

PACIFIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL, INC.
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Crown Point Junior Music Academy

February 19, 2020

6:30 p.m.

Present: Brian White, Greg Daunoras, Denise Friedman, Brian Curry, Karl Rand, Dominic Moscatello, Jane Nobbs, Tony Schlegel, Regina Sinsky, Ron Walker

Absent: Marcella Bothwell, Susan Crowers, Mary Lou Benzel, Dan Bushong, Brianna Jackson, Jay Libs

CALL TO ORDER: 6:35 p.m.

QUORUM ESTABLISHED: Present

AGENDA: Approved

PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Brian White welcome

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Raquel Juarez – US Census Bureau recruitment – asked for volunteers

EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORTS:

CRO Brandon Broaddus of SDPD Northern Division was asked “What is the plan for enforcement of no motorized vehicles on the beach and bay walks?”

He stated that they are still awaiting direction. However, he expects there will be progressive enforcement. This means the first month will be a verbal warning and thereafter will be increasingly strict, leading up to citations.

With respect to Oversize Vehicle Parking violations – he stated that they go out to make citations according to the calls in the queue. They begin dispatching at 2am.

He was asked if the Mayor has signed the scooter ordinance into law. He says it will go into effect 30 days after the second reading, due any week.

He was asked about the bait- bike program and said that in order for the bike trackers to be effective, it is not a good idea to inform the public of when they are implementing it.

He was asked about a motorhome parking in front of homes for the night. He said to dial 619-531-2000 and press the star key. Or, use the Get it Done app.

Sgt. Rick Strobel – San Diego Lifeguards – stated that October-April is Winter rotation.

He told about being on the cliffs today and seeing a 2012 accident victim that they had rescued.

He said they are working 10-hour days.

He told about an accident last Wednesday at 2pm at Santa Clara. It was a very serious surfing injury that occurred in between two lifeguard towers.

He told about a rescue of a golden retriever at OB Dog Beach where the rip tides pulled out the dog and then the owner. They used a special dog oxygen mask and both accident victims made a full recovery.

President's Day began Spring Break crowds. He says they are ramping up.

He told about a smuggling operation at Ski Beach. Several were apprehended.

If you see something strange, call 911.

COMMUNITY UPDATES:

Sara Berns – Discover PB – is looking for Impact Panelists for Community Court. Citations require a 2-hour class and 4 hours of community service.

She mentioned there will be three awards for local businesses and asked us to vote.

3/19 is their Casino Night and Fundraiser – tickets for sale.

Marcie Beckett – Graffiti Clean Up Day – May 2, 2020 for 3 hours in the morning. She stated that first we need to survey the community as asked for volunteers to work an hour or two from March to middle of April to find Graffiti and photograph and mark its location.

Jim Menders will provide maps; or you can use your phone.

graffitisurvey@roadrunner.com

SD Guardian Angels – Sarah Bonesteel and Ryan Luke – requested volunteers. You get free training – 30 hours self-defense and CPR. You can make citizen arrests. It's only 3-4 hours per week.

Karen Zirk spoke up about an offensive post that used the term "riff-raff"

Karl Rand – PB Planning Group – meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 at the Library. They were successful in getting a house remodel in Crown Point to reduce its height from 2 stories to 1 and add parking.

Elections are coming up if anyone is interested in serving on the PBPG.

They provide quarterly updates on the trolley construction.

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

Monica Eslamian – rep for Jennifer Campbell – last month was the State of the District.

Cathie Jolley and Randall's Sandals have been recognized for their contributions to the community.

Annual Point in Time was done through New Break Church to help the unsheltered.

Adding intersection striping at Beryl and Lamont. Let them know if you know of intersections that need this.

Sponsoring Furry Friend Adoptions on Saturday, 2/22 all day on Gaines.

Nextdoor and Facebook have updates on what they are doing in the community.

Marcie Beckett asked what will be done about motorized vehicles on the beach and bay walks. She was told that the 30-day period is up in a few days. There will be increased signage and geofencing down to 3 mph.

Ryan Luke asked about the lights out at Dawes and Everts at Garnet. He was told to use the Get It Done app.

Michaela Valk – rep for Todd Gloria – said she can help with issues with state agencies such as FTB and DMV. She suggested going to the Clairemont DMV on Saturdays after 1pm.

She said the governor is putting focus on homelessness. There is \$200 million available. A new Assembly Bill – 2576 addresses using those funds to help mental illness.

