

# Russian Hill Neighbors Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 1, 2019

Host: Tina Hinckley Co-host: Jovanne Reilly

*THANK YOU TO OUR CO-HOSTS!*

Attending with RSVP (19) - Alice Alioto, Lauren Bohlin, Lorena Calgani, Richard Cardello, Gregg Carr, Phoebe Douglass, Al Greening, Tina Hinckley, Tracy Jaquier, Judy Junghans, Joyce Kucharvy, Matthew Mansfield, Michelle Montz, Mike Moylan, Tina Moylan, Greg Polchow, Lucretia Rauh, Steve Taber Jovanne Reilly

Absent – no RSVP (3), Laurie Petipas, Christine Welland, Tim Covington

Excused with notice (5) – Isabell Alzate, Bob Bluhm, Ian Maddison, Adrienne Rogers, Carol Ann Rogers

## 6:45 Call to Order

### Executive Committee Reports

President/Executive Committee Report: Greg Polchow, Vice President

- Bylaws Review – Steve Taber had some clarification but nothing substantive. Discussion among Board Members regarding the streamlining of membership categories within the Bylaws but allowing sub-categories to be approved by the Board. Additional commentary regarding minimum number of meetings needed. No changes were made.
- **ACTION: Approve By-Laws subject to non-substantive changes made by Steve Taber – MOTION/SECONDED/APPROVED**
- Small Business Recommendations from North Beach Neighbors.
  - NBN provided construction ideas to assist small businesses.
- Annual Meeting
  - Dates, speakers and next steps discussed. Meeting will likely occur on May 7th or 14th. Alice Alioto and Greg Polchow will assist Isabell Alzate in finalizing venue while Tina Moylan finalize speakers. Social Committee will handle the event.

Treasurer's Report: Joyce Kucharvy – *Draft of FY 2020 Budget sent in advance for review and comment.*

- Joyce asked if there were any remaining questions regarding the budget.

**ACTION: Approve FY 2020 Budget - MOTION/SECONDED/APPROVED**

Secretary's Report: Michelle Montz - *Draft for approval sent previously for advance review.*

**ACTION: Approval of March 4, 2018 Meeting Minutes -  
MOTION/SECONDED/APPROVED**

## Committee Reports

- Transportation Report: Steve Taber
  - Central subway planning continuing – a slow process. Fisherman’s Wharf sites are difficult to determine
  - Watching the future development of the fire-damaged building located at Union and Columbus in North Beach, which could be a location used for the Central Subway in exchange for changes in the permitted redevelopment.
  - Ford Bikes – RHN provided feedback, Lauren stated that Local Businesses are very concerned about the negative impact. Steve will contact Ford Bikes for an update.
  - Lombard Street – no updates
- Communications Report: Alice Alioto
  - Newsletter will not be released until the date is finalized for the Annual Meeting.
  - Communications is considering testing the app NextDoor as a tool for RHN going forward.
- Local Business: Lauren Bohlin
  - Kudos to Lauren for success of Local Businesses Mixer – over 40 people attended, which resulted in several new memberships
  - Lauren sent a survey for feedback, of the responses received, additional meetings were proposed, perhaps quarterly, to discuss safety, trash, and get to know one another. Lauren is trying to determine next steps. Other businesses have offered to host.
- DZLU Report: Bob Bluhm – *Submitted written report and letters in advance for review and approval by Board*

**ACTION: To approve Letter addressed to Supervisor Peskin regarding the greening of Broadway at Larkin - MOTION/SECONDED/APPROVED**

**ACTION: To approve Letter to Senator Scott Wiener, et al regarding opposition and suggested clarifications/amendments to SB50 - MOTION/SECONDED/APPROVED**

- Social Report: Isabell Alzate – *Report circulated to Board in advance for review.*
- Families & Children: Adrienne Rogers – *No Report*
- Safety Committee: Tina Hinckley –
  - Tina stated there were 17 members that expressed interest in joining the Safety Committee, all of whom were contacted by her. Only one person expressed interest but could not attend the proposed meeting date. Tina feels need for PR to call attention to the crime issues in RH. Discussion among Board regarding next steps. Tina Hinckley attempting to identify specific call-to-action for RHN to support.
- Membership Report: Ian Maddison – *Email sent in advance asking Board to assist in contacting lapsed members.*

- Neighborhood Enhancement: Phoebe Douglass – *Report sent in advance for review.*
  - March 16 – 9 people volunteered for St. Patrick’s Day Sweep, including 2 Board members
  - April 27 – Earth Day Sweep scheduled and will partner with Polk Street Cole Hardware. Polk Street Merchants Assoc. will provide refreshments.
  - May event has yet to be scheduled.
  - On June 29<sup>th</sup>, a picnic is scheduled in TeePee Park on Hyde Street.
  - Mechanical Street Sweep has been posted on RHN website. To date, there has been little interest. On each block, both sides of the street must agree. Further discussion will continue outside of the Board Meeting.
  - Julie is the new designated DPW Corridor person who is maintaining the top of Lombard Street. Please thank her for her efforts.
- Parks Report: Christine Welland – *No Report*
- Representative to Neighborhood Coalition Organizations Report: Matthew Mansfield  
CSFN is encouraging members to make their voice heard about their initiative about demolitions in the city, but there has not been a formal report issued. The definition of demolition vs. remodels has been loosely defined. The objective is to limit ‘turn and flip’ developers, while allowing homeowners to expand their residences. Until a formal report is used, there is little for RHN to discuss.
- History Report: Al Greening
  - Mentioned fun anecdotes received from people, but he carefully screens them for relevance to Russian Hill
- Nominating Report: Tina Moylan – *Nothing to report*

**Old/Ongoing Business** – None submitted.

**New Business** – None submitted.

Meeting Adjourned 8:05 pm

**Next Board Meeting - MONDAY, May 6,**

**6:00 Dinner; 6:45 Meeting**

**Host: Judy Junghans; Co-host: Tina and Mike Moylan.**