

MINUTES FOR RANA BOARD MEETING

Monday August 05, 2019

6:30 p.m.

1143 Rim Road

Board Members in attendance: Emily Brockhoff, Renee O'Donnell, Cindy Carr, Bob Brannon, Cathi Banda, John Moye, Tom Casey, Sajir Haribhai, Rosanna Patton, Victor Urbina, Denise Kroeker

Board Members absent: Larry White, Flip Lyle, Lynn Westbrook, Mary Jane Perkins, Kate Gannon Moore, Robert Ardovino

01. Call to order. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. Emily Brockhoff as President of RANA welcomed and thanked the board members in attendance.
02. Review and approval/amendment of Minutes

Bob moved to approve and John seconded the motion. Board unanimously approved.
03. Treasurer's Report – John Moye

No treasurer's report was given. However, reimbursements were given to Bob for the 4th of July parade prizes and flags; Cathi for the 4th of July parade permit and traffic control police; Robert for the 5 de Mayo Annual meeting supplies; and \$450 to pay the Gardener during the Summer months of May, June and July. Board unanimously approved.
04. Review of Bylaws concerning Special Committees. Emily read from the special committee bylaws that were handed out by Bob at the July 1st meeting. The board is in full understanding of what the bylaws outline.
05. Special Committees:

- a. October Block Party: Bob motioned to approve a budget of \$1000 (as was budgeted for the 2017 Block Party). Renee seconded the motion. Board unanimously approved. Cathi agreed to obtain city block party permit.

- b. Communications: Kate not present, update will be given at a later meeting.

- c. City Review Committee: Nothing to report.

- d. City Parking Ordinance: Emily and Bob met with Bristol and Deputy of the City Streets Department in June.
Emily wants to meet with Elizabeth Triggs and with City Council members including Peter Svarzvbein to advocate for RANA and the Fairmont Condos soon.
Cindy motioned to petition the City to change City ordinance and special provisions that include: 1.) corner and side streets of entire perimeter of property, 2.) to include a courtesy party passbook, 3.) require a 60% signature total of entire neighborhood instead of the current block by block requirement , 4.) to require our parking district signage say 'No Parking M-F, 8am-2pm', and 5.) to extend the current 30 day signature requirement period to at least 90 days. Renee seconded the motion. The board unanimously agreed.

- e. Trash Pickup: Tom will consult with John Confurtino. Flip brought over rope to be utilized for slope trash project. Cathi is willing to help. Project will start in October when the weather is more favorable. Tom requested approval to purchase an extra 'Trash Picker-upper'. Renee motioned to approve request. John seconded motion. Board unanimously approved.

- f. Public Right of Way (ROW) Improvements: City requires our board to utilize the \$184,000 within 2 years. The consultant civil engineer from Quantum Engineering, Bobby Gonzalez, walked the Rim neighborhood on Aug. 5, 2019 and then spoke to Emily before this evenings meeting. Mr. Gonzalez specified that he does not recommend our boards proposed plans which had been voted on by previous

board. Our current board is willing to hear Mr. Gonzalez's recommendations and suggestions and is inclined to accept his professional opinion accordingly.

- g. Neighborhood Coalition: Cindy attended July meeting with nothing to report. Meeting mostly highlighted community awareness.
- h. City Plan Commission: Bob reported that Risher had forwarded an email from Las Palmas which confirmed that they had applied for a permit to start the new parking lot which was agreed under our terms of negotiation.
- i. Slope Stabilization Project: Robert not present, nothing to report.

06. Review of Sito's presentation / schedule TX Dot counterpoint?

As a board, we reviewed the point by point analysis that was prepared by Creosote Collaborative, an independent consultant that was contracted by Sito Negron and the Sunset Heights Neighborhood Improvement Association. This analysis states plans for the future I-10 Trent and Capping Project as currently proposed by TexDot; its potential impacts, potential budget for El Paso tax payers, property acquisitions, etc.... We also discussed in detail and reviewed TexDot visual conceptual plans. However, there was no motion to vote on whether to support the SHNIA at this time. We will invite a TexDot representative to our next meeting in order to gather a better understanding of both interested parties. Meeting will be on Monday, 9.9.19 at the El Paso Tennis Club at 6pm. This meeting will be open to the neighborhood, including Sunset and Kern neighborhoods.

07. Other business

Bob announced that the rockwall at Upper Tom Lea Park is finally repaired.

Bob plans on meeting with Eric Pearson to discuss the non-profit application process for RANA.

Cindy called Ted Marquez (from the City) with regards to a new trash can that was placed on the corner of Rim Rd. and Stanton St. Ruben Bustillo called Cindy back. Mr. Bustillo's private trash can company/advertising company said that the City approved the placement of this trash can at that location. However, Mr. Bustillo at the request of Ms Cindy, said he would remove the trash can immediately. John motioned to authorize a letter of support to for the Fairmont Condos (if needed) pertaining to the insistent removal of this private company trash can on the corner of Rim Rd. and Stanton St., in front of the Fairmont Condos. Bob seconded this motion. Board unanimously approved.

08. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:45. Next board meeting will be held on Tuesday 9.10.19 at 6 :30 at Denise Kroeker's house. 420 E. Hague St.