



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
December 18, 2017**

- *LOCATION:** Hacienda La Puente Unified School District, Board meeting room at 15959 E. Gale Avenue, City of Industry, CA. 91716-0002
- *MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Time 7:00 P.M. called by Mike Williams, HHIA President.
- *PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE:** Led by Mr. Don Sachs, Representative from Mt. San Antonio College.
- *BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Ted Chang, Jim Kleinpell, Shou Jen Kuo, Joan Licari, Scott Martin, Lucy Pedregon, Steve Rodriguez, David Salcedo, Joan Snyder, Jeffrey Lin and Mike Williams.
- *ABSENT:** Sandy Keat.
- *APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Motion to approve the minutes made by Scott Martin and seconded by Jim Kleinpell.
- *TREASURER REPORT:** Treasurer- Joan Snyder, reports HHIA's account at US Bank located at 2040 So. Hacienda Boulevard, reports a total deposit of \$466.72 with expenses amounting to \$510.95 leaving a balance of \$17,795.23 For further details please refer to the website: www.hhia.net
- *PUBLIC SAFETY & LAW ENFORCEMENT UPDATES:**
 - a. California Highway Patrol – Officer Jeremy Tolen reported traffic in the vicinity of the 57 and 60 freeway is most dangerous due to the congestion. The flow of traffic on Hacienda Blvd. and Gale Avenue also very congested. These areas are considered highly dangerous according to a study done by USC link site from MTA website. The donation of toys for the CHIP Drive will be held up until Dec. 22nd. The latest accident occurred on Colima Road involving a motorcycle. Call 911 for car accidents! The 3rd Monday of the month, the department is training officers for three shifts: morning, noon and evening. There have been two units assigned to Hacienda Heights.

b. LASD Town Sheriff – Deputy Jose Ruano reports there were 3 robberies at a Barber Shop, and a raid at Taco Mexico which converted to a dispensary facility resulting in closure. There was one domestic violence, one robbery between two friends. Dep. Ruano states people shop by breaking windows of which 7 were arrested all gand members. He strongly advises that everyone lock doors, glove compartments. Valuables & registration card be put away or locked in the trunk of the car. Mail packages are taken/stolen must be reported. It is a Federal crime!

c. Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority – Ranger Francine Godoy states the department has begun to repair the Hacienda Heights Trailhead. It should be completed by the end of Christmas holiday. Water is re-directed to the “Bio spill”. The skyline on Hacienda are a concern due to the winds. Ranger Godoy recommends report any smell of vegetation burning immediately! Call for a high alert! Call the Fire Department! There are also patrol on horseback from MRCA. Homeless people do live in the hills on 7th and OrangeGrove. They are monitored by Rangers trail car.

d. HLPUSD Chief of Police – Chief John Babbitt was present but left the meeting.

***PROGRAM:**

Andy Thorburn, Democrat for Congress, introduced himself to audience members as a possible candidate in replacing Congressman Royce. He is a former classroom teacher, an advocate for working people, and a Democratic businessman. *Please note: This does not suggest HHIA endorses political candidates but allows candidates time to introduce themselves. HHIA Bylaws read the organization must remain neutral regarding politics.

***COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES:**

a. Representative 4th Supervisorial District – Field Deputy, Lauren Yokomizo, reported that Janice Hahn, Supervisor, participated at a Tea Lighting Ceremony. Also, the supervisor attended a memorial service for the homeless that have passed away. Lauren reports the “Christmas with Santa” community event was a success! A homeless shelter has been arranged with St. John Vianney beginning Jan 17, 2018. Portable toilets have been set up for those that reside along the riverbed. Public Health inspectors have been assigned to visit massage parlors making sure all regulations are met. Cannibus, Prop. 64, has passed last November and now the Los Angeles County is busy drafting cannibus regulations! There will be a community meeting to review the regulations on Jan. 8, 2018 at the HHCC.

b. Representataive 39th Congressional District – Field Deputy Lauren Pong is absent.

- c. Representative 57th State Assembly – Field Deputy Ruby Duenas is absent.
- d. Representative 32nd State Senate District - Field Deputy Adam Galia is absent.
- e. Representative Mt. San Antonio College – Don Sachs states truck vendors should operate only on a private street. For safety purposes, Mt. SAC has its' own police officers. Each building has 12 officers. The “Homeless” are offered showers. The site is preparing for the upcoming Olympics. So far, 130,000 cubic yards have been removed in the preparation. The Olympic stadium will be completed July in the year 2019!
- f. Hacienda Heights Librarian – Amy Boteilho reports the library visits are slowing down due to the end of the year. January will host many programs such as a violin performance on the 20th. Jan. 27th will bring a local history program. The grand opening for Rowland Heights Library is scheduled on February 9, 2018. The library will be closed on Christmas Day but will remain open on Christmas Eve and New Years' Eve! The library will be closed on New Years' Day and will observed Martin Luther King Day. Amy encourages for all to participate to a Los Angeles County “listening session” regarding Health equity.
- g. Hsi Lai Temple – IBPS Project Co-ordinator – Gena Ooi reports the temple donated toys to families in need as well as food for the holidays. In partnership with the temple was St. John Vianney who donated sleeping bags. All items were donated to the Holy Angel event. November 26th the Hsi Lai Temple celebrates its 30th Anniversary, all are welcomed. There will be a “Winter Camp” offered on December 27-31st. Participants must have at least played one year to join. Refer to Hsi Lai website for further details.

***ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a. HHIA Annual Dinner celebrating 70 years of community service! Dinner is free to members and a donation of \$10.00 for non-members. RSVP! The event will take place at the HHCC. Doors open at 5:00 P.M., dinner at 6:00 P.M. For non- members, meet our Membership Director Mr. Jim Kleinpell who will explain the advantages of becoming an HHIA member!

***ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 P.M. Happy Holidays!

***SUBMITTED BY:**

Mrs. Lucy Vera Pedregon

