



MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING February 27, 2023 – 4:00 P.M., La Jolla Riford Library | In-person

Directors Present: Patrick Ahern, Tom Brady, Alexandra Corsi, Barbara Dunbar, Bob Evans, Ken Hunrichs, Marie Hunrichs, John Leek (arrived 4:18 p.m.), Melinda Merryweather, Sally Miller, Jane Reldan, Tim Seery, and John Shannon (arrived 4:07 p.m.).

Directors Absent: Ann Parode Dynes (excused), Brenda Fake (excused), Phyllis Minick (excused), and Jon Wiggins.

Guests Present: Debbie Adams, Bart Calame, Robyn Davidoff, Parvin Ghaffari, Steven Hadley, Don Hodges, Stephanie Kelly, Ashley Mackin-Solomon, Nancy Martin, Yassi Mesbahzadeh, and Bill Robbins.

Verification of Quorum, Call Meeting to Order: President Bob Evans declared a quorum of 11 Directors to be present, called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m., and welcomed all attendees. Quorum 11/17 at 4:04 p.m.; quorum 12/17 at 4:07 p.m.; quorum 13/17 at 4:18 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda

The agenda for the February 27, 2023, meeting was approved unanimously (11-0-0).

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January 23, 2023, annual meeting were approved unanimously (12-0-0).

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Tim Seery presented the financial reports for January 2023.

Following discussion, the January 2023 report was approved unanimously (12-0-0).

Approval of Operating Budget

Treasurer Tim Seery presented the LJPB 2023 General Operating Budget.

Following discussion, the LJPB 2023 General Operating Budget was approved unanimously (12-0-0).

President's Report

President Evans thanked the incoming, remaining, and outgoing officers. The current LJPB officers are Bob Evans (President), Brenda Fake (Vice president), Tim Seery (Treasurer), Barbara Dunbar (Secretary), and Marie Hunrichs (Information Administrator).

Enforcement of the Sidewalk Vending Ordinance by Park and Recreation Dept. rangers began on Feb. 1 along coastal shorelines and has resulted in noticeable improvement and restoration of views. Some questions remain about the definition of "vendor" and whether individuals claiming "Freedom of Speech" are allowed to set up, display items, collect donations, and/or sell wares.

The Coastal Coalition is a new San Diego beach community advocacy group that provides a unified voice for and includes leaders of San Diego beach communities including La Jolla, Pacific Beach, Mission Beach, and Ocean Beach. The group is chaired by Mission Beach Town Council President Larry Webb.

President Evans proposed a spring "Directors LJPB Workshop" to be led by VP Brenda Fake to discuss and propose projects, ideas, and areas of action for LJPB to undertake.

Report from Steve Hadley, Community Outreach Director for District 1 Councilmember Joe LaCava

Mr. Hadley will check whether one or more Park and Recreation Dept. rangers would be available to attend the March 27 LJPB meeting and answer questions about their duties and enforcement of various ordinances.



Councilmember Joe LaCava will host a Community “Town Hall” meeting at 5:30 p.m. on March 15 at the La Jolla Community Center, 6811 La Jolla Blvd. On April 18, the review process begins for the City Budget. In response street light outages and malfunction complaints, the Mayor has obtained an agreement with certain labor unions that would allow hiring outside (non San Diego City employee) electricians to repair street lights and reduce the huge repair backlog. Patrick Ahern inquired about the City Council’s approval of a redefined expansion of transit priority areas to include areas from ½ to 1 mile from a transit stop and increased density.

Non-agenda Public Comments

Sally Miller asked whether there was a street sweeping schedule for Nautilus Ave. and Torrey Pines Road. Jane Reldan requested an update regarding repair of the storm-damaged railing at the Children’s Pool. Bill Robbins provided an extensive and informative report about various repairs in Scripps Park and the Cove. Work is underway to solve the swampy condition and lack of drainage near the new restroom and shower facilities. The City contractor hopes to accomplish repairs, expand a concrete pad, and add new drains within 66 work days and prior to the summer moratorium. Mr. Robbins noted a 2-lamp street light and attached cell phone signal repeaters located at the Cove fell down during recent storms, was removed, and needs to be restored. The noticeable lack of lighting is unsafe, and there is a decrease in cell phone signals. The missing pole, missing lights, and safety issues can be reported via the Get-It-Done app. Mr. Robbins was thanked by Mr. Hadley and applauded by attendees for his many, unsung efforts at the Cove and Scripps Park. Melinda Merryweather asked about City repairs to the sidewalk, culvert, and stairs on the west side of Neptune Place just south of Westbourne St. and expressed concerns about safety and potential infrastructure and roadway collapse at or near the location.

