

Meeting Notes

Annual Meeting

Thursday, October 16, 2003 at Civano Community School

Attendance: 55

Spokesperson Simmons Buntin called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Members of the Leadership Team (elected members and Working Group chairs) introduced themselves.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Community Garden Party, Saturday, Oct. 25, 2003, 4:30-8:30 p.m.
- Solar Home Tour, Saturday, Oct. 24, 2003 at Civano, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (Lynne Gillette).
- Holiday Craft Fair, Sunday, Oct. 26, 2003 (Pat Canady).
- Halloween Spooktacular, Friday, Oct. 31, 2003 at Buntin Home (Simmons Buntin), 4:30 p.m., followed by trick-or-treating. More info at www.civaneighbors.com/halloween.
- New caps on sale (\$15); shirts on sale (kids, \$6; adults \$12-15). Order online or from member of Leadership Team.
- *The Town Crier* is looking for news of new family addition (kids or pets). E-mail to Craig Altschul (craig@mountainnews.com). Next issue prints Nov. 1.

CIVANO NORTH RIDGE

Tony Post, chair of the Civano North Ridge Working Group, reported that the City of Tucson "plans to take a regulatory point of view" toward the T.J. Bednar development proposal. He said "there is not much to do at this point. It is disappointing." Buntin said there has been no response to the neighborhood association letter of concern.

LEADERSHIP TEAM ELECTIONS

Rick Hanson led the process to elect three At-Large Members of the Leadership Team. There are five candidates: Jack Kelly, Tony Post, Jim Kelly, Brian Zacher, and Ann Edwards. Hansen explained the "ranked order" process. Elected were Jack Kelly, Jim Kelly, and Brian Zacher. Congratulations, and welcome! Outgoing members are Alan Boertjens and Tahnee Robertson—thanks for the good work you did!

YEAR IN REVIEW

Buntin went over the year in review, a chronological "history" of the first year of the

neighborhood association. The printed document is on the CivanoNeighbors.com Web site and will appear in the November issue of *The Town Crier*.

TRANSPORTATION

Bob Cook of the Citizens for a Sensible Transportation Solution spoke about multimodal transportation serving Civano, including Proposals 200/201 on the November ballot, specifically answering neighbors' questions, as follows:

- Re: potential federal money: "They are waiting for Tucson to apply. Many cities are applying for matching funds, and competition is out there. If we do not have dedicated funding sources such as this initiative provides, we cannot be approved for federal funds."
- Re: Southern Arizona Homebuilders Association (SAHBA), Board of Realtors opposition: "The cost per household on an average Tucson home is \$28 per year. Tucson has a mosaic of underfunded projects. This will only amount to \$7 on a 30-year mortgage payment. The working class is hurt far more when the transportation system is underfunded. Affordable housing and transportation need to be linked together. SAHBA did not oppose the Marana plan, upon which ours is based."
- Business disruption: "Small sections, several blocks, will be developed along Broadway at a time, minimizing disruption. This has worked well in other cities. We have learned from other cities' experiences."
- Multimodal: "There is no one answer to Tucson's transportation issues. There is no single mode. These propositions address a variety of solutions." Suggested neighbors read the voters packet and comments by knowledgeable supporters of the plan.
- Rick Hanson said neighbors should look closely at the proposed transit map and note the rapid transit bus line/stop very close to Civano.

POSITION STATEMENT REGARDING PROPOSED CHANGES TO CIVANO GUIDING DOCUMENTS

Neighbors approved a document via consensus presented by the Leadership Team, asking the Mayor and Council to postpone acting on proposed revisions of key Civano documents (Development Agreement, Memorandum of Understanding, and Civano IMPACT Statement) until several key issues are resolved.

The full approved document is available on CivanoNeighbors.com. The only change requested by the neighbors from the Leadership Team proposed language is in the section on the 10 percent non-profit requirement. Neighbors felt funds should go to a "Civano community supported, non-profit institute," rather than any specifically-named institute.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Craig Altschul