

## **Casablanca HOA Communications Meeting Minutes 8/9/2011**

The meeting was called to order by Syd Sonneborn at 10:00 AM at the pool #1 complex. Approximately 13 homeowners were in attendance.

Syd started the meeting by making an announcement of the City of Palm Desert's planned CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) training being planned for this fall. The Board has sponsored the tuition costs for the volunteers in the past.

The Owners forum followed. Most questions and discussion centered on the exterior painting/ removal of foundation plantings project currently underway. Most of the discussion and questions centered on the plant removal and what will be replaced and with what type of plants. Basically, hedge type plants growing close to the house walls are being removed. The irrigation system will be retrofitted to a drip system after the home is painted and then "desert" type plants will replace them. No planting will be replaced against patio walls. CVWD has notified us that water rates will raise in July each year for the foreseeable future. The conversion will allow the paint to hold up for a longer time also. Howard Butzer indicated that now is the appropriate time to clean things up and sort things out landscape wise along with the painting project.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted by: Syd Sonneborn, Chair, Communications Committee