Action Items

1. La Jolla Half Marathon/Scripps Park Closure – Bart Calame, La Jolla Half Marathon Chairperson and Kiwanis Club President, informed attendees that the Half Marathon (13.1 miles) and 5K running races will be held on Saturday, May 20 and use the same course as prior years with both races ending at Scripps Park. Scripps Park will remain open to the public except for the race finish area which will be fenced off for safety and race management reasons. The half marathon starts at 6:30 a.m. at the Del Mar Fairgrounds while the 5K race starts at 6:30 a.m. at the corner of Horizon Way and La Jolla Shores Dr. There will be rolling street closures and re-openings along the course route as the runners pass through, and all runners should clear the course and finish area by 10:30 a.m. There will be a band area and a beer garden at the Park on Saturday. An Expo held at Scripps Park on Friday, May 19 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. will include an area where race runners must pick up their packets, bib numbers, and T-shirts. This event is the main fundraiser for the Kiwanis and their grant programs. They anticipate 5,000 runners. A motion to support the event and associated use of the park passed unanimously (13-0-0).
2. Windansea Barrier Project #0666879 – A motion to approve payment of \$4,254.45 from the LJPB Windansea restricted account for City of San Diego SAP Invoice #1000350035, dated 2/13/23 and regarding City DSD billing for services, was unanimously approved (13-0-0).

Information, Discussion Items and Working Group Updates

3. Fay Ave Extension Path – Debbie Adams presented an update on the condition, ongoing and past cleanup efforts, and plans for the Class 1 bike path which is 1.1 miles of asphalt and dirt from Nautilus to the Methodist Church to Camino de la Costa. The west side mostly abuts residential properties, and the east side abuts residential properties and sensitive slope and open space areas. The Kiwanis are involved in the cleanup efforts and sponsor the Right of Entry (ROE) permit required for the cleanups which are needed at increasing, nearly monthly frequency. Cleanup includes removal of construction debris, dry brush and fire



hazards, dog waste, trash and dumped items, overgrowth, invasive species, and puddles with mosquito larvae. Examples of barren slopes and erosion damage were shown. Ms. Adams thanked Glen Rasmussen from the Kiwanis for his efforts. Donated funds for the cleanups and revegetation are deposited in a Kiwanis restricted account. The newly painted crossing area at Via del Norte has improved the safety for bicyclists and children using the path to get to and from schools. There were discussions about the barricades and access ramps for improved safety and better access. Ms. Adams noted the need for a new survey of bike path usage as well as the need for new or additional signage to clarify who can be on the bike path and to remind users of other regulations such as maximum speed limit, off-leash dogs are not allowed, and to clean up pet waste. Ms. Adams was thanked for her efforts over the past 5+ years of cleanups. A question was directed to Mr. Hadley about the width of the bike path easement.

4. Coast Blvd White Fence – Mr. Evans resubmitted a ROE permit draft and has not heard back from the City.
5. Children's Pool Maintenance Working Group – Ms. Merryweather noted that Marie Hunrichs and Ken Hunrichs had joined the group and that Ken would become the chair.
6. La Jolla Hermosa Park (5780 Chelsea Ave.)– Ms. Dunbar reported filing a Get-It-Done (GID) report on Jan. 30 regarding new water damage erosion at the southwest corner of the park. The report was assigned to the Park & Recreation Dept. on the same day. They repaired the eroded area and the displaced retaining wall on Feb. 8. Before and after photos were on the closed GID status report. Ms. Dunbar reported filing a second GID report on Feb. 9 regarding a broken, displaced fence post along the sidewalk adjacent to La Jolla Hermosa Park that created pedestrian safety issues. The post and chain fencing protects people from the down-slope drop-off into the park. On Feb. 13, the GID report was sent to the Park and Recreation Dept. The broken post was fixed by Feb. 19. The updated GID report included before and after photos of the fence post repair. The prompt response was appreciated including the post-repair photo on the report.
7. Coast Walk Trail – no report
8. Windansea Barrier Project #0666879 – Ms. Merryweather lamented the continued delays and resulting costs due to several unsuccessful appeals to the City to halt the project. The project might be heard at either the April or May California Coastal Commission meeting.
9. The Scripps Park Picnic Grove area is being used on a regular basis by the public. Alexandra Corsi noted that the new permeable GraniteCrete ground cover is meeting or exceeding expectations and is being monitored and evaluated for long-term durability by various entities including the City.

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn at 5:40 p.m. to the March 27, 2023, regular meeting at 4 p.m. at the La Jolla Riford Library was unanimously approved (13-0-0).

Minutes taken by Ms. Dunbar.