

Minutes MVNA August 7, 2023

6-8pm Via Zoom

In attendance: Jean Rasch, Hans Jannasch, Pat Venza, Jeannie Ferrara, Marta Kraftzeck, Susan Nine, Nickie Bach, Ray Myers, Bruce Zanetta, Charles Martin

Guest: John Sovereign

Approval of minutes

- Minutes approved for July 10, 2023

Public Comment for any topic not on the agenda; no discussion.

- Susan encouraged all of us to attend the Carmel Planning Commission meeting on Wednesday, 8/23/23 at 4 pm, Carmel City Hall in support of the Carmel wireless group
 - Staff is going to present draft ordinance written by Campinelli
 - "Flowers not Towers"
 - Susan will post Zoom info
- Elizabeth and Hans trying to get a public meeting with Superintendent/Board/Neighborhood in late August or early September
- Discussion of possible landscaping award for people working to improve their property
- Possible recognition award in the future for a newspaper reporter in the local press, for agenda next meeting
- I Help, organization of churches that work to house/feed homeless people. Women also served. I Help is looking for help on the last Thursday of each month. Possible MVNA project?

Vote on new board member, John Sovereign

- Part of pickleball discussion/solution
- Active in NCIP, advocate of Ryan Ranch pickleball court
- Interested in being alternate for NCIP and will have to apply in a publicly noticed application, MVNA would recommend, NCIP is now a commission
- Has attended MVNA board meetings around the start of Covid
- Graduate of MHS '78
- Worked in the software industry and returned to Monterey about 5 years ago
- Passion for public art, mural tribute at Monterey Public Library honoring his mother, a reading specialist in Monterey public schools
- John had some ideas re Ryan Ranch making pickleball publicly acceptable, outreach to the Jellies to move the project forward, work with business to support health of employees in the area
- Unanimous approval of John as a MVNA board member

Picnic discussion - who is doing what?

Date of picnic is September 16 Advertising (Newsletter, City Council members, NextDoor)

Responsibilities:

- Marta, set up and clean up
- Ray, set up, serving, clean up, audio PA
- John S. will go to Safeway for garlic bread and ice; Monterey text station, 40 pounds of ice
- Elizabeth, salad
- Hans and Elizabeth for set up and clean up
- Alan Hoffa is serving, ask Ed Smith Tyler Williamson to serve as well
- Jeannie and Hans- Set up Registration/tickets
- Pat/Nicki, purchase supplies (check supplies and then purchase what is needed - plates, cups, plastic)
- Arthur and Bruce: BBQ, phonograph
- Susan: drinks, purchase and set up, need coolers
- Bill/Jean: serving, set up, clean up
- Pat/Nicki: Desert
- Charles silent auction

Issues discussed:

- Need to have 2nd set of servers, need to recruit servers
- Appetizers 12-12:30, lunch 12:30-1:30
- Length of the line, time to socialize
- Sign at entrance that food service begins at 12:30
- Portion control so we do not run out of food
- Next meeting, we will review spreadsheet of changes in needs for the picnic from last year
- Need a ticket taker, stopped second servings, needed for a final count of attendees
- John will join the servers for ½ time
- Ticket taker, sausages, salad, bread, potatoes, meat, desert
- Hans/Arthur will get fire started early
- Pat/Nickie will do condiments
- Kristen wrapped utensils, Hans shared bamboo plates/utensils less than \$1 each, need spoons for dessert. Hans to order 150 sets of plates/utensils, need extra utensils
- Sign for MVNA Picnic, perhaps need to have a banner made for future
- Monterey Fire representative will be there, they think they could bring the fire truck, kids will be able to climb on, where should we park the truck
- Should we allow local political campaign materials? Alan Hoffa, running for supervisor, introduce him but not a table of information, which implies MVNA is endorsing his campaign
- No table for materials, unsolicited we will have to see day of the picnic
- Charles silent auction items, honey, sign, bid sheets/pens/clip boards
- Donations? Fishbowl?
- Station for helping folks program their cell phones for emergency alerts- after the closing remarks. (John?/ Jean)

Newsletter

- Everything is submitted to Arthur
- Hans to distribute
- Advertising for the picnic, send it out to membership, NextDoor Monterey Vista area only need to be MVNA members, can join day of picnic, use flyer that Arthur developed as advertisement for the picnic, send newsletter out when available so people save the date

Underground committee (Ray and Bruce)

- NCIP funding Monroe Street or a conduit program
- Harris Associates meeting, conservative ideas regarding conduit program, indicated the project is better served by combining projects, thoughts about engineering could change but was unable to state what those were to Ray
- \$450,000 could be applied to conduit program
- Never enough time to get PG&E to move on Monroe Street, suggestion to go for a project at a different location with more lead time
- Use the money to show that the “poles are coming down”
- Are there models for Master Plans for conversion? Eg. Coronado, samples of processes to follow
- Finalized to include local energy resources as part of overall strategy for undergrounding
- New Monterey requested outreach seminar for Neighborhood, presentation about undergrounding, share of information
- 600' recommended minimum for an assessment district, streets need to be restructured combine Measure S project with undergrounding, 30% financial savings
- Encourage involvement in an assessment district for the public to see the benefits of a completed job and get the poles down
- Sustainability, resiliency, and possible incentives within Monterey to move ideas forward
- Difficult to run conduit under sidewalks, need to service both sides of the street with laterals
- Nexus between undergrounding and safety, possible fire hazard areas

NCIP project update

- Meeting on August 10, 2023 Hans & John, will discuss the amount of money available and where is the cut off

Comments on Next Door re Monte Vista

- When did Monte Vista become Monterey Vista?
- Does the MVNA board care?
- Possibly Monte Regio/Monte Vista combined?
- Curiosity....

MPUSD info...to share with other NA

- Discussion of MPUSD housing bond information
- Should MPUSD use their own funding for this project?

- Below rental rate housing
- Bond vs parcel tax
- Need to let people know what is going on with MPUSD and send to other Neighborhood Association presidents as essentially a heads up
- Make this letter the most neutral possible
- Write letter so it is clear that MVNA does not have a position but just as an information source
- Will edit document and include just facts, Nickie will take shot at rewriting
- Jean wants final approval of board via email vote
- Present concerns of citizens or write as questions