Minutes of the DRNC Board of Directors and General Meeting
7:15 pm Thursday, November 13, 2014
At the Del Rey Square Senior Living Apartment Complex
11976 Culver Blvd. Del Rey, California, 90066

The public is welcome – no charge.

1. Call to Order and Introduction
President Neumann called the meeting to order at 7:18pm.

2. Director’s Roll Call
Present: Jonathon Neumann, President; Marlene Savage, VP; John Nader, Treasurer; Ellie Bertwell, 2nd VP; Mariana Aguilar, Communications Officer (Arrived at 7:23pm); Mitchell Snary, Parliamentarian; Thom Taylor, Area C; Lorena Alvarado, Area D (Left at 9:40pm); Mika Yagi Kim, Area F; MeiWah Wong, Area H.

Absent: Tanya Eve Franklin, Secretary; Matt Wersinger, Area A; Wesley Farrow, Area E.

3. Government Reports –
   a. Mayor’s Office [Daniel Tamm] – Presented as Item 6, below.
   b. Council District 11 Office [Cecilia Castillo] – Debbie Dyner Harris, District Director
   Ms. Harris announced an upcoming Winter Wonderland on Venice Beach, Friday, Saturdays & Sundays, 10a-7p, from December 5 through January 4. The Councilman is also working with the Winter Shelter Program with the VA and the Armory; they are asking that NCs participate in a donation drive for toiletries. Bertwell asked for the status on the Councilman’s minimum wage proposal; response, she believes it is in committee but will follow-up.
   c. Assemblyman Steven Bradford [Christian Daly] –
   The Assemblyman is termed out and the office is going dark while in transition. Daly thanked everyone for their support. There will be a reception on November 22 at Paradise Restaurant & Bar at 889 W. 190th St., Gardena, at 5 pm. Everyone is invited. RSVP to Angela.Gibson@asm.ca.gov or (310) 412-6400.
   d. Pacific Division – Officer Jacobis.
   They too will be going dark in December as they begin their Holiday Party season. They are soliciting support, door prizes or monetary donations for the Officers’ party. They are also soliciting toys and monetary donations for the childrens party on December 13. (Donations will be needed by December 11, which is the next meeting.) He also provided Santa’s sleigh routes for Monday, December 8. It will be posted on the website.
   e. EmpowerLA/DONE – None presented
   f. Other Dignitaries – None presented

4. Public Comment (the public will have 3 minutes to speak on any subject not on the agenda) –
   a. Ron Kato from MAO Wellness Center announced that the Children’s International Art Fair would take place on November 15, from 1-3p. The award ceremony will be at 2p.

5. Summary of Previous Meeting and Approval of Previous Minutes, available at www.delreync.org/minutes
The Board reviewed the Minutes and discussed the questions raised about the Bylaws. 7c should be amended, last sentence, “pursuant to what was asserted to be in the DRNC bylaws.” Also, MeiWah Wong should be marked as having an “Excused” absence. Bertwell/Kim moved to amend. Motion

Posted by Mariana Aguilar on
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passed 8-0-2 by roll-call vote. (Abstentions: Neumann, Wong) Aguilar/Snary moved to approve the October Minutes as amended. Motion passed 8-0-2 by roll-call vote. (Abstentions: Neumann, Wong)

6. Mayor’s Office –
Daniel Tamm, representing the Mayor’s Office, announced that there would be 200 extra street miles repaved. There will be a full-cost of recovery done for any cutting into the streets by other departments. There will also be an upgrading of Asphalt Plant #1. The Mayor has also announced his Asia Trade Mission: China, S. Korea and Japan. The Mayor and his delegation will be meeting with representatives during November and December. The Mayor’s Office is presently out of the free rain barrels but if you are interested on being the wait-list when they get more, go to lamayor.org/drought and click “rebates and free stuff.” Part of the Mayor’s strategy for ending homelessness in LA is by responding to Veterans’ homelessness. The neighborhood councils can get involved with helping the Veterans connect with jobs, etc. Finally, an agreement has been worked out with the DWP regarding the City’s access to the financial books of the two union trusts funded by Ratepayers. Bertwell asked about the health effects of repaving or the durability of the asphalt; response, a full-review will be taken before they begin. Repairs will be based on need and merit; they will be repaved, not merely slurried.

7. Old Business – None Presented
8. New Business –
   a. Presentation and Consideration of the New townhome development at 4441 Centinela (from the Community Planning, Traffic & Transportation committee with a recommendation for approval subject to conditions…Motion Possible) – Presentation by the Billy Orr, President of Stone Castle Construction & Development on their proposed single family residences at 4441 Centinela Boulevard, just north of Short Avenue. This project is to be located on an R3-1 zoned property. Developer originally presented the project to the Community Planning, Traffic & Transportation committee wherein the committee made suggestions for improving the project. The developer took another look at the project to address those issues and is coming to provide more information on the revised project at the meeting. (No materials available at this time.) Neumann/Aguilar moved to support the development at 4441 Centinela, 4 townhouse units. Motion passed 10-0-0 by roll-call vote.
   b. Motion – “Nominate Del Rey as a Compassionate Neighborhood by committing to practice compassion that leads to many benefits for the neighborhood; physically, mentally, spiritually and socially.” (Presentation by Mika Yagi Kim) - [materials available at http://delreync.org] Kim/Aguilar so moved. Motion passed 10-0-0 by roll-call vote.
   c. Discussion on using the Del Rey Wellbeing Index as the tool to perform the Neighborhood Council’s Quality of Life Assessment in Del Rey (from the Health & Wellness Sub-Committee – Motion Possible). – presentation by Mika Yagi Kim about creating a tool to measure health and well being within the Del Rey Neighborhood [materials available at http://delreync.org] Previously resolved, no further action.
Officer and Director Reports:

