

**MISSION BEACH TOWN COUNCIL
General Membership Meeting
Belmont Park Community Room
October 2009**

Call to Order: President Willie Gardner called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, led the Pledge of Allegiance and introduced the Executive Board, Representatives of Elected Officials and SDPD and Guests.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the September 2009 general and executive board meetings were approved as written.

President's Report: Willie Gardner reported details regarding article in Beach and Bay Press re the Town Council; and that a meeting has been scheduled with the City in December to discuss methods of distribution of recycling trash cans and related issues.

Treasurer's Report. Scott Morrison reported and treasurer's report approved as presented.

Nominating Committee Presentation: A presentation was made by the Nominating Committee regarding the MBTC slate for next year's election and announcing the procedures for the upcoming elections to be held at the November general meeting.

Santa Clara Parking: A discussion was held regarding the removal of overnight parking spaces at Santa Clara Point. Motion made and approved by majority to support the reinstatement of overnight parking.

Surfrider Ash Can Proposal: A presentation and discussion was had regarding the installation of ash cans along Mission Blvd. The cans would be strapped to poles and could be near commercial establishments to avoid litter and related issues. The program has previously been instituted in Ocean Beach and Pacific Beach and Surfrider Foundation is willing to donate 10 ash cans for Mission Beach. Motion made and unanimously approved to institute the program in Mission Beach with the Executive Board to handle details regarding location, installation and maintenance.

Councilmember Falconer's Report: Thyme Curtis reported that a medical marijuana task force has been created (www.sandiego.gov/medicalmarijuana) and that alternatives for homeless shelters were under discussion. Thyme was further questioned, discussed and would look into areas raised by the town council members including status of Ensenada street lights; sports arena bridge light issues; status of oversized vehicle ordinance; abandoned vehicles; the re-opening of a medical marijuana store in Mission Beach; and "big boxes" on the streets.

Mayor's Report: Ron Lacey reported that the City continues to be in a severe financial crisis; that water conservation efforts were going well; that stimulus money is coming into the City; that plans were proceeding for a new city hall and library. Ron was further questioned, discussed and would look into areas raised by the town council members including timeline for re-paving Mission Blvd (Ron indicated information on line); availability and process for installation of solar lighting on boardwalk (Ron indicated that there is a committee); and status of utility undergrounding

City Attorney Report: No report was provided.

SDPD Report: Police representative reported that the priority of police may not match the concerns and priority of residents of Mission Beach. Quality of life issues transients, noise etc., are not crimes and will be considered lower priorities. It was reported that overnight camping is legal, but not in Mission Bay Park.

New Business: A discussion was had regarding MBTC signage.

Adjournment: 8:16.