

August 24, 2010 DRAFT

Call to Order/Attendance: Chairman Fred Raznick called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM. In attendance were members Jean Crawford, Nolan Zisman, David Lovro, John Calzada, and Jeanne Calzada. Also in attendance was Board liaison Pat Lavengood Eddie Marshall and Janet Wise were excused absences; Mary Anne Kenny was an unexcused absence. Guests Courtney White of Quevara Coalition and Amenita Thorp of Sun Star Herbs attended for a report on the "goat project".

Minutes of July 6 and Aug 3 Meetings: Accepted as submitted.

Board Liaison Report: Pat was questioned about the rental house and amplified music policies. She reported that there was no discussion this month on either topic.

Old Business: Goat Update: Amenita Thorp reported that the goats covered about 50 acres in the north greenbelt; she was pleased with the effectiveness of the effort in controlling weeds. She also felt the publicity and resident receptivity was very positive. She believes the better approach would be to work the goats in the greenbelts during May to keep the trails open for use; then again in September to prevent seeds from spreading. Courtney White is very familiar with use of goats for weed control and reported that other community municipalities were turning to goats for weed control as a better solution than herbicides or mowing. He suggested if we want to use goats for weed control, we seek a "partnering" with the County for funding. It was suggested he make a similar presentation to the Conservation Committee as they will be responsible for any future efforts at weed control with goats.

5-Year Plan: Especially for the benefit of those who missed the Aug. 3 meeting, Nolan led the group through the draft "F&G Identified Priority Capital Projects." Based on an actual estimate Eddie Marshall obtained on replacing the tennis courts, the estimated costs of doing both courts and placing gates in the fence to accommodate a tractor passing through will be changed to \$75,000. The attendees agreed that both courts should be done at the same time, and that asphalt would be an acceptable surface instead of concrete. The committee members also stressed the need to have good drainage and to include timely snow removal in the maintenance plans for both the tennis and basketball courts in order to protect our investment in those surfaces for their full useful life. On behalf of the Finance Committee Nolan reviewed the existing financial situation and the probability that little additional funding would be added to the Capital Reserve at the end of this year. This preceded a discussion on the minimum practical cost of Phase I of the Landscaping Plan. David indicated in his professional opinion, Phase I should not be less than \$30,000. He will provide Nolan with a brief explanation for inclusion in the 5-year plan. While Jean had received a note from a member of the Eldorado Dog Club, the committee agreed to leave the small dog annex as a medium priority until we get our requested response regarding number of potential users and design considerations. Nolan will add descriptive paragraphs to the Plan as needed. There being no other changes, the attendees approved the amended 5-year plan by a 5-0-0 vote. Once the additional text on Landscaping Phase I has been received from David, Nolan will add and send a copy of the Plan to the

Committee members; and Fred will submit to the Board.

New Business: Compadres Park: The Calzedas reported they observed severe vandalism, including serious damage to the play equipment, and obscene graffiti at Compadres Park. The Committee members expressed deep concerns that our security efforts are not matching our needs for protecting our assets and there should be a detailed review of this subject at our next meeting.

Maintenance Activities: A couple of committee members mentioned observing the maintenance workers doubling or tripling up on activities that seemed to require only a single person, as well as a lot of idle chit-chat between them. The question was raised and discussed about the role of F&G in monitoring the accomplishment of identified maintenance/repair/replacement requirements. The general consensus was that all aspects of ECIA facilities and grounds were within the scope of the F&G charter and that the charter needed to be clearer on the issue of maintenance/repair/replacement "oversight". This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Date of next meeting: Due to availability conflicts in Sept. prior to the BOD Sept. meetings, and the Board retreat to be held on 9/18, the next F&G meeting will be on Oct, 4, 2010, at 4PM.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6 PM.

Submitted by Nolan Zisman, Secretary