

EASTERN SANDOVAL CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

NOVEMBER 11, 2019

4:30 PM

Placitas Community Library HWY 165

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 4:31pm
2. Roll Call: George Franzen (GF), Dick Ulmer (DF), John McNerney (JM), Richard Reif (RR), Wayne Gaede (WG), Jacques Ramey (JR), and Peter Adang (PA) were present. Scott Gullett (SG) and Jim Harre (JH) were absent. A quorum was present.
3. Acceptance of minutes: The minutes of the October meeting were accepted.
4. Introduction of Guests: Chris McGill (CM), Emily Stovel (ES), Chris Daul (CD), and Maria Adang (MA) were present as guests. ES addressed the board. She is the director of the museum initiative for the Town of Bernalillo. She gave some of her background, attached. She has been in the museum field for some years, starting at Casa San Ysidro. There is an advisory council and has been ongoing for some time. The museum will be in the old library, the building that used to house the library. It is a good space for the museum. GF asked how far afield will the museum cast, in Placitas? ES says it would cover the broad Bernalillo, including Placitas and other communities including pueblos and other entities. Her focus will be on children. It won't be just a history of Bernalillo. The exhibit plan will be thematic, diverse, and appealing to the diverse population of the area. GF remarks that the Land Grant should have a large presence. ES agrees. DU wonders that he hasn't heard of it. CD reports that the County has given some support investment through Commissioner Bruch's office.
5. MONTHLY REPORT –ISSUES - UPDATES
 - a. Treasurer's Report: WG reported that as of 9/30/19 ESCA balance was \$26,295.81. Income includes dues from 16 members for \$625.00, a donation of \$25.00 and interest of \$1.12 for a total of \$651.12. Expenses include bank fees \$15.18. Ending ESCA balance on 10/31/19 is \$26,931.75. The expenses for the Annual Meeting will appear next month. As of 9/30/19 LPT balance was \$31,766.21. There were no expenses for the month. Income was \$1.34. There were no expenses. The LPT balance on 10/31/19 is \$31,767.55. The transaction reports, attached, itemizes income and expenses. WG adds that the \$25.00

donation was split by Stripe with took a \$1.03 fee and submitted the \$23.97 balance. This was NOT a membership fee nor renewal, WG has to figure out why it happened this way. The donation went through PayPal, which took its fee.

- b. Membership Chair & HOA Coalition Report: There is no report this month.
- c. LPT Report: DU reports that the website contribution chart is up to date with the current financial report. We got a response from Commissioner Bruch that the meeting with Vulcan will tentatively be January 28th. She passed on our requests for information we would like to know, essentially what progress is being made with regard to completion and reclamation of areas 1 & 2. Those are the areas to the east of the main arroyo through that mine. Also, status of activity in area 3, the area adjoining the La Mesa and Sundance HOAs. DU says from his point of view, area 2 is where the most active mining is going on, but it looks like the equipment doing reclamation is working on area 1 which was mined out several years ago. No additions issues from Bob Wilkens, LPT coordinator for Sundance, though Bob had not heard from Barbara, the Vulcan PR Representative. With regard to the Buffalo Tract status, the County had the Washington lobbyists (the lobbyists on behalf of the Commission) were in town on 10/23, Cmsr Bruch indicated that she has discussed with Mr Donnelly, Principle of the lobbyists, of our requests, and could they work in Washington with Mary Rose Szoka, our "feet on the street" in Washington DC, a co-resident of there and Placitas. We would like the bill get some traction, and Szoka and her son have been working on our behalf, working it around to the various legislators is the way to get it moving. And we asked if Donnelly had any input with regard to the projected growth of the Albuquerque area, specifically the demands for sand and gravel in the area. The sand and gravel lobbying group had claimed that growth and demand would skyrocket, in our view an outlandish claim, and we would like to know what the real projections would be to read into the record to refute it. Our Congressional delegation has been focused on the Chaco issues. They are working it, and it takes priority, but US Rep Deb Haaland said at our annual meeting that she would be able to get our bill out of committee and into the House agenda. Getting it through the Senate will be another matter. On other subjects, the hot issue in the area is now the reconstruction of US550, which has impacted many residents. GF added that the Placitas Chamber of Commerce meeting at the Realtors Office, the head Janice Philips, gave GF a briefing on the topics. They are talking about the open field area west of the Merc and across Tierra Madre, there are some acres. Their plan is to develop the area of the Merc to have 9 duplexes single story 2 car garage 1800 sq ft, 50 ft between bldgs, with a small park, and another 3 units across Tierra Madre. They need to apply to P&Z to convert the zoning from light industry back to residential. It is all very preliminary. CD says the property has not been subdivided yet. Vineyard Homes will be doing it, tearing down the existing building. Their main problem would be

to develop septic, and they need 4 wells. MA reported that she spoke to Deborah Short, the developer, who said she wanted to get the approval from the community before moving forward. The purpose of the meeting is to get a feeling from the community. GF said his concern is that they would be converted to rentals. CD reports that there would be an HOA with a covenant prohibiting rentals.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Membership Drive: GF handed out a document of people who attended the Annual Meeting but were not members. Do any of the Board Members know any of these? Some of the Board Members knew some of the people, and then some Board Members volunteered to contact them to see if they might be interested in joining. GF will send an email out, and after a week, Board Members will make personal phone calls.
- b. Practices For Board of Directors and Committee Chairs: GF wants to update these practices. How are WG, RR, and JH coordinating their checks. Separate out the duties of the Recording Secretary from those of the Secretary. DU reports that next meeting he will update members of the LPT board. PA agrees to look it over and suggest edits and changes.

