

# MEETING MINUTES Monday June 24, 2024 – 4pm, La Jolla Riford Library

**Directors Present:** Patrick Ahern (arr. 5:07 pm), Tom Brady, Barbara Dunbar (Secretary), Bob Evans (President), Brenda Fake (left 5:14 pm), Ken Hunrichs, Marie Hunrichs, Diane Kane (arr. 4:52 pm), John Leek, Sally Miller, Phyllis Minick

**Directors Absent and Excused:** Alexandra Corsi, Ann Parode Dynes, Stephanie Kelly, Melinda Merryweather, Tim Seery (Treasurer), John Shannon (Vice President).

**Guests Signed-In**: Kathleen Neil, Emily Lynch, Glenn Montgomery, Marie Montgomery, Chas. Dye, and Debbie Adams **Present**: Seonaid McArthur and Ashley Mackin-Solomon (La Jolla Light).

#### Verification of Quorum, Call Meeting to Order:

President Bob Evans declared a quorum of 9/17 Directors, called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm, and welcomed attendees. Quorum 9/17 at 4:03 p.m. Quorum 10/17 at 4:52 p.m.; quorum 11/17 at 5:07 p.m.; quorum 10/17 at 5:14 p.m.

#### Approval of the Meeting Agenda –

The agenda for the June 24, 2024, meeting was approved unanimously (9-0-0).

## Approval of Minutes of Meeting of May 20, 2024 -

The minutes of the May 20, 2024, LJP&B meeting were approved unanimously (9-0-0).

### Approval of May 2024 Treasurer's Reports -

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

The reconciled financial report for May 2024 was approved unanimously (9-0-0).

#### President's Report – Bob Evans

President Evans noted the upcoming City Coastal Resiliency Master Plan presentation to community members and workshop at Riford Library on June 25 to discuss plans and nature-based solutions to predicted ocean level rise due to climate changes for La Jolla Shores, Tourmaline Surf Park, and Mission Beach.

Park Rangers are making progress with sidewalk vending issues and doing a fantastic enforcement job with help from SDPD. Several Directors reported continued problems.

#### 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) reminded attendees that Mr. LaCava attends the La Jolla Open Aire Farmer's Market monthly on the 1st Sunday. Ms. Lynch holds community "office hours" from 9am-12pm monthly on the 3rd Friday at the Riford Library Community Room (next is July 19). The revised City budget was approved. The beach access stair repair project adjacent to 5990 Camino de la Costa remains in the feasibility study stage.

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

Chas. Dye commented on the improving vendor situation and requested status of South Casa Beach and repairs to the blocked-off belvedere (no updates); the belvedere is being used despite being cordoned off.

Glenn Montgomery asked about access to Shell Beach and bluff and other repairs and fencing at the south end of Scripps Park. The project is completed; fences will be removed once the newly installed sod takes hold.

Kathleen Neil provided a fabulous update on the beach accessway south of the Marine Room (Beach Access Improvement Spindrift at Marine Room), the various challenges being addressed, and the feasibility study status. She thanked all of the involved volunteers.

## Information, Discussion Items and Working Group Updates

1. La Jolla Park Historical District Designation Update -

Seonaid McArthur and President Evans discussed updates, including the goal to encourage the City of San Diego to better care for coastal historical areas, research of areas where bronze historical identification plaques should be placed, and the start of an "existing condition report" to document the condition of



existing structures and grounds. On a date in early November, the Dedication Ceremony with Kumeyaay blessing, a special historical designation party, and other activities will take place. It was noted that some existing irrigation problems are impacting the area. Baseline conditions of the historical areas are needed.

- 2. Del Mar ShoreSaver Program Update The Del Mar Village Association is tentatively scheduled to make a presentation about the Del Mar ShoreSaver Program at the July LJPB meeting.
- 3. Scripps Park Picnic Grove II Working Group —
  The working group is close to obtaining a Right of Entry (ROE) permit with an anticipated fall start date for the project expected to cost \$70,000. Donors have pledged 2/3 of the cost; more fund raising is needed.
- 4. Whale View Point Fence Repair/ Maintenance Working Group A lack of progress was reported in dealing with the City Traffic and Transportation Dept. which has oversight of the fence location. Additional follow-up is ongoing. The fencing is in desperate need of paint and looks bad. CD1 will be consulted for assistance. Brenda Fake commented that a letter needs to be sent to inquire why non-profits or non-City volunteer groups should be required to pay a fee to obtain a permit to work on or repair City owned property. It was argued that since the work is being done for the benefit of the City, at no charge to the City, with donated funds, and in lieu of the City performing the work, there should be no fee associated with the permit process and no performance bond should be required.
- 5. Coast Blvd White Fence No progress was reported; follow-up with the City Transportation Dept. needed.
- 6. Fay Ave Bike Path -

Debbie Adams reported their ROE and approved plans allow installation of a bench area, funded with private donations. Work is scheduled to commence in two weeks. Bike Path volunteers continue to pull weeds, remove dry brush and other fire hazards, and perform clean-up activities. It is a challenge to get enforcement of bike path rules due to the proliferation of and misuse of e-bikes. Safety is the primary concern. Placement of additional benches at viewpoints or other locations is being reviewed. The tree section where 16 trees were vandalized and cut down has been cleaned up. SDPD investigation of the felony vandalism continues. Ms. Miller noted the presence of coyotes along the bike path. In response to an inquiry, Ms. Adams noted that 3 City entities have jurisdiction over various individual sections of the Bike Path, including Parks and Recreation Open Spaces, City Transportation, and City Assets.

#### 7. Coast Walk Trail - Brenda Fake

Brenda Fale reported on Eagle Scout projects along the Coast Walk Trail, including making and installing benches, painting and repairing fences, and repairing trails, walkways, and erosion control areas. The annual fundraiser, "Cocktails on Coast Walk 2024, "Night at the Manhattan, an Evening with Tad Sisler" will take place on Sept. 19 from 6-10 pm. Proceeds from the event will go toward repairing the historic C.W. Bridge and two trail slope repairs.

- 8. Bird Rock Parks (La Jolla Hermosa, Calumet, Bird Rock Joint Use) and Overlooks Ms. Dunbar noted that the Bird Rock Community Council has adopted the beach from PB Point south to Tourmaline Surf Park and is hosting a second Adopt-a-Beach clean-up on Saturday June 29, 9 am to 12 pm during low tide. Clean up includes itemization of the litter and debris collected which provides important data for research and legislation. Sign-in will be at the beach access stairs at Linda Way and Sea Ridge Dr. in Bird Rock. Plants at one Bird Rock overlook were vandalized during the past month. The damage was cleaned up and plants were replaced.
- 9. Windansea Barrier Project (#0666879) Windansea Barrier/ Erosion Control and Belvedere no report
- 10. Scripps Park Sidewalk Project Working Group no report

The next La Jolla Parks and Beaches meeting will take place on July 22 in the Riford Library Community Room.

The motion to adjourn at 5:24 pm to the July 22, 2024, regular meeting at 4 pm at the La Jolla Riford

Library was unanimously approved (10-0-0).

Minutes by Barbara Dunbar