



MEETING MINUTES

Monday April 22, 2024 – 4pm, La Jolla Riford Library, Community Room | In-person

Directors Present: Patrick Ahern, Tom Brady, Alexandra Corsi, Barbara Dunbar, Ann Parode Dynes, Bob Evans, Ken Hunrichs, Marie Hunrichs, Diane Kane, John Leek, Melinda Merryweather, Sally Miller, Phyllis Minick, John Shannon.

Directors Absent and Excused: Brenda Fake, Stephanie Kelly, and Tim Seery.

Guests Signed-In: Seonaid McArthur, Michelle Brown, Robyn Davidoff, and Chas. Dye

Present: Debbie Adams, Ashley Mackin-Solomon (La Jolla Light), Elizabeth Fausto, Kathleen Neil.

Verification of Quorum, Call Meeting to Order: President Bob Evans declared a quorum of 14/17 Directors, called the meeting to order at 4:06 pm, and welcomed attendees. Quorum 14/17 at 4:06 pm and 5:26 pm.

Approval of the Meeting Agenda –

The agenda for the April 22, 2024, meeting was approved unanimously (14-0-0).

Approval of Minutes of Meeting of March 25, 2024 -

The minutes of the March 25, 2024, LJP&B meeting were approved unanimously (14-0-0).

Approval of March 2024 Treasurer's Reports –

The reconciled March LJP&B Financial Statement was sent to Directors for review.

The reconciled financial report for March 2024 was approved unanimously as amended (14-0-0).

President's Report –

President Evans plans to hold a 3-hour, late afternoon Board Development meeting in June to include the following topics: 1) other nonprofit organization presentations, 2) discussion of current projects; 3) discussion of potential new projects; and 4) formation of a working group to adopt a La Jolla program similar to the Del Mar Shoresaver program to enhance ongoing beach and park cleanliness and trash pickup. He requested placing formation of a La Jolla Shoresaver working group onto the May agenda with information forwarded to the directors. Melinda Merryweather volunteered to contact the Del Mar Shoresavers for information about their program. Further discussion ensued.

President Evans discussed the City's Coastal Resiliency Master Plan and nature based solutions. The next informational event is April 25 at Tourmaline Surfing Park (5:30 pm). Diane Kane requested possible creation of a Coastal Resiliency Master Plan working group to the May agenda. Further discussion ensued.

President Evans discussed the LJPB website which is being updated by web designer Kip Ives and need for feedback. Ann Dynes thanked the prior volunteer webmaster Marc Coleman for his dedication and many years of volunteer service to maintain and update the LJPB website, and the Directors concurred.

President Evans noted that most of the sidewalk vendors at Scripps Park are gone since implementation and enforcement of the new vending ordinance.

Report from Councilmember LaCava's Office –

Emily Lynch (Community Representative for the Office of San Diego City District 1 Councilmember and President Pro Tem Joe LaCava) was unable to attend due to a presentation by Mayor Todd Gloria regarding the Fiscal Year 2025 City budget. Ms. Lynch send an update that included the following: Mr. LaCava distributes a weekly informational newsletter; review of the City of San Diego budget has begun and feedback is requested; San Diego Police Department Northern Division is adding officers and safety planning is being finalized.



Non-agenda and Public Comments - issues not on the agenda within the LJP&B jurisdiction

Ms. Merryweather noted April 22 Earth Day and asked people to write a letter regarding the Tijuana River sewage problem.

Robyn Davidoff mentioned that the Seal Conservancy Beach Clean Up on April 20 netted 40 pounds of trash including 600 cigarette butts.

Friends of Windansea hosted a successful clean up event at Windansea.

Alexandra Corsi requested that LJPB form a working group at the May meeting regarding the Scripps Parks Capital improvement Project (CIP) sidewalk expansion; Seonaid McArthur concurred.

Ms. Corsi asked how much it cost the City for the Windansea drainage repairs.

Phyllis Minick reported that the short walls adjacent to the sidewalk near the Children's Pool have new stucco coatings and repairs.

Ann Dynes noted that Scripps Park sidewalk widening has been on the CIP request list for many years.

Ms. Dynes suggested that LJPB consider paid LJPB memberships as a fundraising source and to build support and asked that this be added to the May meeting agenda for discussion.

Marie Hunrichs asked about the status of the City Parks and Beaches coastal access stairs adjacent to 5990 Camino de la Costa. President Evans will request a status report from CD1.

