

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF LOWER RIO PUEBLO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Pueblo Neighborhood Association met at 6:00 p.m. on January 9, 2007, at the home of Helen Doroshow, Ranchos de Taos, NM.

Present at said meeting were the following Directors, constituting a quorum of the full board: Irene Gates, Bob Long, Bob Brock, Helen Doroshow, Larry Brooks and Mark Cowan. Absent were: Sheila Grainger and Doug Scott. Also present was Suzanne Brock, Harry Mayhew, Peter Adang and Bob Gates.

Bob Long opened the meeting by having Irene read the minutes from the last Board of Directors meeting which was held on July 27, 2006.

Bob Long opened the discussion with the topic of our third annual meeting. At first it was decided that we would have our annual meeting on February 25 with a potluck and possibly held at the National Guard Armory. E-mails would be sent to everyone we have an e-mail for and regular mail to all others. A nominating committee of three people is needed to nominate a list of people for the election process. After reading the By-Laws, it was put before the meeting that one of the Board of Directors is to act as the chairman for the nominating committee and the other two shall be members of our association. No one volunteered to be the chairman.

Since no one from the Board volunteered to be chairman of the nominating committee, it was brought up that we should probably have a social gathering of all neighbors, new and old, and that way people can meet each other. Bob and Suzanne Brock volunteered their house for the event and it was decided that the Association shall pay for refreshments and light snacks.

The date of January 28 at 2:00 p.m. was chosen as the day and time for the "meet and greet" with Irene sending out e-mails, letters or someone going door to door handing out invitations. It is hoped that with this social gathering new members can be enlisted into the Association and possibly on the Board. It was the general consensus of the people present that we need some new "blood" on the Board and in our Association to keep it active and moving forward.

A newsletter will be written up and sent out the same as last year. We will ask Doug Scott to work on this as he did on the last one. Larry suggested that perhaps a summary or bio's of the new neighbors can be added to the newsletter along with Jim Steinbach's latest news about what is happening up at the County offices.

Bob Long brought to our attention a new County zoning ordinance which states that neighborhood associations can do their own zoning. Larry seemed to think that the County wants to help the neighborhood associations do some planning and zoning and

get involved in part of the process that might involve types of uses in a particular neighborhood. Larry believes we should all be interested and get involved in this process as a steering committee and as the ears and eyes of the neighborhood association and to take an active roll in land uses in this area. Of course, the neighborhood associations can only make recommendations as to what we prefer but have no legal rights.

Mark brought up an interesting point about which he was informed by a member of the Llano Quemado NA and that is our Association had overlaid their Association in our boundaries. This is the first any of us had heard about this. Mark said he will be finding out more information about this and will keep us informed. He suggested we just keep acting as we have been as far as the Association is concerned

Bob Brock thanked Bob Long for sticking it out this long as our acting President. Bob Long has had a lot on his plate lately and has been asking the Association for months to be replaced, but so far no one else is willing to take the position of president.

There being no further discussions or business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned.

Irene S. Gates, Secretary