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**WELCOME NEW  
MEMBERS TO THE  
ORGANIZATION!**

The Laguna Greens Guardian is the official publication of Laguna Greens Neighborhood Watch, Inc. The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for **July 7th** at Jeanne Womack Park on Castlevue Drive. Guest Speaker, Steve Ly, Mayor City of Elk Grove.



## SPRING MEETING MINUTES MAY 12, 2018

After the welcome and introductions, the meeting commenced at 4:25 pm. Michael welcomed everyone. Silvia read the Minutes of January, 21 2018 meeting. Teresa read the Treasurer's report. May ending balance was \$379.52. Each report was unanimously accepted.

Michael discussed the following Safety Tips:

### Identity Theft

Identity Theft continues to be a serious crime as hackers are able to hack into banks, universities, governments, and department stores. These hackers can be domestic or foreign.

Do not give out identifying information in a situation where you can be over heard. Do not use the same password everywhere one is required

Shred all documents with personal information.

### Nextdoor.com

This is a social media tool that the Elk Grove Police Department partners with. We are Elliot Ranch = Laguna Greens. Michael is the lead and provides a brief overview. This site is growing and 119 neighbors have joined Elliot Ranch. Nextdoor.com has an app and you are encouraged to join.

### CrimeReports.com

Crime statistics can be found on the site. Enter your address and mile radius. It is a tool that provides information on kinds of crimes happening in our area.

### Volunteer in the Police Service (VIPS)

If you need to go out of town, VIPS will patrol your residence. Submit your application two days in advance of your trip. Application is available online. After you return, a report is provided on their activity. You may send in a tax deductible donation for this invaluable service.

**National Night Out:** Tuesday, August 7, 2018, 6:00 p.m. Our 23<sup>th</sup> National Night Out.

**Guest Speaker:** Laura Gill, City Manager was unable to attend. In her absence, Mayor Steve Ly was in attendance and briefly discussed the City Manager job duties and accomplishments. The City Manager Job is Chief Operating Officer. Ms. Gill oversaw Elk Grove's operations

through the recession using its reserve. In addition, the following projects took place under Ms. Gill's leadership. Aquatic center, Senior and Veterans home, Costco, the build pedestrian overpass, and strong neighborhoods.

Other issues the Mayor discussed were: the pros/cons of Council by district v. at large and Sales Tax.

Neighbor took opportunity to discuss with Mayor the issue of safety concerns related to bees/bee hive ordinance.

Requested an ordinance to govern bees/bee hives in Elk Grove, cited other cities that have these ordinances. Neighbor shared his proposal. Indicated the current ordinance has not limitations, only on how to take care of bees/bee hives. The Mayor proposed the following to neighbor and Laguna Greens Neighborhood Watch, Inc.

- i. Make a presentation to city council
- ii. City council may direct staff to study the issue.

Meeting adjourned 4:55 pm. Respectfully submitted by, Silvia Rodriguez, Secretary.



Don't forget to mark **Tuesday, August 7, 2018, 6:00pm** on your calendars. Come and meet law enforcement partners and other members of our community.

**WHAT IS NATIONAL NIGHT OUT?**

**It's America's Night Out Against Crime!**

The "35<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out" (NNO), is a unique crime/drug prevention event created and sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW), and is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 7, 2018**. NATIONAL NIGHT OUT (NNO) is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness;
- Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs;
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Along with the traditional display of outdoor lights and front porch vigils, cities, towns and neighborhoods 'celebrate' NNO with a variety of events and activities such as:

- block parties,
- cookouts,
- visits from local police and sheriff departments
- parades, exhibits,
- flashlight walks,
- contests, and
- youth programs and ice

cream socials. NNO has proven to be an effective, inexpensive and enjoyable program to promote neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships in our fight for a safer nation. National Night Out — A Great Community Event.

**IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

Emergency	911
Emergency cell phone	714-5111
24 Hour Non-Emergency	714-5115
Traffic Issues	478-8300
POP Officers	478-8110
Service Center	478-8100
Graffiti Hotline	478-8231
Parking Enforcement	478-8160

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