

Harbor City Neighborhood Council Stakeholder Meeting Minutes
 Harbor City Library
 Wednesday, 6-20-12
 6:00pm

Official Minutes

Board Members	Roll Call/Attendance
Jennifer Corral	Arrived at 6:48
Joyce Fredericks	Present
Tom Houston	Present
Dr. Irene James	Present
Raymond Moser	Present
Paul Murray	Present
Wu-Ping Own	Arrived at 7:26
Grant Reed	Present
Olive Reed	Present
Christopher Sapien	Absent
Steven Rutherford	Present
Cesar Magdaleno	Present
Vacant Board Seat	

Call to Order:

President Olive Reed called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

Roll Call: See Above. A quorum was reached. Approximately 35 stakeholders present.

Report from LAPD: Officer Brian Cook, Sr. Lead Officer for Harbor Gateway South reported for Officer Wilkins:

- Violent crime is down 7% since last year. Property crime is also down.
- Explained Compstat where Officers have to report to their commanding officers on crime in their area.
- Biggest problem in Harbor City is property crime. Commented on the Lock It or Lose It program. The LAPD is outreaching to the community to secure their valuable in order to deter crime.
- There has been a gang feud in the area resulting in some shootings between gang members. A few gang members are in custody. The community needs to be vigilant to what is going on around them.
- Officer Cook explained the difference in calling 911 from a cell phone versus a land phone. Calling 911 on a cell phone will reach the Highway Patrol For emergencies using a cell phone in the city of LA call 213-928-8223.
- Late 90's model Hondas are the most stolen cars.
- White Officer Wilkins is on vacation, Officer Cook's number at the station is 310-726-7924.

- Officer Cook answered questions from stakeholders and also explained the “10 Volt Exercise Program” that the City of LA is considering for debriefing of critical incidences.

Congresswoman’s Office : Mike Aguilera reported:

- No legislative update today.
- Provided contact information. Phone 310-831-1799; Email address: Michael.aguilera@mail.house.gov.
- A House of Representatives Certificate of Commendation was presented to Ceasar Magdaleno for his work on the neighborhood council board.

Assemblymember Warren Furutani’s office: Joy Janes reported on the following:

- The Assembly passed a state budget last Friday and it is on the Governor’s desk.
- Pension reform still on the table.
- Reminder that their office is available to assist citizens with concerns related to state agencies. Contact information: Joy Janes 562-989-2919
- Tom Houston asked about the sidewalk issue and would like an update at the next meeting

Council Office: Gabby Medina, CD15 Area Representative for Harbor City and Wilmington reported on the following:

- The ATSAC system is being implemented and they are currently working on the intersection of Lomita and Vermont and then will work on other locations. This system will improve traffic in the area. Left turn signals are also being installed as part of the system.
- Normont Elementary School’s issue with the cargo company across the street is being investigated by the Council Office. The school has concerns about idling trucks and illegal activities. They are involving the Port and school personnel to find the best solution.
- Pot Hole Day: The Council office is asking the community to report any pot holes in need of repair. They can also be reported on-line.
- Meet the Councilman events will be held each month. He will be in Harbor City in August.
- No idling signs: The Council office is working with the Port in order to install the signs. This program is for the entire state of California. The Port Police is assisting the City in enforcing the laws.
- Illegal dumping on 259th between Belle Porte and Frampton: Sanitation is picking up every Monday.
- The No oversized vehicles signs on Belle Porte are still in the works.

Team Sheriff Racing: Donald Galaz presented information on Project Street Legal. He talked about illegal street racing and what his group does to help this problem. They are looking to operate a temporary racing facility on vacant land and are currently seeking a parcel of land within the Port. They have law enforcement on board and are fully insured. They are requesting support from each neighborhood council to show the public is in favor of the project.

Treasurer's Report:

Steven Rutherford went over the yearly expenses. **Joyce Fredericks made a motion to accept the expenses are presented, seconded by Ray Moser. The motion was approved with 8 yes votes, 0 no votes and 2 abstentions.**

Public Comment: None.

Update from May 23, 2012 Governing Board Meeting: Olive Reed read highlights from the presentation that Del Lago Properties gave at the Governing Board Meeting.

Announcements:

PAB Board at Harbor City Recreation Park Center: Gabriela Medina said there is a new director, Michael Singarelli, at the Center and they are in the process of creating new programs. They need assistance from the community and therefore are creating a PAB (Park Advisory Board) which will meet the second Wednesday of the Month at 6pm at the Park.

Basketball Camp: Every Tuesday they are holding Basketball Camp for the kids at the Harbor City Rec Park. Baseball Season is coming to a close. There will also be a "Movie at the Park event on Friday, June 29th at 8pm.

Approval of Minutes: The May Stakeholder minutes will be approved at the June 27, 2012 Governing Board Meeting.

President's Report:

- Olive read an email from Jill Mohler, grant writer, asking for a letter from the Board to support the request for a grant related to keeping trash out of Machado Lake. The board will vote on the letter of support at the Governing Board Meeting.
- DONE has contacted the HCNC stating that an election or a "selection" has to take place this year. Olive explained the difference between an election and a selection.
- Letters that the Board approved at the last meeting were sent out in support of the adult schools and also in opposition to the elimination of librarian positions at local schools.
- Olive reported to stakeholders about the presentation at the Board Meeting regarding potential funding for Normont Elementary School.

Education Committee: Ray Moser reported that this year school will begin on August 14th. He also commented on the issue of Toshiba having a monopoly on copies for LAUSD. Dr. Irene James commented that there is no more Adult School. There is a possibility that approximately 10 schools will be kept but they will have to service the entire LAUSD area.

Friends of the Library: Leonard Duncan provided a handout with information about the library.

Outreach Committee: Joyce Fredericks reported on items that the Outreach Committee will be discussing at their next meeting. These items include:

- Consider an event that will incorporate all the businesses within Harbor City to show our support.
- Coastal cleanup in September at Ken Malloy.
- HCNC Elections/Selections will be announced.
- Holiday Lights Contest and Joe Orifice Toy Giveaway.
- Projects at Narbonne High School and local elementary schools.
- Public library; Job Fair; Health Fairs.
- Beautification sponsorships for Harbor City.
- Emergency Preparedness.
- Family Skate night event .
- Carnival or craft fair.

Joyce commented that the HCNC area has 7 neighborhoods. She would like to consider dividing any potential funding 7 ways and have a spokesperson for each neighborhood to decide how to use the funding.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina Smith
Admin Asst to HCNC