

East Sacramento Improvement Association

**Minutes of the April 6, 2015 Board Meeting**

Sacramento Room, Clunie Clubhouse

Attending: Paul Noble, Tricia Stevens, Tom Griffith, Brian Augusta, Rich Clowdus, David Diepenbrock, Ann Hamel, Jim Hastings, Brian Holloway, Nick Kufasimes, Kyle Mickiewicz

Absent: Cyril Shah

President Paul Noble called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

**Guest Presentations – *Invited Guests and ESIA members welcome***

1. New board members from MENA, Rich Clowdus, Jim Hastings, and Brian Holloway, reported that the vote by MENA members to dissolve the association and join ESIA was “overwhelming” with 58 in favor and 3 opposed. MENA’s final board meeting is the day after this meeting. Rich will provide a check with remaining MENA funds that will transfer to ESIA.

**Business Session – ESIA members welcome**

2. Minutes. Minutes for the last meeting, March 2, 2015, were approved unanimously, with edits by Paul – motion by Kyle, second by David.

3. Treasurer’s Report. Brian Augusta distributed copies of the March 2015 treasurer’s report and noted that there were few changes.

Ending balances for March were:

Checking \$3,426.84

Savings \$9,015.65

CD \$11,568.02

Brian also reported that he has received notification of IRS acceptance, form 990, final acknowledgement of reinstatement of our 501(c)(4) status. The treasurer’s report was approved unanimously – motion by Tom, second by Tricia. Discussion followed regarding saving money for possible for potential legal issues. It was pointed out that we do not have a policy regarding this and the question was raised regarding the need for one. Rich asked if board members are provided with year-to-date reports.

**Executive Session – *ESIA board members only***

**Old Business** (none)

**New Business**

4. Our new board members were welcomed enthusiastically and invited by Paul to tell the board what priorities they feel we should concentrate on. Rich said that land use should be a priority and gave the example of the new Chipotle that is too close to Folsom Blvd. Jim



recommended increasing member dues. Brian Holloway recommended getting the East Sacramento setback ordinance reinstated, tweaking the tent ordinance, and developing a relationship with Councilmember Jeff Harris. Brian suggested inviting Mr. Harris to our board meetings; Tricia suggested we invite him to our next meeting to discuss his relationship with ESIA.

5. Offer from Councilmember Harris's office to manage T-shirt sales at Pops in the Park. It was noted that the East Sacramento Chamber of Commerce is discontinuing this effort because they felt it isn't worth the effort. The consensus was that we should decline. Paul will let the office staff know that we are not able to undertake this project at this time.
6. Setback problem at 616 Santa Ynez Way. The oversized house under construction appears to be in violation of the setback ordinance as it extends approximately 6' beyond the house to the south. Paul will write the design director to ask if this house passed design review, to *suggest the possible need for a stop-work order, and to ask why we were not notified of the application to demolish or partially demolish this house* – motion by Brian Holloway, second by David.
7. Open. Tricia reported that the newsletter is almost ready and that is scheduled to go out on April 15, in advance of our April 29 general membership meeting. She added photos for the orchid nominations.  
Tricia reported that the long vacant site of Andiamo will become a Sellands; Brian Holloway added that the space will be divided between Sellands and Kru.  
Tom suggested that the board revisit priorities. Paul asked Tom to send the results of our 2013 goals and objectives exercise and the list of committees to the board. Paul will ask board members to submit their recommended priorities for discussion in a subsequent meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 pm.  
Tom Griffith, Secretary