



**OPEN MEETING**

**REPORT OF SPECIAL OPEN WORKSHOP OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THIRD LAGUNA HILLS MUTUAL**

**Monday, April 8, 2019 – 2:00 PM**

**Laguna Woods Village Community Center Board Room  
24351 El Toro Road**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rosemarie diLorenzo – President, Steve Parsons, Bunny Carpenter, Roy Bruninghaus, Cush Bhada, John Frankel, Lynn Jarrett, and Annie McCary

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jon Pearlstone, Reza Karimi, Jack Connelly

**STAFF PRESENT:** Guy West – Staff Officer, Laurie Chavarria, Siobhan Foster, Eileen Paulin

**1. Call to Order/Establish a Quorum**

President diLorenzo called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM and stated that the meeting is being held pursuant to notice duly given and established that a quorum of the Board was present.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was approved as written.

**3. Member Comments (Items Not on the Agenda)**

- Dick Palmer (3031-O) commented on the copper pipe epoxy lining criteria and that Building 3032 may qualify based on a recent leak that occurred.
- Bill Walsh (3162-C) commented on the water heater replacement he requested as a chargeable service and the extra components that are needed per code. Many residents may not be aware of the code requirements or the cost for water heater replacement. He suggested that an article be written to inform the community on what outside contractors are required to do.

President diLorenzo and Director Bhada replied to all member comments.

Staff will look into the recent leak at Building 3032 to see if the building qualifies for the Copper Pipe Epoxy Lining Program.

#### **4. Street Light LED Pilot Presentation and Discussion – Siemens Industry**

Staff Officer Guy West provided a brief history on the street light acquisition project. He then introduced Siemens Industry representative, Alex Valenti.

Mr. Valenti gave a PowerPoint presentation and discussed lighting design principals, the scope of work they used to perform the LED conversion pilot project, GIS field audits for asset verification, and the completed photometric analysis of each proposed light fixture.

Each proposed fixture (Options A, B & C) was reviewed and compared for unit cost, energy savings, warranty, photometric performance and light dispersion. Siemens recommended Option B, the New Mushroom Top King K427, as this fixture offered four types of light dispersion selections that could fit the variety of needs for the Mutual. Included in the standard design price is, engineering analysis that will be performed based on pole height and location.

After the presentation, discussion ensued regarding the challenge of installing cobra head mast arms, light dispersion that could reach across both lanes and the adjacent sidewalk, the need for additional lighting infrastructure, criteria the consultant used to perform the pilot, GIS audit map with light locations, the need for tree trimming, lighting for intersections, locations for additional pilots, the variety of pole heights, width of roadways, the Siemens contract, and a single point of contact to represent the Mutual's needs to the consultant.

Member Comments were as follows:

Bill Walsh (3162-C) commented on his expectations for the pilot. He would like to see additional pilots on another street, at an intersection and in a cul-de-sac, with light fixtures that offered more directional light dispersion, reduced the glare, and addressed the different pole heights. He suggested that a color coded map be produced to show the location of lights on streets, cul-de-sacs and intersections so the Board can see where there are lights and where there is no lighting.

Steve Leonard (696-D) commented on the cost between options B & C. He suggested that the Board review the criteria to be used for light selection. He indicated that many pilots may be needed to address the variety of streets and cul-de-sacs in the Mutual. He also suggested that the Mutual take its time and not rush to complete the conversion.

Carl Randazzo (831-A) suggested that a collaborative effort between the Third Board and the Village Energy Task Force (VETF) should be considered since there are several VETF members with electrical and lighting expertise.

Martin Rhodes (5369-2A) commented that he has heard complaints about Village lighting for the last 21 years. He suggested that intersection lighting be addressed for safety reasons.

Bert Moldow (3503-A) commented on his long-time involvement with lighting improvements in the community and discussed how the street light pole purchase from SCE came about. He stated that he was impressed by Siemens' proposal for this project because he anticipated that meetings would include resident participation. He suggested that the Board be more involved with the decision making for this LED conversion. He discussed the different pole heights and the variety of light wattages currently in the Mutual. He also suggested that the average age of residents in the community be taken into consideration when specifying a lighting kelvin/color. Mr. Moldow then presented a light fixture from another vendor and asked Siemens for their opinion. He recommended that the Board go out to bid in order to perform more lighting pilots and receive additional fixture options.

Dick Palmer (3031-O) commented that the Board should request more feedback from residents more during this project and mentioned that there seems to be confusion on who is doing what for the LED lighting conversion.

Merle Entner (3072-A) brought out photographs he took at night of the three options in the LED lighting pilot and displayed them for the Board. He commented on lighting kelvins and the Option A mast arm. He mentioned other modern fixtures that are available instead of the standard cobra head. He also spoke about lowering the brightness of LED lighting and using shields for this purpose.

Various Board members, Staff Officer Guy West and Mr. Valenti responded to the member comments.

By consensus, staff was directed to provide Siemens with a updated criteria and scope of work so that they can come back with a recommendation regarding additional pilot projects using proposed fixtures for streets, intersections and cul-de-sacs, where pole heights differ and lighting needs vary. Staff will present this information to the Board based on the schedule of when the recommendations will be available and will call a special meeting if necessary.

**Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 PM.

  
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Rosemarie diLorenzo, President