

**CALIFORNIA GARDENS
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Thursday, August 20, 2009
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

President, Alison Smith, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, at 1800 Cole Ave #4A, Walnut Creek, CA

Board of Directors Present:

Alison Smith	President
Linda Rossman	Treasurer
Ramona Ruiz	Secretary
Kevin Bernie	Director
Laura Loeb	Vice President

Also present was Trevor Milledge, CCAM from Association Communications, Inc. CMF, Homeowner Association Management

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to approve the July 2009 Minutes, as amended.

TREASURER REPORTS

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to accept the June 2009 financials, as amended. July financials were tabled pending clarifications. A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to send 1804-3 to collections for both regular and reconstruction accounts.

HOMEOWNER CONCERNS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Fences

The Board directed management to counter propose that the HOA will pay only \$1000 toward installation of battens over existing gaps in the new fence and that Silicon Valley Builders should be responsible for any additional cost due to the poor quality of workmanship and materials on the perimeter fence project.

Drainage

Drainage work is complete and has been water tested per the most recent project update from CL Sigler and Assoc.

Gutters

The proposal from OCR is pending completion.

Laundry agreement

Directors Ruiz and Rossman to look into purchasing laundry equipment and make recommendation to the Board at the next meeting.

Maintenance

Management was directed to follow up with West Callaway about insurance proposal for Chan.

Fidelity Bond

Management will look into increasing the fidelity bond at renewal in December.

Annual Audit

Tabled

Reserve Study

Tabled

Bank Loan Prepayment Options

Tabled

Collection Action

Management was directed to request counsel propose a settlement agreement.

NEW BUSINESS

Bike Room

Directors Rossman will be looking into solutions with a new vendor.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, resolved to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ramona Ruiz, Secretary for
California Gardens Homeowners Association
Board of Directors

2009 Resolutions

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to ratify the Board's decision to approve \$7,530 for the purchase of new light fixtures and to increase the project limit to \$11,000.

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to approve the Black Diamond proposal in the amount of \$80,487 for replacement of the asphalt and repaving. Management was directed to

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to approve the Silicon Valley Builders proposal in the amount of \$15,020 for replacement of the patio fences.

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to approve extending the patio fences for safety based on the advice of the project manager.

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to approve a construction committee that will have authority to approve change orders not to exceed \$5,500. The committee will consist of Laura Loeb, Linda Rossman and Alison Smith. No action can be taken by the Committee or the Board without unanimous written consent or by vote at a meeting.

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to approve the Sykes proposal in the amount of \$4,084 for replacement of the wrought iron railing.

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to ratify the approval of the proposal and change order from Simonsen Air not to exceed \$3500.

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to approve the renewal with Travelers, annual premium to be \$14,389. Management will obtain costs for smoke detectors and solicit a bid for shortfall. A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to approve management to reduce garbage expense and research other conservation opportunities.

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to approve the Petersen Dean proposal for installation of gutter guards throughout the roofing system in specified locations.

A motion is made, duly seconded, and unanimously carried, and it is, therefore, unanimously resolved to approve the Cintas fire protection proposal. If management can find less expensive extinguishers the Board authorizes purchase of 8 5lb models. Linda will follow up with Ron @ J&J electric about a start date for the lights. A motion was made, duly seconded and it is therefore unanimously resolved to approve an increase in the lighting budget to \$13,000.00.

A motion is made, duly seconded and unanimously carried and it is therefore resolved to approve the revised study draft as amended. A copy is to be mailed along with the

financial review and current newsletter to save on mailing expenses.

A motion is made, duly seconded and unanimously carried and it is therefore resolved to approve the proposal from Tree Care of CA for the removal of four trees and grinding of two additional stumps.

A motion is made, seconded, carried and it is therefore unanimously resolved to approve the NZ development proposal for ground drainage in the amount of \$10,480

The Board reviewed the proposals. **A motion is made, seconded, carried and it is therefore unanimously resolved to approve Silicon Valley Builder proposal for replacement only the “east perimeter” fences, those in the worst condition and those between the patios, exact cost TBD prior to work starting.**

A motion is made, seconded, carried and it is therefore unanimously resolved to approve Brooker to return to stain the new fencing at a cost of \$400 as well as to obtain costs for staining both sides not just one as allowed in the current contract.

A motion is made, duly seconded and carried and it is therefore unanimously resolved to approve the following members to the committee: Alison Smith, Linda Rossman and Ramona Ruiz. The Committee will confirm if another owner, Diane, will participate.

A motion is made, duly seconded and unanimously carried and it is therefore resolved to approve sending a 30 day cancellation notice to Coin mach.

A motion is made, seconded, carried and it is therefore unanimously resolved to approve Brooker to return to stain the new fencing at a cost of not to exceed \$4400, mike to negotiate pricing further before contract is signed.

A motion is made, duly seconded and carried and it is therefore resolved to approve a not to exceed of \$250 for address plate install.

A motion is made, duly seconded, carried and it is unanimously resolved to approve the Silicon Valley Builders proposal for options A, B and C in the amount of \$31,524.00