

**Bay Village Homeowners Association  
 Annual Board Meeting held at  
 MacQuiddy Elementary School Cafeteria  
 330 Martinelli Street  
 Watsonville, CA 95076  
 November 14, 2009, 1:00 p.m.**

**Call to Order:** President Bob Fiorilla called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm, and extended a welcome to all. He thanked Rudy Cruz for being such an excellent “Greeter.”

Bob generously introduced the other current Board of Directors, being, Rudy Cruz, Betty Fiorilla, Sandra Knox, Gail Olson, Myrna Sherman, and Hank Wheeler, giving a brief explanation of each board members responsibilities.

President Fiorilla then welcomed and introduced the twenty past Board Members present, including those who were, regrestfully, unable to attend.

**New Business:**

Betty Fiorilla, Treasurer, gave a report on the budget and assessments. Financial Statements were distributed to those in attendance at the meeting.

	Bank Balance as of 08/31/09	\$44,975.05
Deposits:	Assessments	923.40
	Transfer	<u>40.00</u>
		<u>963.40</u>
		\$45,938.45
Expenditures:		
		<u>\$ 820.05</u>
		\$45,118.40
Bank Balance as of 09/30/09		
	General Fund	\$44,726.50
	Grant Fund	<u>391.90 (Levee)</u>
		\$45,118.40

Betty reported that the personal touch of a visit or a telephone call regarding past due assessments has proven to be highly successful. Currently, out of 600 houses, only 6 residents have yet to pay their assessments. To this end, Lien notices were sent out on October 22, 2009, which gives the Owner 30 days to pay. The major expenses paid out of our yearly assessments are legal fees, postage, and printing.

### Police Coverage:

President Bob Fiorilla gave a report on the Police Officer's Meeting held the last Wednesday of each month. The figures represent the overall senior housing area. There were a total of 845 calls showing amazingly good police coverage. The variety of calls ranged from 410 medical calls all the way to 43 strange persons in cars.

### Web Master:

While handing out the new [www.Bayvillagewatsonville.com](http://www.Bayvillagewatsonville.com) website business cards, our Web Master, Myrna Sherman, explained that this site, originally initiated by Gail Olson, has recently gone through some tremendous and exciting changes. It is now user friendly and there are three ways to contact us. This is proving helpful, not only to our residents, but also to Realtors who want to know fees, etc... The user can now access the quarterly newsletter, monthly minutes, financial information, property information, known violations, and print out various forms.

### Neighborhood Watch Program : "BE AWARE"

Rudy Cruz reported on the Plan of Action to protect ourselves by creating a Neighborhood Watch per block. He emphasized our becoming, "aware," of our surroundings when out walking, i.e., lighting and shrub or telling a neighbor if you are going to be out of town to name a few. We do have police on special scooters in our area, but they can only patrol at certain intervals. This includes the two local parks. Rudy asked that if you see something to report it. There is also a new, "Gang Task Force." If you are interested, Rudy has the contact numbers.

### Violations:

Gail Olson reported that the Violations Committee dealt with 35 complaints this year. She informed us that the three board members on this committee, being Hank Wheeler, Myrna Sherman, and Gail, with Bob Fiorilla as *ex officio*, meet one time a month to review current and new violations. All complaints start with a *complaint form* from a resident. Gail emphasized that they were very proud of the fact that all complaints filed remained anonymous. Gail said she makes a point of giving follow-up progress reports. These violations prove to be a lengthy process. Most complaints regard underage people. Half of the underage complaints filed and investigated are not founded. A lot are visiting or are lengthy visitors (allowed 60 days). Although it is not pleasant spying, we encourage reporting these suspected violations as that is how we keep our legal senior standing.

## Levee:

Gail Olson gave a report on the levy. All the gallon-sized plants have done so well. In fact, so well that they need pruning. She was able to find someone to do yearly pruning at a reasonable fee. All plants are drought tolerant and were not given a drop of water after the initial planting, which certainly proves it. We did have high hopes for buying benches, signs, etc., but not enough money; however, she will look into the possibility of filing a Grant. Gail said that they always need gardening volunteers the last Saturday of each month. Just bring a pair of gloves. Gail added that none of the assessment fees are used for the levy.

## Questions and Comments from Homeowners were:

Bob stated that at the last annual meeting there were speakers. But that this time he felt it was important to devote more time to fielding questions from the floor. He also explained that there would be no elections held. Instead, Rudy Cruz will be re-elected at the next monthly meeting. There still remains another opening for a Board Member. If interested, there are Bay Village Board Member Candidate Forms to download on the website.

The main items discussed were suspected underage residents, questionable, "caregivers," speeding on Bridge Street, who needs to have flood insurance and how to keep the cost down, and, finally, dog walkers not cleaning up after their pets.

The *caregiver* State Laws were explained at length by Gail as well as Bob Fiorilla. The bottom line is, the State Laws are rather vague. Doctors are fixed with the juxtaposition of wanting their patient to retain some independence by having a caregiver in their home while being on a limited income.

Speeding on Bridge Street is an ongoing problem and not easily solved. One resident was very concerned that we could not get the newer speed controlling devices that were placed by the schools. Bob suggested they call him and he will contact the individuals that might be able to do something in this area. It is all about following procedures and the chain of command.

Inquiries were made on when the next meeting will be held addressing the problem of flooding. Bob said he would be asking Supervisor Tony Campos about a future meeting.

Determining if your home is in the flood plain or how and if you need flood insurance, can be established by calling the mortgage company and/or your insurance agent. The cost can possibly be minimized by increasing your deductible.

**With the upcoming Age Survey for 2010 coming up, someone expressed identity theft concern over providing the Board with a copy of their Driver's License to prove age. The resident was assured that all information was securely housed and protected. That it is possible to swear under perjury as to their stated age if they simply did not want to provide a copy of their driver's license.**

**A resident asked that the, "poop scoop," issue and appeal be discussed in the next quarterly newsletter with the laws and penalties involved.**

**Bob expressed a heartfelt thanks to all and adjourned the meeting at 2:15 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Sandra Knox, Secretary**