

FINAL DRAFT

Minutes of the March 2024 Board Meeting

Upper Las Colonias Neighborhood Association

March 5, 2024, 4:06 PM

Quail Ridge Tennis Facility and Zoom at Residences

Board Attendance - Present - Kurt Edelbrock, Eugenia Hauber, Jeff Tetenbaum, Mike Tarleton, John Halley, Kent Kobakoff, David Nielson and Cardinal Rieger

On ZOOM – John Red Horse, Phil Caston, and Jonathan Stuart. Absent – Steve Turner

Members Present – Sue Huddy, Gene Imbro, Honore Maloney, Jack Jacobs, Robert Zani, MaryAnn Morrissey, Linda Fair, Eleanor Walther, Martha Grossman, Roger Parrish, Kay McNair, Cobey Senescu, Charley Schmidt, Charlotte Wylie, Benjamin Lanin, and Steve Weiner.

Members On Zoom – Dianne McKenzie Host and George Schaub, Ken Littlejohn, Mariah Green, June Ramos, 6363462200, Betsy Wessler, Bill DeBoer, George Bostian, Jim Asperger, Mark Deaton, and Henry Hornberger.

1. Treasurer's Report: David Nielson indicated that the current balance increased to \$1,653.58 with the addition of a \$100 donation.
2. Minutes from the February 6th, 2024 meeting were approved.
3. TREV – Hearing – John briefly referenced the hearing on February 15th before the Planning Commission. A follow-up hearing is scheduled for two days from today and is intended for the Commissioners to ask questions of the developers. There is a question of whether public comments will be permitted. They were. It was mentioned that the hearing on the 7th might be the last one. Jeff had prepared a summary of the hearing on the 15th and had sent it to all board members. It was decided to forward that summary to all of our members, and it was.

4. Gavilan Road – John continues to meet with members regarding various options for ingress and egress. In addition, discussions of the Palomas Parkway (a walking trail, no cars) have taken place with members in the area. In response to an inquiry about the traffic study, John noted the study is from June 2023 and that the traffic count was taken during ski season. Also noted was the gated emergency access from Gavilan and that there will be three entrances to TREV from 150 (Cielo, Tarleton Ranch Road, and Cherry Street)

5. Cannabis – We’ve not heard anything since our last meeting from Taos Mountain Grown or HDG Properties (Hector Gonzales). Neither has presented a complete application to the PD. The county did provide a letter to TMG listing the issues that were deemed complete and those that remain to be completed for the SUP. Although covering over fencing is required to hide the growing plants, Kurt suggested a latilla fence might be an appropriate addition. Steve Weiner indicated fencing is required for growing, manufacturing, and storage of cannabis but is not required for retail operations.

6. ALLSUPS – At our last meeting, we decided to try to get out in front of this. We collected 17 letters; some were sent to the county and ULCNA, and others to us. After a brief discussion of what is intended to be put on George Bostian’s property, Jeff read a letter sent to one of the members from Andy Jones. It indicated the Planning Department’s role in determining whether a proposal is presented to the Planning Commission. After further discussion, he read a draft of the letter intended to be sent to the Planning Department from ULCNA. The Board took a roll call vote and agreed to send the letter on Monday the 11th – a delay in order to receive any additional letters from the membership.

7. ByLaws - A committee had been formed to amend our by-laws five years ago. Our attorney advised that it is a challenging process, and the decision to proceed was tabled. Since it has been some time, we would like to know if a new effort should be undertaken. It was offered that by the time the process was completed, it would cost possibly as much as \$10,000. After hearing that, we decided to send all board members copies of the attempted revision from five years ago. After review and discussion, we could determine whether to go forward or continue to use our current version.

8. The next meeting is scheduled for April 9th. We were adjourned at 5:37