

**Annual Meeting of the Movie Colony
Neighborhood Organization
May 3, 2009
O'Donnell Golf Club**

Social: 4:30 – 5:30

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David Ready, City Manager hosted a questions and answer period with Graham Young.

David told us the lights on the tennis courts should be fixed. They are on an hour timer. Hopefully they will always be going off after one hour. If not call.

A question was asked about a monthly fee on our phone bills for emergency services. It has been there for about 4 years. The new option was to pay each time you dial 911 instead of the monthly fee.

State deficit are causing less people to work at the city. Friday furlows for non safety employees, no stimulus money for street repairs. Avenida Palos Verde street is in bad condition. Need to do something. This keeps coming up at our meetings. Seem to be paving around that street. City having to band aid asphalt in places.

Rael project on Palm Canyon and Alejo is on hold. Possibly smaller project. City Council voting to see if they should have a landscaped border with parking in the middle until building starts. Fences should go down.

Spanish Inn has a demo order...perform or demolish. There has been quite a bit of progress. Changing to hotel only. El Mirasol restaurant going in next door at Indian Manor.

Police Officers John Booth and Sam Steepleton spoke about our area. Rather calm. No calls for bad guys for 45 days. Call 327-1441 for Dispatch (non emergency). No swine flu reported in PS.

Dr. Nash, Desert Museum spoke about the progress of the museum. 2nd Sunday and every Thursday night are free admission. Museum has been opened up with more natural light. Museum is well respected and receiving gracious gifts and shows.

Business Session:

12/2/08 Minutes approved as submitted.

Treasurers Report, Phil Meyer. Balance is approx. \$4400.

Election: All incumbents were re-elected. Chuck Brobeck, Barbara Keane, Graham Young, Phil Meyer.

Crime and Safety, Chuck Brobeck. Helicopters still a bit of a problem. Wind has made it difficult for them to land. Call Dir. Of Security at the hospital if you need to complain. 323-6214, 323-6512.

Disaster Preparedness, Steve Smith, CERT Team Captain. Current 6 CERTs in Movie Colony. Fire Dept would like us to have 21. Next class in October. Call Janice at Fire Dept for more info.

Street Sign Toppers, Mary Lou Feenstra. A map was available showing where signs were being installed on the perimeter of the Movie Colony. If you would like to purchase one for your street the cost is \$81.00 per double sided sign. Call Mary Lou.

Real Estate Market, Barbara Keane. One sale in the last six months for \$1,800,000. 2 or 3 foreclosures or short sales.

Membership and Communications, Joan Smith. Joan is doing her best to collect names and emails for our correspondence. Neighborhood Involvement Committee was started 4 years ago. There is one member and one alternate from each neighborhood. They attend regular meetings. We have 180 residences, 60 come to the meetings and 30-35 households pay dues. We need to attract more members. It would be fun to have a social get together, picnic or block party. Some of the streets have done so.

Architectural and Engineering, Graham Young. Feels the street calming is working. He lives directly on it. El Mirasol opening soon. Spanish Inn to be a hotel only.

Uptown Merchants, Kurt Wendelborg. Has been trying to get discounts from the merchants for our residents. Boscoco gave us a free entrée coupon. Come out on Uptown night and look at shops. Lots of interesting stores on No. Palm Canyon.

Oversight committee for Ruth Hardy Park, Dick Mandell. Would we be interested in forming a committee to oversee Ruth Hardy Park with the other 2 surrounding neighborhoods to make sure we are all on the same page.

Mid-year meeting was not decided. Some expressed wanting a Sat meeting.

Adjournment: 7:10