



LAJOLLA
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BEACHES

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF
October 23, 2022 – 4:00 PM at La Jolla Recreation Center, 615 Prospect Street

Directors Present: Patrick Ahern (arrived at 4:16 pm), Dan Allen, Alexandra Corsi, Catherine Cox, Barbara Dunbar, Bob Evans, Brenda Fake, Ken Hunrichs, Marie Hunrichs, John Leek (arrived at 4:18 pm), Melinda Merryweather, Jane Reldan, and Tim Seery.

Directors Absent: Ann Parode Dynes, Sally Miller, Tom Brady, Phyllis Minick, John Shannon, and Jon Wiggins.

Guests Present: Lillie Mulligan, Steve Hadley, Ashley Mackin Solomon, Debbie Adams, and Suzanne Baracchini.

President Bob Evans declared a quorum of 11 Directors to be present, called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m., and welcomed all attendees.

Quorum 12/19 at 4:16 pm; quorum 13/19 at 4:18 pm

Approval of the Agenda.

The agenda for the October 24, 2022, meeting was approved unanimously (11-0-0).

Approval of Minutes.

The minutes of the September 26, 2022, meeting were approved unanimously (11-0-0).

Approval of Treasurer's Report.

Treasurer Tim Seery presented the financial report for September 2022 including an amendment to move the total income figure into the total column. Following discussion, the September 2022 report was approved unanimously as amended (11-0-0).

President's Report

President Evans noted the temporary change of venue for the October meeting due to lack of availability of the La Jolla Library and announced that the next meeting will be at 4 pm on Monday, December 5, 2022, at the La Jolla Library.

He reported that the Vending Ordinance does not need CA Coastal Commission Approval, and the San Diego City Council will vote to accept the updated Vending Ordinance at the November 14 Council meeting. A second reading is scheduled for December 6, and the ordinance should go into effect 30 days later on January 6, 2023.

Burned out and unlit street lights at and adjacent to Scripps Park have been replaced or repaired by the City within the past month creating a safer and more inviting area. Additionally, a missing light at Point La Jolla will hopefully be re-installed.

Report from Councilmember LaCava's Office

Steven Hadley, Community Outreach Director in Councilman La Cava's office, had no additional information to report regarding the Vending Ordinance and thanked President Evans for his comments.

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Non-agenda Public Comments

Melinda Merryweather inventoried concrete hot coal bins, stand-alone metal grills, and dual grill-coal bins at shoreline parks and areas. She reported that some were missing and wanted assurance that hot coal bins, grills, and dual grill-bins would not be removed from La Jolla shoreline parks in the future. A coal bin and grill disappeared from La Jolla Hermosa Park between April 2012 and June 2014. A new grill and coal bin are scheduled to be installed as part of the Scripps Park Picnic Grove Maintenance project to replace existing old ones. Discussion ensued about requesting moving the old grill and coal bin to La Jolla Hermosa Park.

Lillie Mulligan, Conservation Program Coordinator for Wild Coast San Diego, introduced herself and stated that Wild Coast is a community-based organization committed to conserving coastal and marine ecosystems. They monitor the Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) with the main focus to prevent poaching and illegal fishing and help ensure that MPA regulations are followed and signage is readable. They are involved with special lifeguard training for MPA areas. Discussion ensued and Ms. Mulligan noted that Wild Coast also monitors water quality but that their main focus at present is illegal fishing.

Ms Merryweather noted the Spindrifft Beach Access Project, under La Jolla Shores Association oversight, has received two recent donations towards funding the project.

Action Items

1. Following discussion about the LJPB Scripps Park Pavilion account, the motion (Dunbar), second (Corsi) to close the Scripps Park Pavilion account and transfer the \$6,059.56 balance to the LJPB General account was approved unanimously. (13-0-0)
2. President Evans discussed the need to appoint a 3-person Nominating Committee to choose a slate of officers for the 2-year officer positions of President, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding/Information Management Secretary that will be presented at the December meeting. Appointment of Ken Hunrichs, Tim Seery, and Tom Brady to the Nominating Committee was approved unanimously. (13-0-0)
3. Vice President Brenda Fake outlined several of the proposed Director Projects and the work entailed. Ms. Fake thanked Ashley Mackin-Solomon (La Jolla Light) for bringing public attention to the dilapidated white fencing along Coast Blvd and the maintenance and repair needs. There was further discussion about the steps involved to launch this project including project evaluation, scope of work, fund raising, potential inclusion as a CD1 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) project, and formally approving a working group. The motion (Dunbar), second (Ahern) to establish the "White Fencing Along Coast Blvd Maintenance Project" working group and to appoint Directors Bob Evans, Brenda Fake, Alexandra Corsi, Dan Allen, Melinda Merryweather, and non-director Suzanne Baracchini was approved unanimously. (13-0-0)

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Information, Discussion Items and Working Group Updates

4. Ms. Dunbar reported that the City Storm Water Dept. cleared and repaired the blocked storm drain south of La Jolla Hermosa Park (5780 Chelsea) on 10/13-15/22 and were repairing bluff edge erosion. Water diverted from the blocked storm drain 2 ½ years ago damaged the southwest portion of the park and bluff edge. More park work is required to repair erosion and stairway access, restore views, and return a missing viewing bench.
5. Ms. Fake announced that La Jolla's Historic Coast Walk Trail received a 2022 Orchid Award for landscape architecture from the San Diego Architectural Foundation. The community was commended for the grassroots effort and for preservation of a precious natural resource. Additional funds have been raised via "Leave a Legacy" wall plaques. Ongoing works includes cleaning out dead vegetation, maintenance and installation of post and chain fencing, addition of native plants, removal of invasive plants, enhancing view corridors, slope repairs, and dealing with drainage problems.
6. Ms. Merryweather noted that the Windansea and Barrier/ Erosion Project is scheduled to be heard at the CA Coastal Commission in March 2023, roughly 5 years after being approved by LJPB due, in part, to delays resulting from several appeals.
7. Ms. Corsi presented a Scripps Park Picnic Grove Maintenance Project update noting the handling of some unforeseen issues including discovery of a 13" concrete storm drain below the work area. Extra drainage precautions are being implemented for the GraniteCrete paving system installation. The existing picnic table has been saved. The City is donating a new ADA accessible picnic table, trash container, hot coal bin, and grill. The dedication plaque is awaited. Work, which started Sept. 29, is expected to be completed prior to Thanksgiving. This is a great partnership between LJPB and the City Park and Recreation Dept. The donors are pleased with the progress.
8. The Fay Ave Extension update was presented by Debbie Adams. Periodic clean-up and removal of trash, debris and dead vegetation continue in more manageable segments. Sections of the path are under the jurisdiction of City Transportation or Real Estate Assets or are private. Concerns were expressed about illegal use of Class 3 e-bikes and golf carts on the path, regulations, safety, speeding, speed limits, and signage. The next big project is to address substantial erosion on the north slope above the Nautilus Fire Station in an area that is part of City Real Estate Assets. The City Bike Lane presentation at the La Jolla Traffic & Transportation meeting was discussed. A request was made for LJPB to view a presentation by T Wilson for bike path improvements.
9. New Waste Container Lids along Whale View Point – Ann Dynes ordered 50 new, brown replacement trash container lids at a cost of \$3,600 for 50 lids. The lids have arrived and await City replacement on the waste containers along Whale View Point.

The motion to adjourn at 5:28 pm was approved unanimously. (13-0-0)

Adjourn to December 6, 2022, 4 p.m. at the LJ Riford Library. Minutes taken by Ms Dunbar.

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