



HACIENDA HEIGHTS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

January 28, 2019

LOCATION: Hacienda La Puente Unified School District at 15959 E. Gale Avenue in the City of Industry, CA. 91716-0002.

- 1 MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Time is 7:00 P.M. and HHIA meeting is held in the District Conference Room chaired by Mr. Mike Williams, President.
- 2 PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE:** Pledge led by Martin Medrano
- 3 ROLL CALL:** Ted Chang, Scott Martin, Lucy Pedregon, David Salcedo, Joan Licari, Jennifer Kelley, Mike Williams, Jim Kleinpell, Joan Snyder, Jeffrey Lin.

ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS: Shou Jen Kuo, Sandy Keat

- 4 MEETING MINUTES:** A motion made to approve the minutes for Board meeting December 17, 2018 by Scott Martin as presented, second by Lucy Pedregon . No objections, motion carried.
- 5 TREASURER'S REPORT:** Joan Synder reported HHIA holds an account at US Bank located at 2040 So. Hacienda Boulevard in Hacienda Heights, CA. 91745. The December 2018 report of Income/Deposits total to the amount of \$130.61 while the amount of expenses total to \$262.81 concluding to a balance of \$14,443.37. For itemization of details refer to Website: www.hhia.net

(From Addendum) Consent Item for January 28, 2019

- a. Check for 2019 Annual Meeting/ Dinner entertainment, paid to Robert Colvin, in the amount of \$100.**
 - b. Check for Flowers for 2019 Annual Meeting/ Dinner- as table décor in the amount of \$143.**
- 6 PUBLIC SAFETY & LAW ENFORCEMENT UPDATES:**
- a. California Highway Patrol** –Officer Jeremy Tolen was absent. Residents that would like to file a complaint can email 550trafficcomplaints@chp.ca.gov
 - b. Los Angeles Sheriff Department** – Deputy Jose Ruano reports the Sheriff Department is preparing for the Chinese New Year Celebrations that takes place at the Hsi Lai Temple. The

Sheriff Department and CHP coordinate to control the increase in traffic to the area. Residents be advised to expect heavy traffic and congestion the first two days of this celebration on February 5 and 6. In regards to this month's stats Residential Burglaries are significantly down for the month. 5 residential burglaries for the month of January compared to 23 last year. Deputy Ruano is still attending Neighborhood Watch groups throughout the community. One Burglary by Avocado Crest and the sheriff department was able to arrest 3 suspects. There has been a spike in vehicle burglaries near Azusa Ave and Colima Rd by the Puente Hills mall and the Bixby Hacienda Plaza. There will be some operations performed in regards to that activity. There have been 3 assaults reported this month all related to domestic issues. There was an attempted robbery with a weapon at 85 degrees Bakery on Azusa Ave and Colima Rd. Suspect got away. In regards to new rules for 2019 there are now requirements for anyone arrested for Drunk Driving and charged with a DUI will have to have a device placed in their vehicle to prevent drunk driving. In other news, The Sheriff Department is proud of a good arrest made recently on Olympic Ave and Clark Ave that resulted in taking two suspects into custody that was in possession of 2 assaults riffles, 2 handguns and illegal drugs. Following up on a question, Deputy Ruano addressed there was a John Doe that appeared to be homeless that passed away at the Hacienda Heights Community Center. Homicide division was called to investigate and it was determined the person died due to an accident from a fall.

HHIA welcomes our new Captain for the Industry Sheriff station is Captain Bobby Wyche!

- c. **Mountains & Recreation & Conservation Authority** – Ranger Francine Godoy reports the trails have been busy with a lot of activity since the new year. In January there have been two rescue assists. One rescue with a hiker that got caught on the side of the cliff after trying to retrieve personal articles that had fallen over the side on Skyline Dr. The rescue of that hiker was conducted by LA County Fire department. The other assist was a gentleman and his motorcycle that went 8 feet over the side of a cliff when the motorcyclist was trying to take a selfie picture. The Rangers helped assist both retrieve the gentleman and his motorcycle. As a reminder all trails close at sunset. Ranger Godoy invites all to attend a guided hike starting at the Hacienda Trailhead located on Orange Grove Ave and Seventh Ave February 16 Saturday at 9 am. There will be a Spanish speaking docent as well. For more information about the Hacienda Heights Trailhead log on to www.habitatauthority.org or call (562) 945-9003.

