

Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council
Governing Board and Stakeholder Special Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 24, 2017 6:00 PM

Marine Exchange Conference Room
3601 S. Gaffey Street, San Pedro

1. Voluntary opportunity to say the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Public comment on non-agenda items.

None

3. Call to order and roll call.

Doug Epperhart, president of the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council, called the special meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. Epperhart called the roll and the following quorum of members were present:

Shannon Ross

Bob Bryant

Dean Pentcheff

Doug Epperhart

Bob Gelfand

Louis Dominguez

Richard Havenick

Noel Gould

Mike Riso

4. Board member comment on non-agenda items.

Shannon Ross – The Dodgers are playing in the Major League Baseball World Series.

Louis Dominguez – The ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles have released the Clean Air Action Report. Dominguez will email out to fellow board members. The two ports will host a joint meeting on November 2nd at the Crowne Plaza Harbor Hotel in San Pedro.

5. The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council authorizes an expenditure not to exceed \$450 (\$50 per month for nine months) for an electronic newsletter.

Louis Dominguez moved to authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$450 (\$50 per month for nine months) for an electronic newsletter; the motion was seconded by Bob Bryant.

The board discussed that Kristina Smith will prepare the newsletter. The newsletter will be delivered twice per month, around the time of the agenda setting meeting and the regular board meeting.

The motion passed with 9 yes (Bryant, Dominguez, Epperhart, Gelfand, Gould, Havenick, Pentcheff, Riso and Ross), 0 no, 0 abstentions.)

6. The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council authorizes an expenditure not to exceed \$500 to co-sponsor a holiday event in December at Point Fermin Park with City Recreation and Parks.

Shannon Ross moved to authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$500 to co-sponsor a holiday event in December at Point Fermin Park with City Recreation and Parks; the motion was seconded by Bob Bryant.

The board discussed the breakdown of expenses for the holiday event. Several community members expressed interest in this event at Angels Gate Park Advisory Board meetings. The event is a partnership with Rec. and Parks. There will be a toy drive so that the Los Angeles Police Department can donate toys. Santa will be present.

Some board members want to see similar events in the future, while other members want more religions, or no religions, focused on at council-sponsored events.

The motion passed with 6 yes (Bryant, Dominguez, Epperhart, Havenick, Riso and Ross) 3 no (Gelfand, Gould and Pentcheff) and 0 abstentions..

7. Discussion and possible revision of the current system for submitting funding requests within the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council.

The board discussed the current procedure for things to get funded. If an item gets recommended by a committee, the committee chair is asked to fill out a form detailing the proposed budget and pass that on to the Budget and Finance committee. The Budget and Finance committee makes certain that there are enough funds for the item and then passes it to the Agenda Committee. If funds are not available, then the Budget and Finance Committee can recommend funds be transferred by the full board.

Some board members were concerned about the efficacy of the procedure. They questioned if it is a necessary step in funding projects and items. They also noted that a special meeting should not be necessary if that system is working.

The chair of the budget and finance committee said that it should have been made more clear to all board members that review of funds need to go through the budget and finance committee.

It was suggested that the Budget and Finance Committee meet closer to the Agenda Setting meeting.

8. Public comment on non-agenda items.

Shannon Ross- Thanks to everyone for coming.

Louis Dominguez- Dec. 3 is the San Pedro Holiday Parade. Coastal has not been in the parade recently.

Kathleen Martin- Wants funds to pass out water to homeless people to help them get through the heat wave.

9. Adjournment.

Without objection, President Epperhart adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christian L. Guzman