

Sunset Beach Community Association Minutes of the Meeting, 10/3/2024

Meeting was held at the Sunset Beach Nobles Family Community Center (16861 12th St. Sunset Beach)

Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Kevin Paulson, President

In attendance: Brandi Bigler present

Tom Ellis present
Dawn McCormack present
Tony Nobles present
Paul Mueller present
Denise Paulson present
Kevin Paulson present

Flag Salute led by Kevin Paulson Roll Call & Introductions

Kevin gave the Treasurer's report:

Sept. Deposits: \$0

• Sept. Expenses: \$5,918.28 (includes \$5,500 for paint & floor repair plus

supplies, utilities & website maintenance

• Ending Balance: \$20,819.14

• In addition, the SBCA retains a reserve account with a current balance of \$40,302.01

Board Comments:

Dawn McCormack spoke about the increasing frequency of coyote sightings during daytime hours, She saw a coyote on the greenbelt at around 6pm on Labor Day. At the time, the greenbelt was filled with beach goers packing up to go home. The coyotee ran past several small children and families, was startled by Dawn's (leashed) dog howling at it, and jumped up on a car. Then it jumped off the car and ran out on the beach, which was still filled with holiday visitors. Natalie Moeser suggested logging onto MYHB app and reporting coyote sightings. However, no action is being taken unless a coyote attacks, Gayle Mueller Winnen mentioned that Surfside has hired a Coyote trapper. It's probable that the coyotes we see in Sunset are the same ones seen in Surfside and their trapper may take care of our problem.

Public Comments:

Cindy Barrios, candidate for School Board, was in the audience and said that she is running for Huntington Beach City School District Board of Trustees. She asked if the Halloween party would be able to accommodate an influx of children, and when assured that it would, said she would get the word out.

Huntington Beach Council Member Natalie Moeser spoke. She was elected in 2020, and is a frequent attendee at SBCA meetings. She said that she loves coming to our Sunset Beach Community meetings because the meetings seem to her to be an example of how local communities should interact. Sometimes there are heated topics, but discourse is always civil and at the end of the meeting, we remember that we are neighbors and members of the same community. She also spoke about the upcoming election and measures that are on the ballot. Natalie mentioned that she has observed the topics that appear most important to our residents include coyotes, parking, speeding, and the homeless on our greenbelt. Other items Natalie discussed:

- HB continues to work with CalTrans to try to lower speed limits on PCH going through Sunset Beach.
- In a closed meeting, Assistant City Manager Travis Hopkins was unanimously selected as Acting City Manager. He has been assistant city manager for a number of years and will bring stability and predictability to the work of the city government.
- Ballot measure U is the only local ballot measure on the ballot. Council member Moeser said that this measure is being portrayed as an environmental measure she says it is a property measure. The purpose of the measure is to ensure that if the city changes zoning in the future, for example, to add a certified housing element, approval of the zoning change will go to the voters rather than council being able to vote. Natalie stated that this could hamstring the council and make them unable to move forward with any new development. At some point, without a certified housing element, Huntington Beach could lose eligibility for grants and funding from the state. She recommends a "no" vote.
- Karen Rauh asked about the effort to privatize the library. Natalie explained that HB
 Council put out a request for proposals. They received one bidder, who has since pulled
 out due to adverse publicity. Natalie opposes the effort.
- There was discussion around the appointed book review committee Natalie stated that it is intended to take away the librarians decision making ability. Each council member can appoint 3 members to the 21 member committee. She will not appoint any members because she disagrees with the premise of a book review committee.
- Natalie finished speaking by saying that she feels that the purpose of the council is three fold – to address Infrastructure, Quality of Life, and Public Safety.

HB Police Lt. Roman Altenbach spoke. He had no updates, and there were no questions from the audience.

Motion was made to install WIFI at the Sunset Beach Nobles Family Community Center. Kevin Paulson moved, and Tony Nobles Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Dawn McCormack stated that the Sunset Beach Local Coastal Plan Advisory Committee needs new members. Tony Nobles spoke about their mission. Bernard Hartmann, from the Sunset Beach Sanitary District, and Gail Bryce volunteered to be on the committee. Additional volunteers are needed. If interested, please contact Tim McCormack at tdmccorm@aol.com. Members must be residents of Sunset Beach.

Brandi Bigler discussed the upcoming Sunset Beach Community Association Quarterly Beach Clean Up sponsored by Christine Lane. Residents and all interested should meet at 9am on Saturday, October 5 at Broadway & South Pacific. After an hour or so of Clean up, everyone will gather for coffee and donuts.

Christine Lane sponsored and sent out our community bulletin with the annual update from SBCA president Kevin Paulson and the Election Ballot for SBCA Board of Directors. Incumbents Brandi Bigler, Dawn McCormack and Tony Nobles are running for office as are long term residents Nadeen Antoci and Barbara D'Angelo. Registered voters in Sunset Beach are encouraged to vote for 3 of the candidates. Ballots must be returned by November 30, 2024 to the SBCA, PO Box 215, Sunset Beach, CA 90742. If for some reason you do not receive a ballot but are registered to vote in Sunset Beach (90742) then contact SBCA Board of Directors Secretary Dawn McCormack or Christine Lane and they will get you a ballot.

Tony Nobles spoke about the upcoming Halloween Party to be held at the Sunset Beach Community Center. The Theme is Haunted Fairy Tales. The Sunset Beach Community Halloween Event is jointly sponsored by the Nobles Family, The SBCA and Las Damas. It will be held from 5pm till 9pm on Saturday October 26.

- Free Admission
- Games, Bounce House & Fun Photo Ops
- Free Pumpkin Patch
- Tons of FUN!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! This is a fantastic Community Event and we need tons of VOLUNTEERS! To volunteer, please contact Tony at professornobles@yahoo.com or call him at 714-916-6377. Here are the dates when volunteers are needed:

- SET UP: Saturday, Oct 12, Sunday, Oct 13, Saturday, Oct 19 & Sunday, October 20
 - Hang Banners, Set Up Props, Arrange Costumes, Pull Cable, Set Up Lights and LAUGH
- PARTY: Saturday, October 26
 - Actors to play characters, Crossing Guides, Pumpkin Patch Volunteers, Bounce House Volunteers, Volunteers to hand out Pizza
- BREAKDOWN: Sunday, October 27 thru Wednesday, October 30

Motion to close the meeting was made by Dawn McCormack, seconded by Kevin Paulson at 8:45. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Dawn McCormack, Secretary

UPCOMING SUNSET BEACH EVENTS:

OCTOBER 5 BEACH CLEANUP

OCTOBER 26 HALLOWEEN PARTY – HAUNTED FAIRYTALES NOVEMBER 23 BATTLE OF THE BANDS benefitting the SBCA