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HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

P. O. Box 208
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**Marinita HOA Meeting
February 23, 2015**

Attendees: Tom Smith, Mary Murray, Jill Buckley, Shawn Patrick, Mary Lu Howell
Homeowner Teresa Betts, 33626 Via Martos

Call to order: 6:38 p.m. Shawn called meeting to order

Minutes Approval: Tom motioned to approve January minutes, and Jill seconded.

Financial Report: Tom motioned to approve financial report, and Shawn seconded.

Old Business:

Front Entrance Enhancement Update: All agreed the new entrance construction project was a success and looks great. Jill reported there was some electrical damage done during the stump grinding and removal. She is waiting on a bill from electrician. Vermeulens will be submitting a bid to modernize sprinklers. Board is investigating the water source for the entrance plantings and whether or not it can be connected to the parkway. Additionally, Jill is investigating landscape design and plantings for the new entrance. Marinita letters will be repainted and installed.

Replanting update on slope behind Via Lagos: Currently the Board is working with Vermeulens and plans to install 20 plumbagos. Jill stated all future plantings will be California friendly.

Tree trimming: Homeowner Teresa Betts addressed the decision the Board made to remove trees on the Selva slope and the negative effect she felt it had on her property. She stated these mature trees had supported wildlife and provided a buffer from local Selva traffic. She asked that Board members come to her home and to see first hand her concerns. Additionally, Teresa questioned why the Board did not speak to those homeowners impacted by the decision to remove the trees. Mary stated she had spoken to those homeowners whose property the trees were on, and they had no objections to the removal. Jill added that trees have been taken down in the past based on maintenance issues. Mary Lu pointed out potential damage due to limb weight and breakage problems. Teresa asked Board to plant new trees. The Board agreed tree planting will be added to the April Agenda. The Board then discussed plans to return all slopes to homeowners based upon the fact that in 5 years the Marinita HOA will dissolve unless 2/3 of the homeowners vote to keep the HOA.

2015 BOD Election Update: Ballots were sent out February 18 and will be counted at the March meeting which will be held March 23rd. Mary will verify that Joyce will host the meeting to count ballots on March 23 at 6:30.

New Business: None presented

Open Discussion:

Homeowner Teresa Betts addressed the gopher problem on the slope behind her home stating the infestation undermines the hill and impacts fence stability. Mary has been working with Vermeulens and stated traps are actively in place, and gophers are being removed. She also reported the fence issue is not gopher related. The Board will continue to try and control pest problems and will contact the County about possible help from Vector.

Meeting adjourned: Shawn adjourned the meeting at 7:21