7 PRESENTATION:

- a. **2018 President Mike Williams presented the Board of Directors with a comprehensive 2019 updated Director's book to be passed to their successor at the end of their term.**
- b. **Surprise Toast to 2018 HHIA President Mike Williams and presentation of personalized scroll.**

The Board of Directors Surprised Mike Williams with a toast. Sparkling Apple cider was

distributed to all attending audience members and Directors of the Board. Vice President Scott Martin asked all to raise their glass to toast and thank Mike Williams for the wonderful contribution he has made as a Board member and President of HHIA. Board member Lucy Pedregon, on behalf of all the Board of Director, presented Mr. Williams with a beautiful scroll personalize documenting his recent years served on the Board. Special thanks to Lucy Pedregon, Ryan Kelley, Jennifer Kelley and Randy Black for execution of this surprise.

8 COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES:

- a. **Representative 4th Supervisorial District** - Field Deputy Lauren Yokomizo reports recently the Annual Homeless count took place in Hacienda Heights and the numbers will be reported later this year. This count will help determine the needs for the homeless in LA County. Measure H is helping to fund many of the new housing units for homeless in Long Beach and Downey. There is a new internet portal LA- HOP <https://www.lahsa.org/portal/apps/la-hop/> that you can go on to request outreach workers to follow up and offer services to homeless persons. Homelessness is a top priority for Supervisor Janice Hahn. Ms. Yokomizo addressed Board member David Salcedo with his concern for the “Bird” brand motorized scooters popping up around Hacienda Heights. Many commercial motorized scooters being dropped off in front of schools and parks. Ms. Yokomizo advised that this new scooter service is not permitted in unincorporated areas of LA County. If you see these scooters report them to the supervisors office or Public Works and the proper authorities will be called to get them removed.
- b. **Representative 39th Congressional District** – Field Deputy Martin Medrano introduced himself as the representative for our newly elected Congressman Gil Cisernos. The first town Hall for our congressman will be held in Hacienda Heights at Los Altos High School Saturday February 2 at 3pm. You will need to register to attend this town hall.
- c. **Representative 57th State Assembly District** - Field Deputy Ruby Duenas announces our Majority Leader Ian Calderon will be hosting “Woman of the Year“ to celebrate woman’s history month to recognize amazing women in our 57th state assembly district. There are applications available to be filed out and deadlines are February 22. The office of Majority Leader Ian Calderon will be hosting community hours February 12 from 5pm-7pm at the La Puente Community Center. Saturday February 2 at Rio Hondo Café at Rio Hondo College FASA event to help students with filling out financial aid forms. There will also be 4 dates in the Hacienda-La Puente School District FASA event you can attend as well. For more information about upcoming event host by our 57th state assembly majority leader visit the website <https://a57.asmdc.org/>.
- d. **Representative 32nd State Senate District** - Field Deputy Kyle Miller introduced himself as the representative for our newly elected Senator Bob Archuleta. Mr. Miller is the former Major of La Habra Heights. Mr. Miller thanked HHIA Board members Scott Martin and Lucy Pedregon for attending the swearing in ceremony for Senator Archuleta that was attended by approximately 400 people. March 1 the Senator plans to move to his permanent office in

Norwalk to be centralized to the area he represents. The Senator was recently named the Chair of the Veterans Committee. To contact our representative Field Deputy Kyle Miller you can reach him by email Kyle.miller@scn.ca.gov.