Submit Women of Distinction nominees.

CANDIDATE FOR SAN DIEGO CITY ATTORNEY:

Cory Briggs – SD Attorney Candidate – he wants to change the culture, get politics out of the office and restore confidence.

He wants to form an anti-corruption unit, a quality of life unit and a resident's advisory committee that meets every 4 weeks.

The streetlight surveillance info is owned by General Electric.

101 Ash Street – signed off by Mara Elliott

STVRs are illegal – he will shut them down. Send out cease and desist letters.

Vagrancy – unconstitutional to prosecute. He would enact a State of Emergency to build housing faster.

He will not take money from special interests and lobbyists , or anyone who has business with the city.
He will not endorse or take money from office holders or candidates.

Tom Coat commented on Air BnB lawyers being asked for advice at a City Council meeting. Briggs said Mara Elliott cannot be relied on. Asking advice not illegal.

Even Home Sharing is illegal, but not the issue that needs to be addressed.

He was asked about using the vacant library for homeless. Briggs said funds are necessary to implement that plan.

He was asked why the city can't use County money for it. Briggs said the city needs to be run like the \$4 billion corporation it is, not like Mayberry.

STVRs – City Attorney is not prosecuting. Now she's blaming the Mayor and City Council for not allowing her to. She never needed their permission.

When Briggs was asked how we can fight it, he said Vote for Cory Briggs. And, donate to Cory Briggs.

Eve Anderson asked where the funds would come from to enforce. Briggs said it's just a matter of priority. He referenced an Instacart lawsuit that the City seems to have plenty of money for. He thinks there is approximately \$55 million in the budget.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 78:

Micah Perlin – candidate for State Assembly – Climate Action Now. He grew up in La Jolla and is now a PB resident living on Archer Street. He is an environmentalist, attended UC Berkeley and Princeton. He has worked the last 20 years in non-profits. He knows what the community needs. He will not take money from lobbyists.

Chris Ward – candidate for State Assembly – D3 councilman (Downtown and mid-city), father of two.
Priorities: Homelessness – systems reforms, care approach and programs, front door approaches.
We need mental health and behavioral programs, affordable housing and healthcare.
Climate change – We need a Climate Action Plan for the state of CA.
SD needs to export green technology.

Q&A

STVRs need to be locally enforced and consistent with the Coastal Act.

Micah Perlin says he has an STVR across the street from his own residence and understands the problems. He says STVRs are illegal. He says he would never impede enforcement of the code. He is concerned about the housing crisis and affordability. He says zoning should be handled locally.

Prop 13 – Perlin endorses the split measure. It provides revenue for schools from businesses (commercial and industrial).

Ward also supports Prop 13, and says there are consequences to Prop 13. It will go before voters and it will not affect residential property taxes.

Rose Creek

Ward says the state has neglected it. He says he would hold the state accountable to protect and restore wetlands. He would like to dedicate it as park land and work with UCSD and Kendall-Marsh.

Perlin says he could get state money and work with the city. He says California is the 5th largest economy in the world. He says he will go for the funds set aside from oil companies fees. Oil drilling in California produces multiple billions of dollars.

Why are criminals in our County jails when they should be in prison?

Perlin says it's a misalignment of funds. Many people in jail should be in treatment facilities.

Ward says we are no longer using funds to ship prisoners out of state. There is a reduction in San Diego crime rate. We need new facilities.

Housing Crisis

Ward – build along transit corridors. Do not add to the congestion or the sprawl. He is on the MTS Board to improve transportation and infrastructure.

Perlin is against SB50. We need infrastructure for housing and transportation. He wants a holistic integrated system.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Laurel E – Save the tree at Lebanon and Tourmaline

Eve Anderson – Streets and Sidewalks, Roundabout at Vickie & Foothill, improve traffic, flashing beacon, more red curbing, Foothill & Turquoise – All lights turn red for pedestrians

Laurie Carlock – Friends of Rose Creek need volunteers, this Saturday-guided walk around Rose Creek from 3 – 4:30 starting at MBHS. saverosecreek.org

Brian Curry – election on March 3 – Barbara Bry represents and wants to save City Hall

Ryan Cunningham – running for 52nd District – public finance investment banker, concerned about sewage from Mexico-50 to 70 million gallons flowing in each day, illegal immigration, American wages, and more American students in American universities.

Tom Coat – concern about Foothill Boulevard

ADJOURNMENT:

8:15 p.m.