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**Meeting Minutes – December 14, 2010**

### **Welcome of Members and Guests**

President Larry Totzke welcomed all members and visitors. A moment of silence was observed in order for each attendee to reflect on the past year and holiday cheer.

### **Dinner**

Everyone celebrated the spirit of the holidays by enjoying the potluck. Thanks goes to Stephanie Harris for the turkey, to Mike Renner, Mike and Brittany Baron, and Christopher Vidoni for helping set-up and organize, and our biggest thank you goes to Janet Dugas and Christie Nohle for organizing the Potluck!

### **President's Comments & 'State of the Society'**

President Larry Totzke reflected upon some Italian Village Society accomplishments & qualities of 2010 and the current board (including Larry Totzke as President, Raymond Schwab as Vice President, Stephanie Harris as Treasurer, and Emily Noble as Secretary.)

Larry discussed the 'State of the Society' - featuring those things that the Society has accomplished during their term as a Board: The website overhaul, the new Block Watch complete with 'don't get towed flyers', all the wonderful events like the Movie Nights, the local artists we have supported (Via Colori, Short Stop, Italian Festival), we have a new brochure, we have partnered with other neighborhood organizations, we have dealt with important issues such as the Precinct 1 dissolution, and we have 'galvanized' the community by joining people together through many efforts. We feel that the Society is in great shape to move into the future.

Larry also mentioned some important issues that we think the Society should be working on towards the future: We should continue to partner with local organizations, foster volunteerism, continue community events and add new ones, follow through on the issues facing the Ibiza and Goody Boy projects, keep the IV Park going – and hopefully initiate Phase 2, which will include future funding, connect with new people moving into the neighborhood, and foster our connection with the City.

### **Introduction of Nominees for Board of Trustees/Board of Officers**

President Totzke presented the slate of nominees. Fact sheets for each nominee were distributed, and each nominee stood to be recognized.

### **Vote, Games, Socializing, Door Prizes**

Ballots were distributed to each Society member. The ballots were cast, collected and read by Andy Klein and Steve Hurtt. Emily Noble observed. Meanwhile, Holiday Potluck attendees socialized and played games.

### **Elections of Officers**

The members voted for the 2011 Italian Village Society Board. There were 111 ballots cast. The election results were: Stephanie Harris, Christopher Vidoni, Jared Wilson, and Michael Renner.

### **Announcements**

- Meeting Minutes, complete with hyperlinks, can be viewed online at (<http://www.italianvillage.org/MeetingInformation>).

Respectfully Submitted,

Emily Noble, Secretary