- e. **Representative Mt. San Antonio College** – No named Representative
- f. **Hacienda Heights Librarian** - Amy Boteilho announced the Library will be involved in reaching out to get the 2020 Census completed. Tax forms have changed and they are now available at the Library. There will be VITA (a volunteer organization) will be available to assist with taxes. There are 3 programs for the month of February Ms. Boteilho want to highlight. Two programs for Black history month are African Dance Rhythms on Saturday February 2 at 3 pm and on February 23 screening of a PBS documentary “Flyers in Search of a Dream” history of African American pilots. On February 9 there will be a music program to celebrate the Chinese New Year “Sounds of China”. Libraries will be closed on February 18 for Presidents day. Just to keep us informed unfortunately December two more windows have been shattered and replaced by vandals. There are now cameras installed and there was an image captured of the suspect that shattered the last window. For more information on the library please go on the website for details <http://lacountylibrary.org/lib/haciendahts/>.
- g. **Hacienda Heights Community Center Supervisor**- Olivia Perea invited everyone to check out the Hacienda Hts Community Center Newsletter. A few events to look out for co-sponsored by the Strings and Bamboo Music Company performing a free concert February 23 from 2pm-4pm to celebrate the Chinese New Year. This is intergenerational group will be performing with unique Chinese instruments. The HHCC is also co-sponsoring the Sweet Hearts Prom for teen and pre-teens students with disabilities that is free to attend February 16. Play productions have been very successful at the community center! The next production will be Alice in Wonderland featuring a cast of children performing with costume and sets for two nights. Paint Nights is another great program for the family. You don't need to be a painter to participate. There is instruction step by step on a big screen to follow. There are refreshments and the class is in a relaxing atmosphere. The community center was hit with some graffiti over the weekend but it has already been painted over. Check out the computer classes hosted by Mt Sac. For more information stop by Hacienda Heights Community Center at 1234 Valencia Dr, Hacienda Heights, CA 91745 or call 626-333-3250.
- h. **Hsi Lai Temple, Project Coordinator, IBPS** - Gena Ooi shared that Hsi Lai Temple has many programs geared to toward assisting the homeless. They do a fundraiser to provide hygiene products to shelters, food drive, toy drive and clothing donation collection. If you are interested in participating in any of these programs contact Gena Ooi or visit the Hsi Lai website. Recently Whittier College had some students participate in a week retreat at the temple for 3 units of college credit. The Biggest event of year for the Hsi Lai Temple is coming up in February. There will be heavy traffic while visitors from all over come to visit the temple for the Chinese New Year Celebration. The celebration is from February 5

through the 19. The busiest days will be February 5,6,9,10 and 17. These days there will be additional parking at the Puente Hills Mall with shuttles provided. During the Chinese celebration the temple will be open extended hours from 8am to 8pm. There will be many festivities including a lantern festival that includes a light offering ceremony, money god, dragon and lion dance performance, lantern riddles, choir performance, spring festival couplets meditation and tea. This year the Chinese calendar celebrates the year of the pig. For more information on events and classes visit <http://www.hsilai.org>.

9 OLD BUSINESS:

a. Adoption of December 2018 Directors, Officers and Committees Positions, Descriptions and Duties .

Officers, Directors & Committee Duties have been updated. Vice President Scott Martin has over seen these updates and has finalized the description based on the input from the Board of Directors. A motion made to approve the updated operating instructions by President Mike Williams as presented, second by Vice President Scott Martin. No objections, motion carried.

b. Annual HHIA Financial Report for 2018 was tabled and will be given at the next HHIA meeting February 25, 2019.

2 NEW BUSINESS:

a. Dismissal of 2018 Board Members leaving and seating of newly elected 2019 Board Members.

