

RUSSIAN HILL NEIGHBORS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

MEETING MINUTES MONDAY 05-01-2017 6:00 PM TO 8:09 PM
HOME OF CAROL ANN ROGERS, VICE PRESIDENT, HOST

Attendance (Per attendance sheet):

Present: Richard Cardello, Lorena Clacagni, Phoebe Douglass, Al Greening, Joyce Kucharvy, Ian Maddison, Laurie Petipas, Jovanne Reilly, Julia Strzesieski, Stephen Taber, Greg Polchow, Lucretia Rauh, Carol Ann Rogers

Absent:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

7:06 PM President's Report -- Carol Ann Rogers, VP for Emily Harrold

In President Emily Harrold's absence, Vice-President Carol Ann Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:06PM, after all had enjoyed a delicious meal of eggplant parmigiana, salad and meringues prepared and hosted by Carol Ann Rogers.

Annual Meeting thanks and debrief: All agreed with Carol Ann that the Annual Meeting was very successful and well attended. The food, SF Art Institute venue, and presentations, including keynote speaker, George Gascon SF DA, were well received. Emily's slides added a very professional touch. Thanks to all who helped, participated and attended.

New DZLU Chair: Longtime DZLU Committee member Bob Bluhm has agreed to be the DZLU Committee Chair. Bob, recently retired, had great experience as a facilities and project manager at UC Berkeley. His knowledge, organizational skills and persistence will serve DZLU and RHN well. Moved, Seconded, Carried unanimously to approve Bob Bluhm as Chair of DZLU.

7:16 PM Secretary's Report -- Richard Cardello for Secretary

With the open position of Secretary, Richard Cardello served as acting Secretary for the May 1, 2017 RHN Board meeting only.

Board Minutes 04-03-2017: Moved, Seconded, Carried to approve the excellent minutes of 04-03-2017 prepared by RoseAnn Frank.

7:17 PM Treasurer's Report -- Ian Maddison, Treasurer

The Treasurer was unable to prepare the financial report prior to this meeting due to the early meeting date; the financial report will be sent to the Board members as soon as possible.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

7:19 PM DZLU – Richard Cardello

The complete DZLU Report was sent previously to Board members via email.

2215 Leavenworth: Personal Wireless Facility Extenet: Appeal of DPW Permit 16WR-0025. There was much discussion as the Board considered the option of

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RHN filing the appeal versus the adjacent property owner filing the appeal. All recognized that adding new equipment to already overburdened wooden poles would further mar our public vistas; this particular installation would greatly diminish the view of Alcatraz from tourist rich Leavenworth Street. The Board determined that it would be more appropriate for the adjacent homeowner to file the appeal. Doing so would also allow more individual Board members to testify at the future hearing under public comment, than could testify during the limited appellant's time. The Board pledged to continue its opposition to such installations, and to encourage Board and general RHN members to testify at the future hearing at the Board of Appeals.

7:39 PM Neighborhood Improvement -- Greg Polchow

Mohammed Nuru, Director SF DPW will attend our next RHN Board Meeting to discuss both the City's new responsibility for trees in the public-right-of-way as well as street sweeping.

The recent FUF (Friends of the Urban Forest) tree-planting program on Russian Hill added several trees to our neighborhood. There is a free tree-planting program for non-residential areas.

Our District 2 and District 3 Supervisors, Mark Farrell and Aaron Peskin, respectively, have endorsed a "Big Sweep".

The next sweep will be on Saturday 06-24-2017.

7:45 PM SOCIAL -- Joyce Kucharvy

RHN will hold a picnic for members on Saturday 06-24-2017 at 12noon. \$100 was approved for hamburgers, etc. Additional details will follow.

A Game Night is being considered and would require someone to take the lead. Please let Joyce know if interested or any ideas (website inquiry).

7:49 PM PARKS – Carol Ann Rogers for Christine and for Judy

Judy is pursuing the "greening" of the sidewalk area adjacent to the Broadway Tunnel; restricted funds exist to complete this long planned project. Also, it was mentioned that possibly such "non-official park" spaces should be reviewed by the Parks Committee.

7:52 COMMUNICATIONS—Carol Ann Rogers for Mike Moylan

The May Eblast will be going out soon.

New formats are in the works for the Eblast and website.

Board members should log into Dropbox to up-date their contact information.

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7:55 PM OTHER

Ian Maddison commented on a construction project at Green and Hyde Streets whose contractor was claiming more contractor street parking than was permitted. Ian called 311 to record the complaint and contacted Beth in District 3 Supervisor Peskin's office. The contractor was fined \$1,000.

Laurie Petipas commented on a remodel project on Union Street, which included the addition of an elevator, and possible unpermitted change from a two unit building to a one unit building. Lee Hepner of District 3 Supervisor Peskin's office interceded and the building seems to have been returned to a two-unit structure.

Carol Ann Rogers suggested that RHN send a letter of appreciation and thanks to Supervisor Peskin, who also spoke at our Annual Meeting, for his help and cooperation.

Joyce Kucharvy mentioned the state of the plantings along the Green Street steps; it is hoped that Christine can look into possible improvements, possibly through the Parks Alliance.

8:09 PM Adjournment

NEXT MEETING

Monday, 06-05-2017 at ???

FUTURE MEETINGS

Monday, ??? at ???

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Respectfully submitted

Richard Cardello

05-08-2017

Please advise any corrections, etc.