

Green Valley Ranch Citizens Advisory Board Minutes
June 17, 2008

Executive Committee Present: John Brown, Jerry Jacobs, Tim Sheahan, Elaine Smith

Other Members Present: Anthony Noble, Michael Hancock, Jeff Jacobson, Linda Bierman,
Thad Jacobs, Jeff Hollman, JoAnne Hollman, Jody Hill, Chris Hill, Earleen Brown, Marlene Martin, T.J. Stone, Officer P. Chanthavong, Ron Mitchell

The meeting was called to order by President Tim Sheahan at 6 P.M. Introductions of those present followed. Elaine Smith moved to approve the minutes from May 13, 2008; John Brown seconded the motion and there was unanimous approval.

Mr. Sheahan stated that it was time to "kick into high gear" with the committees. Each committee chairperson reported a vision for his/her committee. Thad Jacobs, Chair of the EDUCATION committee reported first stating that he hoped the committee could work with PTA's and Administrators at area schools and offer community help. Also he noted that Qwest will give back 1% of a person's bill if that person signs up for automatic payment and e-mail billings. Michael Hancock said now is the time for the community to overwhelm the Board and Superintendent regarding our desire for a new high school as there are competing interests for funds.

Jeff Jacobson, Chair of the PUBLIC SAFETY committee stated that his main goal is to promote Neighborhood Watch. He plans to put information in the local media such as Voice and GFNER, at concerts, schools, etc.

Tony Noble, Chair of the NEIGHBORHOOD ECONOMICS committee said he hopes to do something with the foreclosures in GVR, north and south GVR, and deal with the viability of businesses in the area, find out what their issues are. Also, he wants to know RTD's plans for Park and Ride, light rail shuttle service. Tim Sheahan reminded us that we need to send a letter to Realtors to tell them all the great things about living in GVR.

Ron Mitchell, Chair of the ZONING and INFRASTRUCTURE committee discussed roads, bridges, etc. Michael Hancock noted that the bridge near 56th Ave. is in process of completion and that Tower south of 45th would soon be widened.

The COMMUNITY EVENTS committee still needs a chairperson. Jerry Jacobs reported on upcoming events: concerts on Wednesday nights, the July 4th event where our CAB group will be announced and Movies in the Park to begin this month.

Michael Hancock, City Council, reported that they are negotiating now to purchase land in the Town Center for a library in GVR for which construction should start early 2009. There will be the annual council district wide barbecue on July 19th from 4 to 8 P.M. in Stapleton where there will be free food and live entertainment. Mr. Hancock would like for CAB to co-sponsor with him the Fall town hall meeting. And, he informed us that there is a plan called Montbello 20/20 which is a three to six month plan to revitalize Montbello. While crime in Montbello has been declining, the community has been economically devastated.

Mr. Sheahan said he has been putting articles about CAB in local news media. The graffiti hotline has opened to both north and south GVR. We've received \$1000. from the GVR Foundation and will open an account at TCF Bank in GVR. Anthony Noble moved to open the account at TCF Bank, Thad Jacobs seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. John Brown reported that CAB is now incorporated with a tax ID number and we have a post office box. Michael Hancock suggested that we become registered as Registered Neighborhood Organization in order to receive city and zoning information relevant to our area. Jerry Jacobs said Oakwood was working on getting sprinkler systems fixed, weeds cut, etc. as they had received many calls about this.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Smith, secretary