Minutes: MSPA Regular Board Meeting – January 3, 2013

The next MSPA Board Meeting is scheduled for February 7th at 8 am at Citibank's Community Room, rear entrance 2350 Honolulu Ave.

Meeting was called to order at 8:02 am. Minutes of December 6th were approved as written.

Board Members and Guests Present: Ken Grayson (Grayson's Tune Town – President); Andre Ordubegian (Copy Network – Vice President); Corey Grijalva (Joselito's Mexican Restaurant – Treasurer); Danny Pranata (Honolulu Wood & Things – Secretary); Jake Menachian (La Perla – Board Member at Large); Gigi Garcia (It Takes A Village... Kids – Board Member at Large); Dale Dawson (MSPA – Executive Director); Linda McMenamin (MSPA – Events Coordinator); Steve Pierce (Montrose Ambassador/Filming Liaison); Abe Chung (GPD); Brittany Levine (Glendale News Press); Dale Ellwein (Standing Tall Chiropractic); Jackie Bartlow (City of Glendale); Mary O'Keefe (CV Weekly); Andrea Beatty (Village Travel); Cooper Ivans; Jessy Shelton; Ben Campos; Mike Mohill

President's Message: President wishes everyone a happy and prosperous 2013. As part of MSPA's community outreach, Tierra del Sol sent the MSPA a thank you note for its donation.

Visitor's Reports: (1) Jackie Bartlow will see if Parks and Rec. has funds in its budget for beautification in Montrose. (2) Abe Chung discussed that crime was down 11% in Montrose and will continue to have police on foot patrol. He did report that the forgery suspect has been apprehended and a court date is scheduled for next week. Officer Chung can be reached at achung@ci.glendale.ca.us or via cel phone at (818) 356-6891. (3) Mary O'Keefe and Cooper Ivans discussed the status of a skate park at the Montrose Community Park. He is working with LA county Parks and Rec. to create a skate park and requested the support of the MSPA.

New Business: (1) Election of Board Officers: The following are the new MSPA officers: Ken Grayson: President; Andrea Ordubegian: Vice-President; Corey Grijalva: Treasurer and Danny Pranata: Secretary. (2) The MSPA shall set a second monthly meeting for the 3rd Thursday of February, March and April. These additional meetings shall be at 8 am.

Committee Reports: (1) Personnel: Met with current MSPA contractors to discuss current duties and responsibilities. The committee will make recommendations regarding reallocation of duties and responsibilities. (2) Harvest Market: The market was down this past month due to weather conditions. Market shall retain the ponies and music through the winter session (3) Marketing Exploratory: This committee was formed with Andre serving as chair. He will form the committee and report its membership to the board. (5) Centennial: reported that they were seeking sponsorship for the event and a special sub-committee was tasked to seek sponsorship for the Centennial events. The MSPA passed a motion (4-2) to support the Centennial event as a Platinum Sponsor.

Executive Director Report: (1) MSPA's non-profit status is expected to be complete before the end of the month. (2) MSPA's final fiscal report indicates that its budget is on target to projected. A year-end treasurer's report is attached to these minutes for the membership (3) with regard to CPA oversight, Dale reported his conversation with CPA and City Councilman Rafi Manoukian. It was recommended that the MSPA perform a compilation review on a monthly or quarterly basis to review and account for the MSPA's financial activities. The board has requested that Dale follow up and seek bids for these services.

Montrose Ambassador/Filming Liaison Report: (1) Filming of a reality show shall commence on Wednesday January 9th from 8 am to 11 pm. The interior locations of Paradise Tan, Pedal Spin and Kung Fu & Tai Chi shall be affected and two rows of parking in the #7 lot. (2) Trash in Lot #3 and Lot #7 was discussed. The service providers for those bins shall install larger bins. (3) The Ambassador invites the community to join him for trash pickup on Friday mornings at 6:30 am and on the new day of Saturday mornings. (4) The issue of moving the Harvest Market to other blocks was discussed. (5) the MSPA received a commendation of recognition for its 3rd Annual Montrose Film Festival from the state legislature.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 am.

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