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## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 16, 2017**

Submitted by Lucy V. Pedregon, Secretary.

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

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** Time 7:00 P.M. in the school district conference room by Mr. Mike Williams, President.

**PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE:** Led by Hanny Zamora, former HHIA Board Member.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Ted Chang, Jim Kleinpell, Shou Jen Kuo, Joan Licari, Jeffrey Lin, Scott Martin, Lucy Pedregon, Steve Rodriguez, David Salcedo, Joan Snyder and Mike Williams.

**ABSENT:** Troy Goodspeed.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Motion to approve the minutes as presented made by Scott Martin, second by Jim Kleinpell.

**APPROVAL OF TREASURY REPORT:** A two page report as presented by Joan Snyder, Treasurer. Motion led by Scott Martin and second by Jim Kleinpell.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY & LAW ENFORCEMENT:**

- a. California Highway Patrol is Officer Jeremy P. Tolon, #17998, Public Information Officer. Officer Tolon relays he has received many complaints from residents regarding excessive speed. The residents request a speed sign to remedy the problem. Two parked vehicles were crashed into that now patrolling is frequent especially on weekends. This is in the area of Stimson Avenue and Lujon, even on Colima Road. \*Officer Tolon will replace Officer Al Perez who is retiring in December.
- b. Los Angeles County Sheriff Department is Deputy Jose Ruano, Town Sheriff. He immediately offered the station phone number for those that need help! It is (626)

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330-3322. Deputy Ruano reported another Deputy had an altercation which resulted in having his finger bitten. One resident reported she heard a hard knock at the door, looked out the window and saw a hooded man. She immediately called the Sheriff's Department for help. Three individuals were arrested for burglary. There were also 8 vehicle thefts possibly because valuables were visible when the items should be placed in the trunk of the car. Last, a gun shot heard and reported in the area of Vallecito.

c. Mountains Recreation Conservation Authority: Ranger Francine Godoy is absent.

d. Hacienda La Puente Unified School District Chief of Police is John Babbitt. Chief Babbitt commended the Sheriff's Department for their diligence and work. For example, a large delivery truck parked near the cafeteria building that short circuited into flames at Wilson High School. Response team quickly address the incident.

\*At this time, HHIA Board Member, David Salcedo request a moment of silence for the peace officers of the Las Vegas shooting tragedy. . . . Thank you.

#### **PROGRAM: LOS ANGELES COUNTY ZONING/CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

Presented by Alex Garcia. Topic of discussion regarding unincorporated areas/Hacienda Heights. Mr. Garcia stated the department addresses Landuse, Regulation and Zoning Enforcement. The objective is to encourage responsibility and maintain the quality of property in the community. One can report a violation of property through the County Hotline 211. The caller may remain anonymous. The property owner can be contacted by phone calls, email and/or letters. All information from the occupant and documentation is held in confidence. The time allowance to correct property violations may take 30 to 120 days. Other violations are unpermitted units with a kitchen in a duplex, garage conversions with a doorway, parking on lawns, RV motor homes not permitted to park on driveways as per code enforcement. For further details refer to: [www.hhia.net](http://www.hhia.net)

#### **COMMUNITY RELATIONS:**

- a. Representative 4<sup>th</sup> Supervisorial District – Lauren Yokomizo, Field Deputy. Lauren announce the upcoming “Public Safety Annual Luncheon” which recognizes our Peace Officers. Tickets are \$20.00 for individuals and sponsorship is offered as well. This years’ PSAL event is a casual Bar B Q luncheon to be held at the HHCC on October 19, 2017. For the “Kiddies”, she also announced the Haunted Halloween Carnival event held at HHCC at 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. on October 27<sup>th</sup>. At Steinmetz Park another Halloween Carnival is schedule on October 30<sup>th</sup> with a “Pumpkin Carving Contest”! Another program geared for our teen girls is the “Girls Empowerment Conference” scheduled on October 21, 2017 at the HHCC at 10:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. with special

guest speaker Norma E. Garcia, Chief Deputy Director, County of Los Angeles Parks & Recreation! Lauren also announced of Janice Hahn, Supervisor, will allocate 33 million to be directed for road repair. The new field office is located in Diamond Bar. The grand opening for the office is to be announced.

