. A Traffic Diversion was tried and removed there a few years ago. Ms. Claire Kaufman suggested inviting TDOT's Project Manager, Ryan Fagan, to our next Board Meeting. He has accepted and will attend on February 12th.

VI. FUND RAISING IDEAS FOR MNA:

A. Marilyn Russell proposed having another Swap Meet like MNA did in years past. Several times it was held in the parking lot of St.Mark's and once it was held at individual neighbors' homes.

- 1. Caroline Rondeau will talk with her church about hosting it once more.
- 2. Details need to be worked out and reported at our next Board Meeting.

VII. MONASTERY PROJECT AND CHROMA DEVELOPMENT:

- A. Ward 6 Councilman Steve Kozachik addressed the Board with the following updates.
 - 1. Work on the Benedictine Monastery has started with asbestos and lead abatement issues.
 - 2. Utility preconstruction work will probably be started in the Spring.
 - 3. Board Members told the Councilman about the neglected appearance of some of the Monastery's oleander 'fence' and hedges. He will report this to the owner.
 - 4. The Chroma Development is being held up due to escalating construction costs.

VIII. ST.MARK'S 'DINNER OUT' IS HELD ON THE 4TH WEDS. OF EACH MONTH:

- A. Caroline Rondeau announced that the monthly FREE SUPPER/DINNER OUT will be held on January 22nd, 5:30pm, in the Knox Room on 3rd St.
 - 1. The main entre will be Chili Dishes.
 - 2. All MNA neighbors are invited, free of charge. Donations are welcome as well as side dishes, desserts, salads, rolls, etc.

IX. TREASURER'S REPORT:

- A. The Treasurer's Report was presented by Joanna Dinan in place of absent Treasurer, Sandee Reynolds.
 - 1. The MNA Account balance is unchanged since November. No Meeting was held in December.
- X. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE:
 - A. Sam Behrend addressed the Board and guests, with a special acknowledgement of Terry Borg, for his many years of service as a Member and an Officer. He has been a great contributor to the Miramonte Neighborhood Association. Many thanks, Terry!
- XI. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:42 PM and Sparkling Cider and Cheesecake was served!

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: Chuck Bayles, President

M.Russell, typist