

OPA Minutes – 1-6-2014

Joslyn Park, 633 Kensington Rd, Santa Monica, CA 90405

Jim Lawson, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00.

Members in Attendance (Enough for a quorum)

Jim Lawson, David Auch, Jodi Summers, Andrew Gledhill, Thane Roberts, Jeff Jarow, Sadat Huq, Pauline Bohannon, Judy Abdo, Ferris Gluck, Mark Gorman, Jonah King, Marc Morgenstern, Patricia Godon-Tann, David Tann, Bob Taylor

Noticed Members Absent: Mary Marlow, Evan Meyer, Michele Perrone

INTRODUCTION TO OPA – Jim Lawson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Efforts to save “Chain Reaction.” Tribute to Paul Conrad, Jan. 13 from 6-9 pm,
<http://conradprojects.com>

MOTION by Judy Abdo to support Chain Reaction efforts, Bob Taylor SECOND.
Motion passes, Thane Roberts abstains.

MAIN STREET PARKING OPTIONS

Guest speakers Don Patterson (City Asst. Dir. Finance), Francie Stefan (City Strategic & Transportation Planning Manager), Jason Kligier (City Transportation Planning Associate), & Frank Ching (City Parking Administrator)

City looking for input from OPA on a targeted pilot project to improve parking conditions on 2nd Street.

Discussion held with staff regarding placement of meters on 2nd Street, parking options for Main Street employees, and OPA’s role in working with City to achieve best results.

David Tann MOTION to form committee regarding 2nd Street Parking. Thane Roberts SECOND. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Jeff Jarow, David Tann and volunteer for the committee.

FUTURE MEETING ATTENDEES

Discussion held on benefits of OPA dialogue with Council, City staff.

Discussion held on what OPA constituency is interested in, and how best to learn about community interests through survey(s).

Discussion held about inviting all council members, and whether to invite candidates for 2014 elections.

Future Meeting Committee members: Bob Taylor, Thane Roberts, Mary Marlow, Michele Perrone, Jodi Summers, Marc Morgenstern & Mike Salazar

NEW BOARD MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

Ferris Gluck

Mike Salazar

Judy Abdo

Marc Morgenstern

Mark Gorman

Jonah King

OFFICER ELECTIONS

Vice Presidents- David Auch and Andrew Gledhill. Jodi Summers NOMINATES David and Andrew. Bob Taylor SECOND. David and Andrew ELECTED co-VPs unanimously.

Treasurer- Patty Godon-Tann. Jim Lawson NOMINATES Patty. Jeff Jarow SECOND. Patty ELECTED Treasurer unanimously.

Secretary- Marc Morgenstern. Patty NOMINATES Marc. Jim Lawson SECOND. Marc ELECTED Secretary unanimously.

ACTIONS TAKEN SINCE LAST BOARD MEETING

Patty- \$4,000 neighborhood grant received from City

Jodi discovered identity of mystery administrator of second OPA Facebook page

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 7, 2013 BOARD MEETING

November minutes will be voted on in February.

December minutes were put to a vote. David Auch made a MOTION to approve the December minutes, Jodi Summers SECOND. Minutes APPROVED unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - YEAR-END REPORT/VOLUNTEER TIME FOR CITY GRANT

Patty Godon-Tann circulates the OPA Quarterly Report (Q4), which shows an account balance on 12/31/13 of \$5,345.69, with total income for 2013 of \$8,685.38.

Discussion is held as to how OPA will use funds going forward, including whether to continue to have a parade.

REPORT FROM DECEMBER 2013 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING (MARY MARLOW - NO REPORT)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNICATIONS

Jodi Summers asked for contributions to the newsletter. Deadline is February 12.

Discussion was held about adding a community survey to a future newsletter.

OUTREACH

Jeff Jarow had free tickets to the State of the City Program on January 27 for Board members.

MEMBERSHIP

Sadat Huq reported that after 12 membership payments at the Holiday Party in December, there are currently 261 paid OPA members. There are also 816 OPA email contacts.

PARADE

Jim Lawson brought the board up to date on the Parade Book.

OCEAN PARK ZONING

Judy Abdo reported that there will be an upcoming meeting regarding zoning, and discussion was held regarding a letter to the Planning Commission regarding zoning in Ocean Park.

LINCOLN BLVD. TASK FORCE

David Tann reported that he continues to be in communication with Code Enforcement, and that there are currently 129 cases open on Lincoln Blvd.

BEACH TREES

Andrew Gledhill reported that new City Urban Forester Matthew Wells will be invited to speak to OPA.