7. NEW BUSINESS

2020 Draft Budget: WG submits a proposed budget. WG sent the budget out to the Directors, WG moved over the 2019 ESCA budget figures to 2020, except that membership promotion was \$1840, GF asked him to reduce it to \$1000, which he did. He also changed meeting expenses, last year was \$1000 and WG split into expenses for annual meeting and board meetings. The board meeting expense was \$600, formerly called "donation to the Placitas Community Library" but is now an expense. The annual meeting expense is \$1500. This was what is reflected in the budget I sent out. CD said we also want to do a candidates' forum. This could be combined with the annual meeting but in the past we have done 2 separate events. GF includes another item called "candidate forum" an entry as a sub-entry of meeting expenses, \$200 for rental and water. WG asks whether to make an adjustment to income or to take it out of another expense. Neither expenses nor income for November or December are included. We are projected 12 new members. WG says for 2019, our estimated income was \$8000, dues was \$7888 of that, and we only brought in \$5600. RR remarks that we are under budget on income in many places, WG says we are also under for expenses. We can project that the membership drive will generate more income. WG lauds Susan Fullas (former

treasurer) who helped him. WG suggests we go over LPT budget first. RR asks budget vs actuals on ESCA, on income we are way under budget on 4 items, WG says the distributed sheet is under budget by \$2,200 over budget and he has an explanation. The bottom line is -\$2,222. RR says they are really losses. We budgeted \$8,000 and spent \$8,196. We budgeted \$500 and spent \$3240. That's around \$6,000. WG has an explanation, he has an adjustment that brings it down to about \$6,000. We will discuss it when we talk about the ESCA but let us deal with the LPT budget first. LPT's budget is the same as last year. We have projected income of \$5,030 which is comprised of donations of \$500 and interest of \$20, and a transfer from LPT "reserves" (prior balance) of \$4,510 to cover our budgeted expenses. DU says we take money contributed for our "war chest" and put it into our reserves. WG says it is reflected on the 2019 budget to actual sheet. We projected donations at \$500 and it came in at \$350. We projected interest at \$20 and it came in at \$13. Actual expenses were \$2,352.49, less than half of what was budgeted to be spent in 2019. Done with LPT budget. Now, ESCA budget. Dispose the distributed sheet and take this updated sheet, drawn with red. The ESCA legal fees were \$888.35. The \$2352.49 in legal fees, but those are for LPT. So the hand corrected sheet shows tot \$5844.36 instead of \$888.35. The legal expenses were paid 1/18 to Ludwig for review of the by-laws and eligibility of a Director. Actually, there is a difference of only \$130.32. The budget is \$2,000 under projections of revenue but also \$2,100 under projections for expenses as of today for a difference of \$130.32. The budget also has areas that projections could be changed. For example, income \$5,974 for income and we projected \$8,000. Our real expenses were \$5,844.36, our budget could come down by \$2,000 instead of overestimating the income side. GF wants \$200 into the candidate forum and adjust it. We need to include the annual meeting and for advertising, we have \$800 for advertising, this year we spent \$1,250 including the full page ads in the Signpost. We also spent \$275 on the Placitas Artist Series. DU says the Signpost has a 3 ad package for a discounted price. GF says \$800 is a good number for advertising. WG says the stripe fee was \$137.42 for new memberships. DU says that is a ratio of membership income that WG will address. RR says website budget is \$300 but nothing has been paid. JH knows, WG has some the numbers are included in internet and software, for example BackupBuddy and Fat Cow hosting services. DU reports that we also used to have a consultant. WG will recalculate, wrap it up, send it out for approval at the December meeting. DU wants the actual spending reported. WG reports that the report is Jan 1 through today, DU wants the budget wants a comparison between the 2019 actual and 2020 actual. WG will have it balanced.

8. OPEN DISCUSSION

Article for Dec Signpost. GF wants some ideas for the article. We are short on newsworthy items. GF suggests a Holiday Wish to the Community. GF has no hard news. CD suggests we will be meeting with Vulcan, staying in communication with the Congressional delegation, DU and SG will work on it. CD reports re: the 550 traffic. The

Commissioner has spoken to the State Engineer, the main thing is the timing of the traffic lights. DU says the problem is a lack of left turn lanes. CD says the traffic signal lights can be better timed. CD says it is an 18 month project, but done in sections. In the past, there was lots of community discussion, but this time the proposal of the continuous left turn lane has been called a disaster, there was discussion about the usefulness of some of the designs have only worked intermittently in other states, but this one has the approval and they will be going through with it. There will be issues at peak hours. It is designed for 70,000 vehicles a day, currently it's 50,000 but developers are talking new housing developments. It is a state project, we as the County can only work with them. DU reports that there has been losses by the affected businesses. DU also asks about the Fisher project, the 7 year agreement to get it in place, we are within 2 years. CD says 7 years to do the digging and 2 to get rid of the detritus. How will we know if Fisher comes back to the Bernalillo Commission to reopen the project? We are not tracking it. CD is tracking it and will report if there is any activity.

9. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 5:41pm.

Next meeting 9 December, at the Placitas Community Library, AT 4:30PM