



**Dana Estates Neighborhood Alliance
Minutes of General Meeting
March 28, 2007
Concord Permit Center Conference Room**



The meeting, held in the Concord Permit Center Conference Room, was called to order by Chair Phil Schafer at 6:30 p.m. Copies of the agenda were distributed.

1. **Introductions** – Phil summarized comments received by mail from residents who'd sent in voluntary donations totaling \$140.00 prior to announcing guests and DENA Board members. Scheduled guests included Carla Lobato, Dana Plaza Property Manager (unable to attend); Andrew Pierce of the Contra Costa Mosquito and Vector Control District; and Michael Wright, Concord Naval Weapons Station Reuse Plan Project Director. Board members present included Holly Belknap, Vice Chair/Editor; Doreen Schwynoch, secretary; and Area Representatives Bob Barnes, Jerry Curtis, and Kaffy Cecil. Ken Weis, Teri Lusk, Francie Price, and Suzi Peek were absent. Approximately 20 people attended.
2. **Agenda Review** – Phil Schafer requested additional agenda items from those present, and two residents of Juniper Drive voiced concerns about vehicles speeding on their street between Lynwood and Landana Drives. This matter is to be discussed later in this meeting.
3. **Minutes of December 13, 2006, General Meeting – Doreen Schwynoch, Secretary**, gave a brief summary and complete copies of the minutes were provided.
4. **Web Page** – No update available from Suzi Peek.
5. **Treasurer's Report** – Phil Schafer summarized 2006 financial data (\$1,200 budgeted, \$1,100 spent) and announced the resignation of Treasurer Ken Weis due to his personal business activity.
6. **Dana Plaza Update** – Phil Schafer reviewed the updates provided by Carla Lobato, Dana Plaza Property Manager. Several new businesses are open; one vacancy remains; Plaza owners look forward to participating in the Neighborhood Night Out, scheduled for Wednesday, June 20, 2007.
7. **Speaker** – Andrew Pierce of the Contra Costa Mosquito and Vector Control District was the main speaker. His presentation highlighted the prevention and control of mice and rats, with literature available concerning these and other pests such as yellow jackets, mosquitoes, skunks, ticks, and Africanized honey bees. Additional literature included facts about hantaviruses, Lyme disease, and West Nile virus. The Contra Costa Mosquito and Vector Control District is holding an Open House to celebrate its 80th anniversary and provide a "behind-the-scenes-tour" of their facility at 155 Mason Circle, Concord, on Sunday, April 22, from noon to 4:00 p.m.
8. **Dana Estates Night Out** – Phil Schafer announced the event is scheduled for Wednesday, June 20, 2007, at Dana Plaza.
9. **Concord Naval Weapons Station Update – Michael Wright, CNWS Reuse Plan Project Director** (with Ric Notini also attending). Official notice of surplus of the 5,028 acres of the inland portion of the base occurred on March 6, 2007. The City of Concord must develop its EIR in accordance with California law prior to providing its Reuse Plan to HUD 480 days after this official notice. While HUD reviews the plan, the Navy prepares an EIR (estimated time: one year). Next step will be for the Navy to decide how to dispose of the property; therefore, a mid-2009 time frame is estimated for property to transfer.

On Friday, March 30, a notice will appear in newspapers requesting interest of groups who wish for a "*Public Benefit Conveyance*" of property, with 180 days for responses to be received. This involves a very structured process. The newspaper notice will provide information regarding whom to contact for details. Such a conveyance is only one of nine or ten possible scenarios.

Other activities include the Navy's providing a *Restoration Advisory Board*.

10. **Question/Answers** – Information from a Saturday workshop held two weeks ago should be available on the City's website on Monday, April 2. The first of three additional workshops is scheduled for Saturday, April 21; the other two will be in June and August.

The *Community Advisory Committee* meets the third Tuesday of each month at the Concord Senior Center. These meetings are open to the public.

There followed some discussion of concerns regarding petroleum pipelines owned by Shell and Kinder-Morgan on base property. It was acknowledged that no structures can be built on top of these pipelines.

11. **Additional Topic** – Residents voiced their concerns over speeding vehicles on Juniper Drive, between Landana and Lynwood Drives, especially when youngsters will be walking in the area closest to the Gehringer Pool. There appears to be very little police presence there. Suggestion was that they take up the subject of traffic calming with the head of Concord's Public Works Department.
12. **Adjournment** – Meeting was adjourned prior to 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Doreen Schwynoch, Secretary