

Northridge East Neighborhood Council Board Special Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, February 15, 2017

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by President Glenn Bailey; the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Roland Faucher. There were approximately 35 stakeholders in attendance during the meeting.
2. Roll Call:
Present: Glenn Bailey, Nick Beer, *YJ Draiman (arrived at 7:46 p.m.), Don Dwiggins, Roland Faucher, Diedra Greenaway, *Eric Leiter (arrived at 6:48 p.m.), Stephanie Mills, *Carl Petersen (arrived at 7:23 p.m.), Ari Shapess and Francesca Vega.
Absent: Jeremy Mauritzen (excused), Nadine McNulty (excused), and Joe Seoane (excused).
Determination of Quorum: 8* Board Members initially present (8 required)
Voting Eligibility (Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct Compliance): All Board members present were in full compliance except for Francesca Vega, whose Ethics expiration date has lapsed. Eric Leiter is under age 18 and is not eligible to vote on Funding items. Abstentions act as a “no” vote per the NENC Bylaws.
3. Agenda Setting Meeting February 6, 2017 participants were Bailey, Dwiggins, and Draiman.
4. Approval of Minutes: None were presented for consideration.
5. Treasurer’s Report
 - a. Receipt of the January 2017 Bank Statement was acknowledged by the Board.
 - b. MOTION (Bailey/Dwiggins) to elect Nick Beer as new NENC Treasurer for remainder of 2016-17 term due to resignation of Joe Seoane. Passed 6-0-1 (Abstain: Beer; Ineligible: Vega)

The following four items were considered out of agenda order:

- 8c. MOTION (Faucher/Dwiggins) to co-sponsor/support proposed Group/Sober Living Homes Town Hall, sponsored by Northridge West NC and to be held at the Northridge Recreation Center on Thursday, March 30, 2017, and to authorize up to \$200 for event expense such as printing and refreshments. (Vendors: Office Depot and Smart & Final) Passed 7-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega)
- 8e. MOTION (Bailey/Greenaway) to appoint Joe Seoane as the Emergency Preparedness Liaison, subject to his acceptance. Passed 7-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega)

(*Eric Leiter arrived at 6:48 p.m.)

- 9c. Finance: MOTION (Bailey/Dwiggins) to approve Neighborhood Purposes Grant to Southern California Preparedness Foundation for the Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair to be held Saturday, October 7, 2017 in the amount of \$850. Passed 7-0-0 (Ineligible: Leiter and Vega)
 - 9d. Finance: MOTION as amended (Faucher/Dwiggins) to authorize up to \$300 for Senior Symposium to be held Saturday, May 20, 2017. (Vendor: ONEgeneration) Passed 7-0-0 (Ineligible: Leiter and Vega)
6. Comments/Presentations from Public Officials/Departments/Agencies:
 - LAPD: SLO Efren Corral announced “Coffee with the Captain” on February 23. Since July 1, 2016, crime is up and there have been 170 resident and commercial burglaries and 256 vehicle break-ins. Devonshire’s increase was 34%, the highest in the City. A new vehicle dwelling ordinance (LAMC 85.02) is in effect which regulates locations and times. For the 54 square miles of Devonshire Division, there are typically six patrol vehicles deployed. Several related handouts were distributed.
 - CD 12: Jessie Strobel reported on new street (sidewalk) vending ordinance (Councilmember Englander voted “no”) as well as decriminalization of violators. She reported on several motions, including CF 17-0115 concerning clean energy storage projects and CF 17-0155

concerning reducing reliance on natural gas. A Great Streets business event will be held the following evening (February 16) 6-8 p.m. at Emle's Restaurant.

AD 45: Armine Sargsyan reported on two bills, AB 380 concerned e-signatures on auto contracts and AB 241 concerning privacy of personal information. Assemblymember Dababneh will hold a community meeting February 24 at 3:30 p.m. at the Van Nuys State Building Auditorium.

CSUN: Francesca Vega gave a CSUN update which included announcing the Urban Studies student event on February 23, 6 p.m. at Emle's, the VITA tax preparation service, and working with Metro on transit improvements.

- a. CD 12: Citrus Sunday has been postponed due to Mediterranean Fruit Fly quarantine. Diedra Greenaway will be an additional representative for the NENC.
- b. DONE: NC Civic University 1.0 featured three sessions held during January attended by Ari Shapess who gave a brief report.
- c. DONE: MOTION (Bailey/Shapess) to support DONE's Fiscal Year 2017-18 budget request to fund "NC Emergency Preparedness Program" (Council File likely to be 17-0600). Passed 8-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega)
- d. Northridge Vision February 8 meeting report was given by Glenn Bailey; the next meeting will be held on March 8 at 2:00 p.m.
- e. CSUN: General Plan Amendment for the property at the Plummer Street segment between Darby and Lindley Avenues within the campus of CSUN [CF 16-1294](#) was approved by City Council on January 25, 2017.

