



**MINUTES**  
**SBCA April 6, 2017 Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of allegiance and Introductions.

<b><u>Roll call of directors:</u></b>	Mike Van Voorhis, President	Absent
	Tony Nobles, Vice-President	Absent
	Carolyn Caslin, Treasurer	Absent
	Tim McCormack, Secretary	Present
	Greg Griffin, Director	Present
	Kevin Paulson, Director	Present
	Rob Driscoll	Present

**Minutes:**

The minutes from the March 2017 meeting were accepted.

**Treasurers Report:**

Rob Driscoll presented the treasurer's report. Current Balance is \$35,811.82, This includes \$10,340.92 in the checking account and the savings account, also known as the "roof account" has a current balance of

\$25,470.90. **Correspondence:**

No correspondence was reviewed.

**Public Comments**

- Holly Schlange asked about the homeless encampment at the Warner roundabout between Sunset Beach and Bolsa Chica state beach. Lt Scott Winks was in attendance at the meeting. He stated that he will talk with the state beach administration regarding the issue and also advised anyone with questions regarding homeless to email him directly at [swinks@hbpd.org](mailto:swinks@hbpd.org).
- Frances Small announced that the Sunset Beach Art Festival quilt tickets will be available to purchase at the Sunset Beach Post Office when Las Damas representatives are present.
- Greg Griffin gave kudos to Mr and Mrs Kevin Paulson for their donation of a new custom made Sunset Beach sign inside the community center.
- Greg Griffin spoke about the new generator, located on the greenbelt at Broadway, that has been installed by the Sunset Beach Sanitary District.

**Updates**

So far there are five banners installed along the greenbelt. An additional \$700 needs to be appropriated to light pole banners in order to have 10 up by Mother's Day. Greg Griffin made a motion and Tim McCormack seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Tony Nobles is donating all of the installation expenses and his associate, Rick, is installing the banners on the light posts.

**Guest Speaker**

Dr. Chris Lowe from the CSULB SHARK LAB gave an update on the great white sharks. Eric Dieterman, the Marine Safety Lieutenant from the City of Huntington Beach Fire Department Marine Safety Division also spoke. Lt Dieterman gave statistics on beach attendance, medical emergencies, ocean rescues, etc, while Dr Lowe said that there have been a number of shark closures recently.

If they see a sighting of a shark that is 8feet or larger, they will do a closing. Huntington Beach police work with his unit to confirm shark sightings using the helicopter. Dr. Lowe gave a fascinating demonstration of the acoustic receivers used to track tagged sharks. In 2015, Dr. Lowe's crew tagged 14 baby white sharks off Sunset Beach. For forty days, the sharks went back and forth in a ½ mile stretch of Sunset Beach. Then they split up and go either north or south. When the water gets below 60, the sharks typically go south to Baja. However because the water was warmer due to El Nino, the sharks stayed here yearround. Tracking shows

that the sharks born in Sunset Beach have a range from Newport up to Santa Monica. That's their territory. In May, female sharks come in to birth their offspring. When the baby sharks are born, they are 4.5 to 5.5 feet long. They stay generally in the shallow water. They like to eat stingrays. The good news is, sting ray attacks are down by a huge order of magnitude. The bad news....we have our own shiver of great white sharks. Lt. Dieterman reported marine safety statistics: 2016 Sunset Beach Stingray Injuries were 190 compared with over 400 stingray injuries the previous year. In 2016, Sunset Beach Lifeguard patrols had 67 Ocean rescues and almost 3,000 preventative Actions. He also spoke about Kite Surfing. He said that the Sunset Beach area Kite Board location and rotation schedule has been a big success.

**Lifeguard Contact Numbers: Emergency 911; Non Emergency 714-536-5285; Business 714-536-5281.**

**Dr Lowe stated that the state and federal governments have withdrawn funding. Donations are tax deductible and welcome. Contact him at [chris.lowe@csulb.edu](mailto:chris.lowe@csulb.edu)**

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Annual Sunset Beach Clean Up Day!** 8am till 1pm on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> This is a great opportunity to get rid of NON HAZARDOUS waste. Two 30' trash receptacles will be located at the Sunset Beach Community Center. Please no Televisions, computer monitors, fluorescent tubes, prescriptions, batteries, automotive fluids, paints or household cleaning products.

**50<sup>th</sup> Annual Mothers Day Art Gallery Reception** will be held on Friday, May 12 at 6:00pm. All are welcome to attend.

**50<sup>th</sup> Annual Mothers Day Art Festival** will be held on Saturday, May 13 & Sunday, May 14

With no other business coming before the directors the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 PM.  
Next meeting is scheduled for May 4, 2017 at 7:30pm at the Sunset Beach Nobles Family Community Center.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tim McCormack, Secretary