

**Mission Beach Town Council
General Membership Meeting
Belmont Park Community Room
September 12, 2007**

President Mary Swenson called the meeting to order at 7 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introductions: Executive Board, Representatives of Elected Officials, SDPD, and other Government Agencies and Guests.

Minutes: August 8 minutes approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Willie Gardner reported that we have \$5,256.31 in the General Fund and \$64.97 in the Utility Box Fund.

President's Report: Mary announced that Kevin Faulconer could not be here tonight, but will be at the Neighborhood Watch meeting tomorrow at the Woman's Club to answer questions about the proposed beach alcohol ban; Mary reported that there are some issues regarding parking for the scheduled skateboard event this weekend at Belmont Park as they were unable to get a lot for shuttle service; Jasmine Kung is taking some time off, as she will be in Alaska for about three months--Tom Lochtefeld agreed to again be MBPPB representative and Bob Craig is taking over the Utility Box painting. Laura Hendrickson would like us to complete a survey at sandiegobig.org and would like to come to our October meeting to request support of some proposed beach improvements for South Mission Beach. Mary requested volunteers for nominating committee and to serve on the Mission Beach improvement District (MAD).

El Carmel Lights Report: Paul Jacobs reported that the new poles are due to be delivered in about two weeks and should be lit within a few days after arrival.

USD: Tom Cleary reported on their attempts to help their students who are living in our community be good neighbors. He distributed their updated Guide to Off-Campus Living booklet. USD has a free shuttle to and from Belmont Park to their home football games

SDPD Report: Lt. Brian Ahearn thanked MBTC for pizza over Labor Day weekend. The El Carmel Command Post is currently unmanned during daytime hours, but can be reactivated if need arises--resources are needed more at the jetty right now; Camera Project has resulted in 30% reduction in crime and expansion is in progress--SMB Tower and Reed Street should get cameras next; He thanked Tom Cleary for USD's efforts to work with students living in our area; 24 houses in Northern Division are currently CAPPED; derelict motor homes will continue to be a problem until we get the OVO--if reporting vehicles, give specific information about individual vehicles, not a list of several vehicles.

Crime Statistics Report (Bill Bradshaw): Overall crime numbers for August 2007 are down compared to August 2006 (448-572).

Kevin Faulconer's office Jamie Fox Rice and Nick Calero reported that the Oversized Vehicle Ordinance update is now in the City Attorney's Office then will go to Mayor and Council for cost analysis, then to Council for vote (copy of draft given to Mary); SMB parking lot to be restriped; alcohol ban will be supported by Kevin and there will be full public review; information on both sides of this issue is available on two websites: savepb.org in favor of ban and freepb.org opposing; in response to questions, Jamie stated she will continue to try to get complete figures regarding cost to taxpayers for security, vehicles, overtime, etc. for both the 4th of July and Labor Day; Nick announced Project Nightlight, a sweep of the area scheduled for Oct 14-21, to locate all the burned out lights in our walks and alleys.

City Attorney's Office (Teresa Martin): Boardwalk sweeping by Beach Area Community Court participants took place Labor Day weekend; BACC meets only once a month now; volunteers are needed to help with Saturday cleanup duty: BACC participants are mostly locals, so far, recidivism is zero; the Labor Day incident resulted in 16 arrests, mostly assault cases (throwing things); a draft of the proposed alcohol ban document should come from City Attorney's office next week; Teresa is working with Public Safety Office at USD on a program to stop sexual assault and to warn students that the beach area can be dangerous, especially at night.

Christine Kehoe (Sean Wherley): Kehoe's Corner was distributed and questions solicited.

Greg Cox Report (Maddy Morris): discussed community beautification programs.

Lori Saldano (Shawn Venn): The Saldana Sun was distributed and questions solicited.

Bob Craig (area 9): Reported on anti-scavenger program, utility box painting (artist volunteers needed); Boardwalk planters (new ones will be pinned on); and alley lighting. Bob encouraged everyone who could to put up dusk to dawn lights.

Nancie Geller: Bahia sign refurbishing/repainting estimate is \$600. Mary will call Jim Greene at the Bahia to see if they can help with that and lighting/landscaping. Catamaran area sign needs work too.

Bob Ruane: refrigerator magnets are available. New sponsors are welcome

Adjourned: 8:30

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 10, 2007, Belmont Park Community Room, 7 PM.

Minutes submitted by Doug Swenson, Secretary