## 3-5-13 RULES & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE MEETING FIRE STATION #87, GRANADA HILLS, CA

- 1. Call Meeting To Order Nancy Xander/Chair 6:40PM
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance Led by Nancy Xander/Chair
- 2. Committee Member Roll Call

Nancy Xander/Present
Frank Klein/Present
Debra Francisco/Present
Robin Tyler/Present-arrived late

Mike Kabo/Council Parliamentarian/Present

Resident/Stakeholders/Present – Count – 7 in attendance

- 3. Public comments on non-agendized items
- a. Nancy Xander stated that she would like to place on the 3-11-13 R&E committee meeting that we approve allocations for water and refreshments in addition to future printing costs.
- 4. Presentations None
- 5. Old Business
  - a. Short review of Phase I Committee Meeting bylaws revisions.
- 6. New Business
  - a. Continue with bylaws revisions
- b. Discussion, with participation by the Committee Board and residents/stakeholders present continued until the meeting adjourned at 9:00PM and are too numerous to mention in these minutes, however, some key points are indicated below.

## **KEY POINTS**

- a. Ernie Hilger stated that perhaps it would be prudent if a resident/stakeholder wants to run for a board position that they qualify by living in the area for one year. There were comments from other resident/stakeholders indicating they agree with a "qualifier" and perhaps 6 months would be better. This item will be discussed at the next Rules & Elections Committee.
- b. Review of what is a "factual basis": ensued; i.e. documentation which requires the resident/stakeholder to furnish proof of residency by submitted a phone bill, LADWP bill, cable bill etc. or do we wish to continue with an "affirmation" basis, wherein someone can live in Beverly Hills, but stop to pick up a Starbuck's coffee and thus have a receipt to "affirm" they are in North Hills. This will be discussed at the next Rules & Elections Committee Meeting.

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- c. Nancy Xander has contacted DONE to obtain further clarification on additional items; she has not heard back from them to date; she will continue to follow up on the areas of concern. There will be approximately 147 units on the VA property.
- d. There was discussion regarding the status of the New Directions residents as well as the Veterans who go to the Sepulveda VA and are also residents of North Hills West.
- e. It was suggested that wording be added so there are no conflicts with multiple family members serving at the same time on the board. Nancy will obtain clarification on this issue.
- f. Regarding accepting of applications for vacancies on the board; it was advised that the board has to accept all applications, however, the board will vote on each individual at a General Board Meeting.
- g. It was advised that if a board member abstains on any particular vote, that it is considered an automatic "yes" vote the way the wording is currently indicated in the bylaws. Discussion ensured and the consensus wanted it to state that an abstention should be just that, neither a yes nor a no vote. However, the board President should instruct the board to please try and vote in either a yes or no capacity.
- h. An important issue regarding who on the board has authorization to speak for the board at any given time. Currently, the board must make a motion, after every motion that the board takes a position on, i.e. Restaurant Depot, \$3Billion Street tax, etc. that the board gives approval to all members to discuss in public on behalf of the board as to the position the board has taken ONLY.
- i. Regarding filling vacancies on the board and obtaining applications; at present, the board has no applications. Peggy Burgess stated she has one and will forward to the committee to use when the need arises to fill a position.
- 7. Committee comments none
- 8. Meeting adjourns at 9:05PM