

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

6:07 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT FROM 2015-2016 BOARD (MARKED WITH “X”)

X 1	Dan Dennison	3	Blake Herrschaft	X 6	John Ambert (Chair)
1	[VACANT]	X 4	Craig Klein <i>(arrived 6:10)</i>	X 6	Tom Gawronski
2	[VACANT]	X 4	Andrew Waltz	X 7	Valerie Paz
X 2	Nanci Kelly <i>(arrived late)</i>	X 5	Jane Gawronski	X 7	Georgia Sparkman
X 3	Pete Ruscitti	5	[VACANT]	<i>Numbers indicate district</i>	

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS & APPROVAL

- John proposed two late revisions to the agenda:
 - Adding Information Item #2: Electric vehicle charging stations update
 - Moving Action Items #1 (election results) & Action Item #2 (new officers) before Information Item #2, so the new Board can preside over the rest of the meeting.
- Motion from Jane to approve agenda as revised, seconded by Craig.
 - **Motion passes, 8-0-0.**

MINUTES MODIFICATIONS & APPROVAL

- February 3, 2016 General Meeting
 - Jane: OBTC had not specifically requested “the cameras” as opposed to them – also change Dec or whatever
 - Motion from Jane to approve minutes as amended, seconded by Valerie.
 - **Motion passes 9-0-0.**
- March 2, 2016 General Meeting
 - Jane: OBTC had not specifically requested “the cameras” as opposed to them – also change Dec or whatever
 - Motion from Dan to approve minutes as amended, seconded by Andrew.
 - **Motion passes 9-0-0.**

TREASURER’S REPORT

- Bank balance is \$342.93.
- John reported that the newly seated Board will appoint a new treasurer.

CITY COUNCILMEMBER LORIE ZAPF DISTRICT 2 REPORT – ADRIAN

- The California Coastal Commission (CCC) will consider the “clean up” version (with photos & layout) of the new *OB Community Plan* for final approval on April 16. It is intended to be for “clean up” only, with no substantive changes from CCC’s January approval.
 - Valerie suggested that the version before CCC this month be carefully reviewed to ensure all important provisions have been retained. The Board agreed.
- Zapf’s budget requests relevant to OB:
 - Lifeguard tower funding. John requested a community design process.

- Feasibility study for library expansion. Craig asked about previous studies. Dan clarified that a lot of the old work needs to be updated to reflect new regulations. John requested careful analysis to conserve as much previous work as possible.
- Streetlight repair
- Lifeguard staffing

ASSEMBLY SPEAKER EMERITUS TONI ATKINS DISTRICT REPORT – VICTOR BROWN

- Supports AB 1795 – Greater access to women’s health screenings & treatment for cancer.
- Atkins’s achievements include California Earned Income Tax Credit and several new bills related to human trafficking and the Coastal Commission.
- Saturday 4/9 10am – New Assembly Speaker Weber & Atkins conducting interactive budget simulation educational at UCSD.
- Victor presented certificates of appreciation to all Board members.

MAYORAL CANDIDATE ED HARRIS

- Former Marine, San Diego Lifeguard, and interim Councilmember representing District 2.
- Criticized public safety priorities under Mayor Faulconer. Criticized lots of other stuff.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

- *George Murphy* – Saturday 9/10 7-9pm is the 100th anniversary celebration for OB Library. Party, silent auction, community group representation, etc.
- *William Neal* – Concerned about recent project at 1721 Ocean Front (between Del Monte & Santa Cruz). Pete offered to help research the project offline.
- *William Corwin* – Concerned about frequent major trimming of street trees on Sunset Cliffs Blvd in front of Rancho’s/Pepe’s/Newbreak commercial property, reportedly for better visibility of businesses. Encouraged property manager to grow trees taller so obstructive area is above signs.
 - Valerie suggested the Board consider the issue as a formal information or action item at a later meeting.
 - Georgia pointed out that trees in the public right-of-way require permits for most work. She agreed to work with William to investigate the situation.
- *Vivian McArdle* – Concerned about recent shootings of OB parrots.
 - Monday 4/11 6-8pm – Public forum at OB Rec Center to educate community on OB birds, including parrots.
 - Also concerned about removal of trees in OB because they serve as bird habitat.
- *Lori Saldaña* – Running for mayor. Served in state legislature for 16 years.

