

**RIVER ROAD NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**  
**Annual Membership Meeting**  
**March 28, 2010**  
**Minutes**

The Annual Membership Meeting of the River Road Neighborhood Association was held on Sunday, March 28, 2010. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 PM. See Exhibit A for board members present (Richard Reed, Larry Clark, Anne Larme, Sally Boothe-Meredith, Diane Briseno, Tammy Griswold, Bill Sibley, Michael Sullivan), and Exhibit B for RRNA members and guests present (39 signatures). Hector Gonzales served as Parliamentarian. See Exhibit C for meeting agenda.

The minutes of the 2009 Annual Membership Meeting, handed out at the door, were approved.

**Treasurer's Report** (Ed Piner, Exhibit D) -- \$2420.87 (plus \$465 in donations for MOU with SARA)

**Introduction of Guests** – The chair introduced guests Roberto Rodriguez (SARA/San Antonio River Authority District 2), Art Villarreal (Chief Bexar County Stormwater Engineer), Hugh S. Guillen (CoSA/City of San Antonio Capitol Projects Officer), Adam Greenup (City Council District One Office), and Nico LaHood (Bexar County District Attorney candidate). Mr. LaHood gave a short statement.

**State of the Neighborhood Report** – The Chair provided a short overview of neighborhood issues over the past year. These included: approval of the River Road Historic District, planning of the Avenue A nature area, SAWS sewer repair on Lindell, Community Garden update, and new FEMA maps.

### **Reports**

Mulberry Sidewalk (Adam Greenup) – Mr. Greenup described the design and funding sources for a sidewalk along the south side of Mulberry. Funding sources are SARA and the CoSA bond issue. The Allison Park portion will be completed by September 2010. Greenup wants to make sure SARA's and the Parks and Recreation portion will match, and also requested RRNA's input. A question and answer session followed.

Flooding (Art Villarreal) – A regional focus is being taken in flood control planning, including Bexar County, SARA, and the City of San Antonio. Three detention facilities have been recommended, pending meetings with stakeholders. The Catalpa-Pershing ditch will be an important component, and flood control and aesthetic aspects are being planned in coordination with the Hike and Bike Trail.

Mulberry Bridge (Hugh Guillen) – Mr. Guillen described the bridge design, which will include both a sidewalk and bike trail. The Mulberry and Millrace bridges will be redone between February 2011 and March 2012. Mulberry will be closed an estimated four months, during which time traffic will be rerouted. Neighbors brought up concerns and suggestions about how to retain access to and from the neighborhood during the Mulberry closure.

### **Board Elections**

Four, three-year board positions were up for election, including business representative. Nominees were: Christiane Esteinou, Marcine Mushock, and Mimi Quintanilla, with Paul Farrell for business representative. There were no nominations from the floor. The candidates introduced themselves. Reed explained the election process and appointed a teller committee. Members completed their ballots, which were collected for tabulation.

### **New Business**

Bylaws Revisions – The Bylaws Committee, chaired by Nell Grover, gave each attendee a copy of proposed bylaws changes. Reed facilitated a discussion of proposed changes article by article. Each proposed change was approved, modified or rejected via motions and votes (see Exhibit E for proposed changes and motion results). **A motion was made to revise the bylaws according to the decisions voted on during the discussion. Motion carried.**

Memorandum of Understanding between the San Antonio River Authority and RRNA – The Chair presented a draft of the MOU for review (Exhibit F). Lawyer fees will be paid with \$200 from the RRNA treasury and the rest by donation. **Motion (David Brogan) – To proceed with the MOU. Motion carried.** The membership will be notified of the final wording of the MOU.

Historic District Signage – It is customary to post special signage designating Historic District status. The official brown street signs would cost approximately \$2600. Various alternatives to this were discussed. Reed will appoint a subcommittee to explore further and present recommendations.

### **Announcements**

Board Election Results – The Teller Committee reported that all four nominees were elected to the RRNA board.

Easter Egg Hunt – The annual RRNA Easter Egg Hunt will take place Saturday, April 3.

2010 Census – Neighbors were urged to return 2010 Census forms.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 PM.

Anne C. Larme  
Secretary