



## Little Tuscany Neighborhood Organization (LTNO)

### Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 20, 2021, 5:00PM

#### Roll Call:

**Board Members** – David Anderson (Secretary), Liz Loomis (Treasurer), Tyler Burton (Modernism), Rebecca Hendrickson (Acting Chairperson), Rachel Sheedy (Vice Chair). ABSENT: Darin Roper (Communications Officer) Denise Hoetker (ONE-PS Rep & Temp Social/Education Chair), Daniel Hall (Member).

**Committee Chairs** – Robert Deak for Fred Balduini (Beautification). Absent: Ron Mesh (Crime & Safety)

**Guests** – Robert Rotman (resident), Maurice Wilson (resident), Dann Smith (resident) and Christopher Bedford (resident), Ned Barker (former Board Member, currently Administrative Assistant to the Board).

#### Treasurer's Report:

Liz reviewed the Report, and indicated a balance of \$19,105.96 as of October 20, 2021.

Motion made by Rebecca to accept the budget of \$4,000.00 expenses for MW 2022. It was seconded by Liz. Motion passed unanimously.

### Standing Committee Reports:

#### Modernism Report (Liz Loomis and Tyler Burton)

Modernism Week will be February 17, 2022, through February 29, 2022. Little Tuscany will once again feature 8 remarkable homes, on Saturday, February 19, 2022. Ticket distribution will be at Paws Coffee Co. (N Palm Canyon @ W Racquet Club) once again. Meetings are monthly. Tyler & Robert volunteering to lead the docent volunteer coordination, seeking about 100 in total.

**Neighborhood Beautification Report** (Robert Deak, Committee member, standing in for Fred Balduini)

**Monument Signs.** Multiple sites are planned since there are multiple entries to the neighborhood. And sites on Hwy 111 can't be used since 111 is a State Highway. Therefore, the board thought that starting with a single Monument Sign would be best, creating a model for future signs. Motion made to approve one monument site for now, funded before the other sites, and get the glitches out before others are started, by Liz and seconded by Rachel. Passed unanimously.



### **Education & Social Report** (Rebecca spoke on behalf of Denise H.)

Rachel suggested that with high season returning, it might be a good time to conduct another neighborhood cleanup. Rachel and Liz both volunteered their homes to host a neighborhood social gathering. Unfortunately, it appears that the Palo Verde Garden Center nursery at 2393 N. Palm Canyon has closed.

### **Crime & Safety Report** (Ron Mesh)

No report. A home break in was discussed nearby West Racquet Club, looking for money.

### **New or Unfinished Business**

#### **Annual Meeting Plan** (Ned Barker)

Liz made motion, Rachel seconded to go with Rick's due to cost and space availability. Motion passed unanimously. Dates were discussed, and Sunday February 6, 2022 (2pm – 4pm) was determined to be the best.

A list of the term dates for board members was shared with the Board prior to the meeting. Currently, one position is open, two others will open in February.

#### **Little Tuscany Open Spaces** (Liz Loomis)

Liz reported on Boulders and Crescendo. Both parcels have naturalists reporting more floral items than expected. She said the Land Trust is more interested in Crescendo since it is not already developed on three sides as is Boulders. The committee has been meeting with individual City Council. She cautioned that this will be an ongoing battle and we must be vigilant.

#### **Organized Neighborhood Enclaves of Palm Springs (ONE-PS Denise Hoetker)**

Denise was absent but her summary was read by Rebecca.

Ned will contact Steve Moses from the Old Las Palmas Neighborhood Org. about the median strip on Vista Chino.

A reminder was given about the Grand Opening on Oct. 21st of the new city park downtown.

Discussion ensued regarding LTNO submission of a proposal to the City of PS in response to their request for proposals to utilize excess monies from the Measure J tax. The Board decided to concentrate on a proposal to improve traffic control on West Racquet Club Road. Many prior discussions have ensued on this topic, and the consensus seems to be that automobile speed/safety, pedestrian safety and beautification must all be parts of the solved for. A committee was formed of



Maurice, Dann, Robert, Ned, and Tyler. The proposal is due to the City on Dec. 2, 2021.

**LTNO Web Site** (Ned Barker, David Anderson)

Ned Barker presented the final version of the web site, and expressed hope that it could be launched at the annual meeting or sooner. Final suggestions, corrections, and additions should still be submitted.

The Board expressed skepticism that donations or monthly advertising fees would be a significant profit center.

**New Business** (Ned Barker)

David Anderson graciously volunteered to be Acting Chair for the November meeting.

**Closing:** Acting Chairperson Rebecca Hendrickson adjourned the meeting at 6:31pm.

**Next meeting is 11/17/21 via Zoom.**

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*Minutes: Presented and proposed by David Anderson*