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MINUTES -- REGULAR MEETING

Monday, August 28, 2017 – 4:00 PM, La Jolla Recreation Center, Auditorium

Members Present: (17) Patrick Ahern, Dan Allen, Tom Brady, Ann Dynes, Bob Evans, Roger Guillemin, Judy Halter, Ken Hunrichs, Marie Hunrichs, Melinda Merryweather, Sally Miller, Phyllis Minick, Stan Minick, Jane Reldan, Bill Robbins, John Shannon & Janet Stratford Collins. **Members absent:** (3) Debbie Beacham (excused travel), Nancy Link (excused illness), & Mary Ellen Morgan (excused travel).

Guests signed-in: (5) M. K Plantes, Kristine Entwistle, Rupala Adel, John Leek & Pam Heatherington.

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order Ann Dynes, President
- 2. Non-Agenda Public Comment--Issues not on the agenda and within LJP&B jurisdiction; two minutes or less none.

Consent Agenda: Approved, motion Ken 1st, Phyllis 2nd. Unanimous.

- 3. Agenda for this meeting
- 4. Secretary's Report -- Minutes of June 26, 2017
- 5. Treasurer's Report Report for June and July, 2017

<u>President's Report</u> by Ann Dynes – stressing the importance of member attendance, Ann quoted from the bylaws and explained that excused absences must be unavoidable with a pre-planned or conflicting other matter. She asked that the basis for excused absences be reflected in the minutes.

Reflecting on a recent complaint received from a local rental property owner pertaining to the build-up of sea-weed "wrack" on LJ beaches, Ann reported on recent input on this subject. She reported that some City beaches are grandfathered by Coastal Commission policy and cleaned by the City, such as PB/Mission and LJ Shores, whereas local beaches such as Windansea and Marine Street are not permitted to be cleaned by the City so they are afflicted with wrack, causing odor, flies, and unpleasant remarks from vacationers. Ken reported that the Children's Pool used to be cleaned of wrack by the City, but it has not been grandfathered like the other beaches. Jane cited several authoritative reports claiming that wrack is a valuable food source for the shore-line ecosystem. It was proposed to form a sub-committee to look into solutions for wrack which would be feasible, such as applying to the Coastal Commission and the City to obtain permits for local beaches. Upon motion duly made and seconded, Ken, Tom, Marie, Judy agreed to form a short term working group to review the options and report back.

Report by Bill Harris, City of San Diego Customer Service Program Manager – Coast Walk vegetation and Black's Lookout maintenance updates. Bill Harris cancelled his plans to attend due to a family issue, but Ann reported that he will be invited to attend future meetings. Melinda noted that Coast Walk needs trimming to maintain view corridor and expressed hope that Bill will be advisory in that regard.

Action Items

6. Challenged Athletes Foundation Event on October 22, 2017 – Kristine Entwistle presented a request for permission to hold this event again this year at the Cove. In respond to a question, she advised that swim portion will probably be at Cove, pending a report concerning bacteria levels,

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saying that there is much better logistics and event flow when the swim is at Cove, versus at the Shores. Otherwise the same setup for the event as last year. Motion to approve by Melinda 1st, Sally 2nd. Unanimous.

- **7.** Princess Street Offer to Dedicate -- Pam Heatherington, Environmental Center of San Diego requested a letter of support for this project and disbursement of \$1000 from Friends of WindanSea account to support its costs Melinda stated that she has discretionary authority to donate funds from the Windansea account to Princess St for an environmental study. Several members were uncomfortable with funds moving between accounts without clear donor approval. Motion to expend \$1000 from the General Fund, 1st Melinda, 2nd Judy. Melinda will work on getting written permission from donors of Windansea account to reimburse the General Fund.
- **8.** Historical Designation for Children's Pool Ken Hunrichs explained the plan to apply for 'Historical Designation' of the Children's Pool in concert with the LJ Historical Society. The City engineer met earlier this month with Ann, Ken, Marie and Melinda about the plans for the improvement of the area above the pool and Diane Kane was there and very helpful to the process and the concept of this designation. She has offered to donate her time and expertise to this application. Dan motioned to adopt the following motion, Sally 2nd. Passed 15-1, Jane dissenting:

Resolved, that La Jolla Parks & Beaches, Inc., jointly with the La Jolla Historical Society, nominate the Children's Pool to be nationally designated as a historic site on all applicable grounds, with a purpose to elevate its historicity, deal with modern building codes which would otherwise be applicable in an adverse way, and potentially bring funding opportunities for its preservation.

- **9.** Create Working Group for Capital Projects List Ann described the need for a group to prepare a new list of Capital and Operating projects which LJPB recommends to the City each year. A working group comprised of Dan, Judy, Phyllis, and John was proposed. Motion to approve by Bill, 2nd Melinda. Passed unanimously.
- **10.** Create Working Group to establish criteria for park events Ann reviewed previous discussions about a desire by some members to have standing criteria for the approval of public events in local parks. A working group was established to be comprised of Mary Ellen, Debbie, Phyllis, Nancy, Melinda. Motion Melinda, 2nd Tom. Passed unanimously.
- 11. Black's Lookout -- Melinda stated that the spikey plants at this location must be removed. She also stated that the California Coastal Commission requires that, per original deed, the fence at this location should be 4 feet high—not the current 6 feet. Melinda believes that she can reallocate funds from Windansea account of approx. \$1,500 to redo fence to comply. After substantial discussion about the risks and benefits of undertaking a fence revision by LJPB, Melinda made a motion to approve in principle such action, implementation of which would include discussion of fence revisions with the City risk-management personnel and discussion of the proposal with neighbors. Marie 2nd. Passed 15-1 approve, Jane opposed. Melinda then stated that the original easement dedication says no shade trees or plants are allowed and views are intended to be preserved, Patrick noting that such views were intended to be preserved for the owners not really for the public. Motion by Ken for LJPB to remove plants, Melinda 2nd. Votes 7-8, motion fails. Melinda to continue to monitor plant heights.
- **12.** Approve WindanSea check for \$300 to Mark Bromley -- Melinda motion, Ken 2nd. Passes 14-1 Jane dissenting.

Discussion Items

13. Book Kiosks – Ruqaya Adel presented a proposal in concept about book kiosks at La Jolla beaches, and described the success at other US and international beaches. Bill suggested City

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Council will have to rule, and recommended to present at LJ Shores PDO. Ms. Adel was encouraged to pursue her concept at locations other than within the jurisdiction of LJPB where the beaches are too small for such an operation.

Information Items

- 14. Sea Lions Task Force -- Debbie Beacham (no report)
- **15.** Children's Pool Walkway Beautification Phyllis Minick/ Ken Hunrichs. Following a report of the gist of the previous meeting, Ann was asked to try to get City engineer to a LJPB meeting for discussion.
- **16.** La Jolla Cove Pavilion Judy shared /proposed idea for a possible design competition for artists.
- **17.** Whale View Point Shoreline Enhancement Ann reported that the City has undertaken to replace the deteriorated picnic tables and it is anticipated that the new tables will be installed sometime this fall.
 - **18.** Windansea Debbie Beacham/Melinda Merryweather no report
 - **19.** Coastal Access Melinda Merryweather/Debbie Beacham no report
 - 20. Signs Bill Robbins no report
 - **21.** Marine Protection Areas Debbie Beacham no report
 - 22. Fay Avenue Bicycle Path Sally Miller- no report
 - 23. 100 Coast Blvd. Stairway Bill states stairs are getting hung this week. Close to completion!
 - 24. Adjourn to Next Regular Meeting September 25, 2017