- **d. Motion** – “Reconfirmation of the payment of $4,115.37 (originally approved for $5,059.11) for items purchased for the 2014 Del Rey Day from the Outreach section of the budget in the amounts and to the vendors as follows:
  
  i. Permit & Insurance (City of Los Angeles): $95.00, **passed 10-0-0 roll-call**
  
  ii. Entertainment Stage (Click Sound): $450.00, **passed 10-0-0 roll-call**
  
  iii. Kids Activity (Planet Bouncy paid by Jonathon Neumann): $528.00, **passed 9-0-0 roll-call** (Recused: Neumann)
  
  iv. Kids Activity (Katherine King Face painting): $150.00, **passed 10-0-0 roll-call**
  
  v. Kids Activity (Reptile Family): $550.00 – from 2013, not paid last year, **passed 10-0-0 roll-call**
  
  vi. Food (Panda Express): $349.60, **passed 10-0-0 roll-call**
  
  vii. Food (Yogurtland): $250.00, **passed 10-0-0 roll-call**
  
  viii. Food (Pizzarito paid by Jonathon Neumann): $272.50, **passed 9-0-0 roll-call** (Recused: Neumann)
  
  ix. Food (Subway): $395.00, **passed 10-0-0 roll-call**
  
  x. Sanitation (City of Los Angeles Department of Sanitation): $323.19
  
  Westchester Recreation Center: $150.00, **as amended, passed, 10-0-0 roll-call**
  
  xi. Port-a-Potties (United Site Services): $220.81, **passed 10-0-0 roll-call**
  
  xii. Graphic Design (NGM Design): $240.00, **passed 10-0-0 roll-call**
  
  xiii. Supplies and Water (Smart & Final paid by Marlene Savage): $220.40, **passed 9-0-0 roll-call** (Recused: Savage)
  
  xiv. Photocopies (Staples paid by Ellie Bertwell): $70.87, **passed 9-0-0 roll-call** (Recused: Bertwell)

  Nader/Bertwell motioned to revise the Payee and Expenditure for Item “x” as indicated above. The new total is $3,942.18. Motion to amend **passed 10-0-0 by roll-call vote**. Neumann/Aguilar so moved on all. Vote results as noted above.

- **d. Motion** – “Approval of reimbursement of Jonathon Neumann for purchase of food and water previously approved by the Del Rey Neighborhood Council by not funded in time by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment in the amount of $250.00 for Food from LA Vegan, $68.89 for Water, Plates and Napkins from Costco, and $51.00 for Deserts from Angel Maid Bakery used at the August 9, 2014 Del Rey Neighborhood Town Hall meeting presenting the Centinela Street Scape plan and paid from the Event Expense/Food & Refreshments line of the budget.” (Motion by John Nader) – This motion is to provide food, beverages and supplies from local Del Rey businesses (many based on Centinela Avenue) for a community meeting to discuss the Centinela Street Scape plan (receipts are available at [http://delreync.org](http://delreync.org)).

  Nader/Savage so moved on all. Recused: Neumann. Vote results as noted:

  - $250, **passed 9-0-0 roll-call**
  - $68.89, **passed 9-0-0 roll-call**
  - $51.00, **passed 9-0-0 roll-call**

9. **Officer and Director Reports:**

- **a. Treasurer’s Report** – by John Nader
  
  i. **Motion** – Approval of the October Monthly Expenditure Report for Del Rey Neighborhood Council (motion by John Nader) – [materials available at [http://delreync.org](http://delreync.org)] Nader/Neumann so moved. Motion **passed 10-0-0 by roll-call vote**.
  
  ii. Funding Training – Wednesday, November 19, 2014 6-9pm City Hall 20th Floor

Posted by Mariana Aguilar on [http://www.delreync.org](http://www.delreync.org)
b. Area Director Reports –
Wong, Area, H, reported that an old, empty lot is now being developed.
Aguilar, Communications Officer, mentioned that Kim is willing to step up and help with the newsletter. She recommends using Mail Chimp, which is free. Will need to be a future, noticed motion.
c. President’s Report – None

10. Committee Reports:
   a. Budget and Finance Committee – TBD
   b. Community Planning, Traffic & Transportation (Land Use and Planning) – Next Meeting Thursday, November 20th at 6:30pm
      There is one project to be presented: Inglewood/Washington.
   c. Community Services Committee – Next Meeting Wednesday, November 26th at 7:00pm
   d. Education Committee – Next Meeting Wednesday, December 3rd at 7:00pm
   e. Health & Wellness Sub-Committee – Next Meeting Thursday, December 4th at 6:30pm,
      Social at 6, following the Farmer’s Market, will meet at the Yard House. Also, First Walk-the-Talk last Saturday; please support. Second Saturdays of the month, 10 am, at Ballona Bike Path entrance at Centinela. They just engaged with One World and they will offer free yoga at Glenalla Park. The Well-Being Index was passed out; please let your neighbors know it is online. Starting in February, the Committee meetings will be at different locations.
   f. Outreach/Publicity Committee – TBD
      i. Del Rey Day Recap
         Wong reported there were about 550 attendees. It was a great turn-out.
   g. Rules-Ethics-Elections Committee – Monday, November 17, at 7:00pm, at Del Rey Square.
   h. WRAC Land Use Committee –
      Bertwell reported that Allen Bell from the Dept. of Planning spoke at the last meeting. She has also heard that the Marina Marketplace is looking to re-develop, including a 600-unit apartment.

11. Next meeting – Thursday, December 11, 2014, 7:15 p.m.
12. Motion to Adjourn – Neumann/Snary moved to adjourn at 9:55pm.

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