(*Carl Petersen arrived at 7:23 p.m.)

(Roland Faucher left at 7:23 p.m.)

- f. CSUN: Proposed hotel on the site of Orange Grove Bistro (Nordhoff St. west of Zelzah Ave.) will be presented to the Board during the next few months.
7. Public comments on non-agenda items were made by Loraine Lundquist (Democratic Party delegate) and Chris Rowe (Measure S).
8. NENC President and Liaison Reports
 - a. President's Report for February 2016: Board member were encouraged to attend VANC's 14th Anniversary Mixer to be held on March 9, 2017, 6:00 p.m. at CBS Studios. NENC is a co-sponsor.
 - b. No appointment to fill vacant Business Owner or Employee seat was made.
 - c. MOTION to co-sponsor/support proposed Group/Sober Living Homes Town Hall, sponsored by Northridge West NC and to be held at the Northridge Recreation Center on Thursday, March 30, 2017, and to authorize up to \$200 for event expense such as printing and refreshments. (Vendors: Office Depot and Smart & Final) was previously considered.
 - d. Possible NENC Bylaws Amendments include lowering stakeholder voting age from 18 to 16 years old; changing Youth seat from appointed to elected position; changing eligibility of Community Interest Stakeholders to only be able to vote for At-Large Stakeholder Board Members. Public comment was made and no action was taken.
 - e. MOTION to appoint Emergency Preparedness Liaison was previously considered.
 - f. Liaison Reports: Film Town Hall was held January 26, 2017; parking for Ari Shapess was not accommodated; Glenn Bailey attended and gave a brief report. Purposeful Aging Town Hall held on January 31, 2107 was attended by Diedra Greenaway who gave a brief report.
9. Committee Reports – Standing: Education (Petersen); Environment (Dwiggins); Executive (Bailey); Finance (Seoane); Outreach (Dwiggins/Bailey); Planning and Land Use (Beer); and Public Safety (Faucher). Ad Hoc: Bylaws (Bailey); Joint CSUN Parking; Goodwill Store.

- a. There were no changes in Committee members requested or considered.
(*YJ Draiman arrived at 7:46 p.m.)
 - b. Executive: MOTION (Bailey/Dwiggins) that the NENC consider opting out of NC Elections and instead use Selection method beginning in 2018. [Reference DONE 1/17/17 report back for [CF 15-1022-S2](#) Online Voting / Improve Experience /Neighborhood Council Elections] Failed 3-5-0 (Yes: Bailey, Dwiggins, Petersen; No: Beer, Draiman, Greenaway, Mills, Shapess; Ineligible: Vega)
 - c. Finance: Recommends MOTION to approve in concept Neighborhood Purposes Grant to Southern California Preparedness Foundation for the Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair to be held Saturday, October 7, 2017 in the amount of \$850 was previously considered.
 - d. Finance: Recommends MOTION to authorize up to \$500 for Senior Symposium to be held Saturday, May 20, 2017. (Vendor: ONEgeneration) was previously considered.
 - e. No other Committee reports were given.
10. New Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions - Community Impact Statements (CIS)
All five Council Files were deferred to the next meeting due to time constraints.
 11. Financial Items: None considered.
 12. Alliance and Coalition Reports: None given.
 13. Upcoming NC or NENC Co-sponsored Events: Regional Budget Day February 25, 2017; VANC Anniversary Mixer March 9, 2017; EmpowerLA Awards March 30, 2017; Congress of Neighborhoods September 9, 2017; 10th Annual Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair October 7, 2017 were noted.
 14. There were no additional public comments nor any requests for reconsideration of any motions.
 15. Proposition M (regulating sale and taxation of marijuana) on March 7, 2017 Ballot: An opportunity was given for pro and con speakers. Samantha Stevens spoke in favor and no one spoke in opposition.
(Francesca Vega left at 8:00 p.m.)
 16. A Mayoral Candidate Forum attended by nine of the eleven candidates was moderated by Nick Beer. Those participating were Paul Amori, YJ Draiman, Diane Harman, David Hernandez, Frantz Pierre, Eric Preven, Dennis Richter, David Saltsburg, and Mitchell Schwartz. After opening statements, all candidates were provided an equal opportunity to answer a several questions from the audience.
(Carl Petersen left at 8:24 p.m.)
 17. The meeting was adjourned at 9:49 p.m. at the conclusion of the Mayoral Candidate Forum.

(The next NENC Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Bailey

APPROVED: 9-0-0 on April 19, 2017