1. 2018 President Mike Williams dismisses 2018 Board Members that are leaving the Board of Directors: Joan Licari, Joan Snider, Sandy Keat and Mike Williams.
2. 2018 President Mike Williams invites newly elected 2019 Board members to take their seats on the Board included are Adriana Quinones, Diego Loya, Randy Black and Mauri Edwards. Mr. Mike Williams turns over the meeting to 2018 Vice President Scott Martin to Chair.
3. Instructed by new Chairman Scott Martin 2018 Secretary Jennifer Kelley performs role call with 2019 Board of Directors. Recorded as Present: Ted Chang, Scott Martin, Lucy Pedregon, David Salcedo, Jennifer Kelley, Jim Kleinpell, Jeffrey Lin, Adriana Quinones, Diego Loya, Randy Black, Mauri Edwards. Absent: Shou Jen Kuo.

b. Election of HHIA Officers for Term January 2019 to January 2020 conducted by 2018 Vice President Scott Martin.

1. Nomination of Scott Martin for 2019 President made by Lucy Pedregon. No other nominations for President submitted. Scott Martin accepted nomination and position. No objections, motion is carried.

2. Nomination of Maury Edwards for 2019 Vice President made by Lucy Pedregon. No other nominations for Vice President submitted. Maury Edwards accepted nomination and position. No objections, motion is carried.
3. Nomination of Jennifer Kelley for 2019 Secretary made by Scott Martin. No other nominations submitted, seconded by Randy Black. Jennifer Kelley accepted nomination and position. No objections, motion carried.
4. Nomination of Randy Black for 2019 Treasurer made by Scott Martin. No other nominations submitted. Second by Lucy Pedregon. Randy Black accepted nomination and position. No objections, motion carried.

c. Nominations for 2019 Audit Committee Chair & Members (Audit year 2018) conducted by 2019 President Scott Martin.

2019 Vice President Maury Edwards, Board member Randy Black and HHIA member/former Board member Steve Rodríguez will be on the 2019 Audit committee.

3 COMMITTEE REPORTS: Please refer to HHIA website www.hhia.net for details of Board Member reports.

4 PUBLIC INPUT:

- a. Hacienda Heights resident and home owner Nemiah Miller took the opportunity to address his concerns in regards to a few homes in his neighborhood. Mr. Miller lives on Golden Rose Ave in Hacienda Heights nearby Countrywood Ave. There are three homes of concern to him that may need to be investigated for code violations and other safety and health issues. 1547 Golden Rose seems to have had some type of fire in the garage on January 17, 2019 and now there is the remains of a burned stove sitting in the drive way. Mr. Miller is concerned that there may be people living in unsafe conditions at that location. 1540 Golden Rose Ave and 1534 Golden Rose Ave seems to be causing issues as well. There may be an Air B&B operating out of one the residences that is causing a nuisance with an ongoing stream of strangers coming through the neighborhood. The other is rumored to be a house hosting birthing tourism. Another home has recreational vehicles and large commercial trucks blocking the street. President Mr. Scott Martin received Mr. Millers email before the meeting and drove by and took some pictures to document the complaints. Mr. Martin reached out to the fire department for further investigation. Deputy Ruano stepped in to let Mr. Miller know they are aware of some of the activity on the street and it is on their radar. Public works has been made aware of the situation as well. Mr. Martin has sent Clark Taylor with Code enforcement an observation form with documentation for Code Enforcement to further investigate.

- b.** Resident Hank Pedregon asked for a more comprehensive report for membership. President Scott Martin asked Mr. Pedregon to write an email with suggestions on what a that may include for the board to discuss and consider.
- c.** Steve Rodriguez HHIA member introduced himself and promoted his website “All About Hacienda Heights”. Mr. Rodriguez posts information and events happening in Hacienda Heights. Check it out at <http://www.allabouthh.org/>
- d.** Resident addressed a complaint about an issue with her neighbor in regards to water draining on her property. This issue has been addressed before at HHIA public input forum and the resident was put in touch with Public Works to address this issue.

5 ADJOURNMENT: HHIA meeting declared closed at 9:05 P.M. by Mr. Scott Martin, President for 2019. Thank you all for attending the meeting!

Respectfully Submitted by,
Jennifer Kelley, Secretary