

MVNA Meeting Minutes

Monday, 01-07-2019

Solarium Room, Monterey Public Library

In attendance: Board Members - Hans Jannasch, Elizabeth Jannasch, Pat Venza, Charles Martin, Lois Hansen, Susan Nine, Ray Meyers, Michele Altman, Mike Pekin, Bruce Zenetta, Jean Rasch, Arthur Simon. Members and Visitors: Tim Barrett, Nicki Bach, Mary Ann Leffel, Hal Leffel, Tyller Williamson, Esther Malkin, Joanna Downs, Kathi Wojtkowski

Pat Venza called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Item #1: Review/approval of the December 3rd, 2018 MVNA Meeting Minutes delayed until 02-04-2019.

Item #2: There were no public comments.

Item#3: Esther Malkin and Tyller Williamson presented an excellent introductory presentation regarding Affordable Housing. In addition to discussing financial realities of individuals and families in the context of today's economy, their presentation pointed to the complexity of this issue. In summary or, perhaps, extrapolated from their presentation is that part of the complexity is due to the multiplicity of private non-profit entities coupled with many different levels of government entities funding the various affordable housing efforts being made. This results in so many requirements and conflicts for those who would develop affordable housing that the regulatory maze is almost impossible to negotiate through to actual housing being built. So, we do nothing or very little. Both Esther and Tyller spoke to the need to change zoning rules to help make the path to actual physical affordable housing easier. Esther's final comment on what we can do to keep this issue alive: Speak up at Council meetings, write to Council members about the need for affordable housing and consider adding an ADU (Additional Dwelling Unit) on your property. This was an outstanding, thought provoking presentation.

Item#4: Pat put forward her comment for approval by the board on the definition of Feasibility Study to be read at the January 9th Water Board listening session. Jean Rasch made a motion that the Board approve the comment for reading. Lois seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously. Pat encouraged us to attend the listening sessions. She stated that it is very important for all residents be present at as many meetings as possible.

Item#5: Pat announced that the next MVNA Meeting will be Feb 4th. Jean reminded us that the next Undergrounding Committee meeting will be January 28th. There was no time to discuss other items listed under Item#5 on tonight's Agenda as follows: cleaning of forest, changing of by-laws, pushing fiber optic study.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by

Lois Hansen, MVNA Secretary