

North Beach Neighbors Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Telegraph Hill Center, San Francisco July 8, 2013

Call to Order

President Micki Jones called to order the NBN meeting at 6:39 p.m. The minutes of the April, May, and June were approved.

Roll Call

The following Board members were present: Micki Jones, Beth Allen, Pat Darden, Genevieve Mansfield, Lindsay Walker, Ted Camesano, Susan McCullough, and Debi Marchi. *Guests:* Lynn Jefferson and Dee Whalen.

<u>Lifetime Membership for Dee Whalen</u>. Micki awarded Dee Whalen a lifetime membership for her vears of dedication to NBN.

Action: Dee made the motion that she loved both NBN and its Board.

<u>Update on Hyde Street Reservoir</u>. Lynn Jefferson updated NBN regarding the Francisco Reservoir Working Group recent efforts to covert the Francisco Reservoir (Hyde Street Reservoir) site into a public open space and distributed an article where NBN was mentioned. 450Architect, Richard Parker, the Academy of Art's University's Master of Landscape Architecture program, and David Crimmins of RHN submitted design concepts that were presented to Mark Farrell. A fundraising committee has been started to raise between \$8—\$10 million for the renovation of the land. Also, an endowment that will fund the maintenance costs is needed. It could be beneficial for the City because of its open space.

Action: Micki asked that Lynn send updated emails.

Officer and Committee Updates

<u>Treasurer's Report.</u> Treasurer Beth Allen presented the Treasurer's Report. Checking \$1,939.86, CD \$3,372.12, Savings \$11,203.50. As for the non-existence of a trust document, there is no one known to return the money.

Action: NBN decided to donate the trust document monies to a good cause but are undecided where to donate it. Also, it was approved that Beth investigate why we cannot be a tax deductible non-profit, 501(c)3.

<u>Planning and Zoning</u> reported by Committee Chair, Sue McCullough. A few recent requests were "over-the-counter" issues, such as replacing a back staircase, replacing windows, and adding a window to a storage shed. All requests were approved. The other issue was 8 Washington; In the past, NBN was initially in favor of the project. The objection to the project involves its height limit. Presently, NBN is unsure of what position they should take going forward.

Action: It was approved that NBN remain neutral on the issue.

Membership Committee. Trish Herman, Membership Chair, was absent to present the Membership Report. But from the data from the Treasurer's Report: Number of renewals: 1, number of new members: 2. Her formal report will be presented next month.

Action: Micki emphasized that membership should be paid by *PayPal* instead of cash or check.

Old Business

<u>Central Subway Construction in North Beach</u>. Micki is unsure about the construction in North Beach. When she tried to find out about updates, she wasn't given any real data on why the MTA hasn't broken ground.

<u>Secretary of State Form.</u> Micki and Beth decided to have contact information corrected. Beth brought up the that a Statement of Information should be filed every 2 years' time so that current information is available. Three board members' contact information is needed.

Action: Beth needs name and address of three Board members. Micki's, Debi's and Lindsay's names and contact information were given. Sue is an additional name.

New Business

<u>Website Development</u>. Free of charge, Darrin Swan created a website. Sue brought up that one of the things NBN needs is Darrin's expertise regarding our email address. He, however, wants to use MailChimp to send out emails. He also wants to create a focus subcommittee group to test the new website. The password was finally obtained after a month of trying to get it and now the new website can be uploaded.

Action: Beth, Ted, Debi, Lindsay, and Micki formed a subcommittee and volunteered to test the site at a test lab, Lindsay's workplace.

<u>Newsletter/Volunteers</u>. With a renovated website, the need to create a newsletter is apparent. **Action**: Micki asked members, especially if they like to write and are creative, to think about a newsletter for North Beach Neighbors.

Recent Criminal Activity in NB. The recent criminal activity regarding 901 Columbus Street was discussed. Micki believes that negative vibes come from the District Attorney's office regarding misdemeanors, so nothing will be done regarding criminal activities in the neighborhood.

Action: Lindsay will draft a letter for review of criminal activities based on experiences and Micki will forward it onto Melissa Rodriguez.

<u>T-Shirts/Sweatshirts</u>. T-shirts were discussed. The Board believed that they could be purchased for about \$6 each. The idea of giving one away with a membership was brought up.

<u>CPR classes for NBN members in August</u>. Micki will teach Cardio Pulmonary Recitation (CPR) to NBN members. At a time TBD, she will teach nine people @ about \$15/person during a weeknight. The course is hands only.

Adjournment

Micki Jones adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m. The next meeting will be held on August 12, 2013.

Submitted by:

Debra Marchi, Secretary