John Leek asked about the status of coastal access stairways to South Casa Beach and Shell Beach and the cordoned-off nearby belvedere. President Evans will follow up.

Kathleen Neil announced an April 22 information meeting at 6 pm in the Riford Library Seminar Room regarding the beach access stairs just south of the Marine Room.

Status reports for other projects were requested.

John Shannon noted that fiberglass rebar, instead of metal rebar, increases the lifespan of concrete benches considerably and suggested that future benches be constructed using fiberglass rebar.

Action Items to be Voted Upon - none

Information, Discussion Items and Working Group Updates

1. Bottom Scratchers Plaque and Design Working Group –
Ken Hunrichs noted that Volker Hoehne has the plaque and boulder and awaits installation instruction from the City Parks and Recreation Department. He may be required to wait until after the summer moratorium.
2. Scripps Park Picnic Grove II Working Group – Rev. Tim Seery, Alexandra Corsi
Construction drawings were sent to the City in December. A response is anticipated in another month.
3. Scripps Park Picnic Grove I Working Group – Rev. Tim Seery, Alexandra Corsi
The Granitecrete manufacturer wants to do repairs to the Granitecrete pathway. Thus far, there has been no response regarding scheduling of the repairs from the City Parks and Recreation Dept. Deputy Director Christina Chadwick or from Milton Clark who replaced Dan Daneri.
4. Coast Blvd White Fence Maintenance Project –
President Evans discussed the slow responses from the City Transportation Dept. to status requests. The project to paint and repair the fencing along Coast Blvd has been underway for 1.5 years. Three weeks earlier the Transportation Dept. made additional comments and requests noting that a CEQA Environmental report, Coastal Development Permit, and Performance Bond were required. These requests are being questioned since this is a maintenance project. The City attorney is requiring more than originally anticipated. No Right of Entry permit (ROE) has been issued.



5. Coast Walk Trail Maintenance –
There has been no response from the City Transportation Dept to a request for a new ROE to repair the Coast Walk Trail bridge. The Coast Walk Trail weeding party was a great success.
6. Whale View Point Fence Repair/ Maintenance Working Group –
Ms. Dynes reported a lack of response from the Transportation Department regarding the request for a ROE to perform fence maintenance.
7. Fay Ave Extension Pedestrian/Bike Path –
Debbie Adams led an Earth Day weekend “ I Love A Clean San Diego” Fay Avenue Bike path cleanup event that collected and removed 2,500 pounds of trash and mostly dry brush. Earlier representatives from the Traffic and Transportation Dept. walked the bike path with Ms. Adams to review intersections with streets that needed markings for enhanced safety. Requests for signage were made. A number of different City Departments are involved since the bike path is under the jurisdiction of various departments including Transportation, Parks and Recreation Open Spaces, and Parks and Recreation parks. An effort will be made to plant trees along the path. Attendees asked questions, and a discussion ensued regarding speed limits, signage, bike classifications, and more. It is hoped that the path will be posted with an 8 MPH speed limit. Donations for bike path maintenance can be made to the La Jolla Kiwanis (kiwanisclublajolla.org)
8. Bird Rock Parks and Beaches –
Barbara Dunbar stated that the Bird Rock Community Council and Chase Bank held their first beach clean-up event on Sat. March 30 during torrential rains as part of an “I Love A Clean San Diego, Adopt-A-Beach” program for the beach between PB Point South and Tourmaline Surf Park. Despite limited turnout and intensely windy and rainy conditions, 25 pounds of trash were collected.
9. Windansea Barrier Project (#0666879) Windansea Barrier/ Erosion Control and Belvedere Project –
Ms. Merryweather reported that the project awaits City responses. It is anticipated that the off-site constructed belvedere will be placed onto its concrete pad immediately following Labor Day after the end of the summer construction moratorium. They are waiting for City approval to place four memorial plaques, one at the top of each of the four Windansea beach access stairs. The plaques are a critical component of the fundraising plan for the project which is being privately financed for the benefit of all Windansea and which will result in additional, improved protection of sensitive areas.

Adjournment Due to May 27 Memorial Day, the LJPB May meeting will be on the 3rd Monday of May. The motion to adjourn at 5:26 pm to the May 20, 2024, regular meeting at 4 pm at the La Jolla Riford Library was unanimously approved (15-0-0).

Minutes taken by Ms. Dunbar_