ACTION ITEM #1: CERTIFICATION OF 2016 GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS

- John recapped the election results as reported by the Election Committee in March:
 - District 4
 - Craig Klein – 4 votes
 - Marissa Spata – 4 votes
 - District 5
 - Jane Gawronski – 2 votes
 - District 6
 - John Ambert – 15 votes

- John reported that City staff recommended adjudicating the District 4 tie by seating one candidate to District 4 and appointing the other candidate to a vacant seat in another district. Per **Attachment 1**, City staff interprets this to be in conformance with Board bylaws.
- John recommended keeping Craig in District 4 as he has served since 2015, and appointing Marissa to either District 1 or 2, as no one has announced intention to seek those seats.
 - Marissa said she preferred District 1.
- Motion from John to certify the election results as presented, seconded by Craig.
 - **Motion passes, 10-0-0.**
- Motion from John to adjudicate the District 4 tie by awarding Craig the District 4 seat and appointing Marissa to the vacancy in District 1, seconded by Jane.
 - **Motion passes, 10-0-0.**
- New Board members seated (Marissa) and outgoing members depart (Dan, Valerie, Pete).

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2	[VACANT]	X 4	Andrew Waltz	7	[VACANT]
X 2	Nanci Kelly	X 5	Jane Gawronski	X 7	Georgia Sparkman
3	[VACANT]	5	[VACANT]	<i>Numbers indicate district</i>	

ACTION ITEM #2: APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS & LIAISONS FOR 2016-2017 TERM

- With no competing nominations for any position, after discussion the Board members made the following nominations:
 - Secretary: [None]
 - Treasurer: Craig
 - Vice Chair: Blake
 - Chair: John
- Motion from John to approve nominations above, seconded by Georgia.
 - **Motion passes, 8-0-0.**
- The Board then discussed and sought volunteers for community liaison positions.
- Motion from John to appoint community liaisons as detailed in **Attachment #2**.
 - **Motion passes, 8-0-0.**

INFORMATION ITEM #2: ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS

- Jacques Chriazi presented information on proposed electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in the OB pier parking lot. Proposal is for 2 EV spaces:
 - 1 general-purpose space for EV only, fitted with a dual EV charger that will allow the adjacent car (not restricted to EVs) to charge.
 - 1 space for disabled only, with EV charging station but also open to non-EV disabled.
- The Board discussed their general support of EV infrastructure in OB.

ACTION ITEM #3: 4620 DEL MAR AVE (PTS #432222)

- Motion to approve the project as presented.
 - **Motion passes, 7-1-0.**
 - Against: Tom (not enough information)

ADJOURNED

Time not recorded



OB Planning Board - Election Tie

McCullough, Betsy <BMcCullough@sandiego.gov>

Mon, Mar 7, 2016 at 8:39 AM

To: Pete Ruscitti, OB Planning Board

Cc: John Ambert, Blake Herrschaft, "Kempton, Tony" <KemptonT@sandiego.gov>, "Turgeon, Bernard" <BTurgeon@sandiego.gov>

Hi Pete

I'm happy to help as long as I'm here at the city [through the end of March] but in the future you'll need to ask Tony Kempton.

So, you may not have procedures, but it is common practice among cpgs to either have a runoff or flip a coin [yes, really].

I took a quick glance at Article IV of your bylaws and didn't see a restriction on appointments – the Article III, Section 2 restriction was being an 'eligible member of the community', not necessarily from that district to be appointed. I think you'd be okay. And yes, I would not ask someone to get more signatures. As I mentioned in the email I just sent, that is an unusual step that I encourage you to reconsider: I do not see it mentioned in the bylaws in filling a vacancy.

Hope this helps. Let me know if you have more questions. Thx, Betsy

From: Pete Ruscitti, OB Planning Board
Sent: Thursday, March 03, 2016 12:38 PM
To: McCullough, Betsy <BMcCullough@sandiego.gov>
Cc: John Ambert; Blake Herrschaft
Subject: OB Planning Board - Election Tie

Betsy,

Not sure if you're the right person for this inquiry, so please forward as needed.

Last night we had the rare occurrence of a tie in our District 4 race, in which 2 candidates both received 4 votes each. We couldn't find any procedure for dealing with ties, neither in our bylaws nor in Council Policy 600-24.

How can we resolve this?

If possible, we would like to award the District 4 seat to one candidate, and then appoint the other candidate to 1 of the 4 vacant seats in other districts. This would allow for maximum participation and help us fill our vacancies.

However, both candidates obtained their 35 signatures from District 4. We're concerned that our bylaws may prohibit us from appointing one of these candidates to another district. Conversely, we fear that asking one of the candidates to gather 35 new signatures from a different district would likely discourage them from joining the Board.

Appreciate any help you can provide!

Thanks again,

Pete

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Pete Ruscitti / Ocean Beach Planning Board