



## SANTA MONICA CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION

### Board Minutes

October 10, 2017

**Recorded by:** Marilyn Wexler

**Attending:** Lisa Bittan, Steve Boyers, Melissa Campos, Deborah Castleman, A.C. Chaudrey, Nancy Frey, Amy Hopper, Sharon Kilbride, Mark Landay, Isabelle Mizrahi, Cathy Russell, Natalie Schaefer, Ron Staake, Marilyn Wexler, Cynthia Winter

**Excused:** Wesley Hough, Emile Levisetti, Henry Lichstein, Marise Relfe, Lori Todd, Debbie Warfel, George Wolfberg

**Absent:** Chris Casady, Carrie Frazier, Julie Silliman

**Guests:** Joan Kramer, Matthew Meyer (Pali Post), Sue Pascoe (Pali News), Kevin Wallentine

**Meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by President Marilyn Wexler.**

#### Minutes September 2017.

Minutes from September were deemed approved.

#### Treasurer's Report:

Ron Staake submitted report prior to meeting.

Checking	\$ 5,566.80
Savings	26,636.84
Total	<u>\$ 32,203.64</u>
Grove balance	<u>\$ 5,576.91</u>
Aircraft noise	<u>\$ 5,745.49</u>
Courtyard	<u>\$ 757.90</u>

Currently there are 352 paid/voting members.

**CD-11 Report**— Not in attendance, no report.

**Park Update**—Not in attendance, no report.

**Boca Report**—Joan Kramer reported that BOCA met last night, and that they took the position to support CDP #17-07/LAMC Sec. 63.44 B 14b-Beach Access Ordinance (beach closure between Midnight and 5 AM daily).

**Motion made.** By Mark Landay that SMCCA support CDP #17-07. Seconded by Nancy Frey, passed unanimously. (See attached)

**PPCC.**-Marilyn reported on the September 28 PPCC meeting. Issues discussed that evening involved an update on the Caruso Project and the proposal for a new eldercare development in the Highlands. Lisa Cahill, CD-11, reported on the LA city speed bump application process. She also reported that Ezra Gale, CD-11, would be leaving his position.

### **Committee Reports**

- **Traffic-** No new update.
- **Homelessness Task Force-** Sharon summarized the most recent PPTFH activities. This Saturday volunteers are needed to help with the Temescal Canyon area cleanup. See their website [www.pptfh.org](http://www.pptfh.org).
- **PPCC Report-** No new report.
- **School Report-**Mark reports that the school is still looking into getting additional crossing guards and that pumpkins will be for sale October 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.
- **Aircraft noise-**Debbie not present but submitted the following written report that the FAA is currently evaluating the technical aspects of the Next Gen flight paths. Download the LAX app <http://www.lawa.org/laxanc> and use it to register complaints in real time. Or, fill out the complaint form on the LAWA website <http://www.lawa.org>. You can also call LAX's Noise Complaint hotline at 424.64.NOISE to register a complaint.

### **Old Business.**

- Community survey. Mark and Marilyn are continuing to work on it.

### **New Business.**

- Neighborhood crime. A.C. reported on his most recent robbery at State Beach Liquors. The Board recommended that we ask Officer Mike Moore to our next meeting.
- Amy Hopper requested that the Board look into ADA accessibility to the beach at the two tunnels.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:20**

**Next meeting, November 14.**



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William Jones, Environmental Supervisor II  
Los Angeles City Engineer via email

William.jones@lacity.org

**RE. CDP # 17-07 / LAMC Sec. 63.44 B 14b – Beach Access**

Dear Mr. Jones,

The Santa Monica Canyon Civic Association was incorporated in 1947 and is one of the oldest community organizations in California. One of our core values is protecting our local beach for the enjoyment of all. Illegal camping on the beach has resulted in trash, litter, illegal drugs and intimidation of people who must use the tunnels to walk to the beach. Access to the beach should be available to every person. This does not happen when bad behaving people take over the tunnels and beach paths. Police need an operative code to enforce to clear these people out. SMCCA has supported the hiring of homeless persons to clean and paint the tunnels and we have donated thousands of dollars to support the Palisades Homeless Taskforce contracting with two outreach workers to encourage homeless persons to accept the many available services.

Please let the Coastal Commission know that SMCCA supports a robust law to deter illegal camping on our local beach.

Sincerely,

*Marilyn Wexler*

Marilyn Wexler, President

And, the following SMCCA Board Members:

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*Cynthia Winter*

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*Cathy Russell*

*Debra R. Cash*  
*Janette Mizrahi*  
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*Natalie Schaeffer*  
*Nancy Fry*  
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