- b. Representative 39<sup>th</sup> Congressional District – Lauren Pong, Field Deputy. Lauren is absent.
- c. Representative 57<sup>th</sup> State Assembly District is Ruby Duenas, Field Deputy. Ruby announced the Honorable Ian Calderon event of College Career Days was a success. They are happy to say there were three La Puente recipients/winners who were awarded \$1,000! Congratulations to all three! On November 4, 2017, one may join Assemblyman Ian Calderon for coffee in a Q&A session beginning at 10:00 A.M. until 12:00 noon at Casa Blanca. Don't miss this opportunity! Final announcement Assembly Bill 117 regulates loans while Assembly Bill 1127 offers a facility for changing and infant.
- d. Representative 32<sup>nd</sup> State District is Adam Galia, Field Deputy, is absent.
- e. Representative Mount San Antonio College is Don Sachs. Mt. SAC will have an Open House on November 4, 2017 at 9:00 A.M. Tours will be offered during construction of Olympic stadium, wildlife sanctuary and the Mt. SAC President will do a presentation.
- f. Hacienda Heights Librarian is Amy Boteilho. Amy announced the holiday schedule of which Veterans Day is observed on November 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> of 2017 the library is closed. The day of Thanksgiving on November 23<sup>rd</sup> and the 24<sup>th</sup>, the Library will be closed again. For the month of November, children's program continues as well as a film festival opened to the public but for adults only. The Library still has the Hacienda Heights Connection magazine available while supplies last. Amy also took time to introduce the Friends of the Library President – Fran Carter.
- g. New Horizon Caregiver Group is Donna Lemaster, Executive Director. Donna earned the position from former Executive Director, Cathy Jaimeson, who is now retired. Donna is supported by the Hacienda La Puente Unified School District which provides a facility to store food. The program operates through volunteers and funding. It does outreach and partners with other organizations at many public events. Donna added she serves 8 schools where food, school supplies and clothing is offered to families in need. Thank you Donna!
- h. His Lai Temple representative is Gena Ooi, IBPS Program Coordinator. Gena announced the temple courtyard has been remodeled for safety issues. The curb along the landscape caused visitors to lose their balance. A fund raising swap meet was held which profited a sum of \$3,000 for the Women's Shelter. Hygiene products, diapers, etc. were purchased for three different shelter locations. On October 28, 2017 the Joy Scholarship Event will take place that offers 175 scholarships! Free flu shots will be offered that weekend on Saturday to the community! The Buddhist Temple will be celebrating its' 30 year Anniversary!!!! Congratulations!

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- i. Los Angeles County Department of Parks & Recreation representative is Brian Ceballos, Recreation Services Supervisor. Brian has been an experienced Supervisor for 10 years. He announced many upcoming events. They are as follows; the Public Safety Appreciation Luncheon sponsored by Supervisor Janice Hahn scheduled October 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 11:00 A.M. to about 1:30 P.M. Tickets are still available! October 21<sup>st</sup> there will be a "Women's Empowerment Program" for young girls ages 10-17 yrs. old.
- j. He also pointed out 2 different Halloween events at Steinmetz Park Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> and Hac. Hghts. Comm. Center Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> and explained both are carnival themed for kids. There is a free Appreciation Dinner for Veterans Day on November 4 at the Senior Center. Guest fee are \$10.00. December 3<sup>rd</sup> is a Senior Prom at HHCC! The Christmas Snow Event which offers many activities!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a. **BARBARA FISH TRAILHEAD FUND:** Presented by Mike Williams, President. Mike suggest that HHIA make a donation to the Puente Hills Native Habitat Preservation Authority for the amount of \$500. To their Animal Ambassadors Program in memory of Barbara Fish. Board Members present 11 of which 11 voted yes. No nay. Troy Goodspeed absent at the time. Motion second by Steve Rodriguez. Certified by Lucille V. Pedregon, Secretary.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. Meals on Wheels Dinner Fundraiser – All are encourage to support the event by attending. Tickets start at \$65.00. Dinner is scheduled on November 10<sup>th</sup> at Pacific Palms. For further information call 6/ 336-4937.
- b. CHP Toy Drive – This time California Highway Patrol need your support. Please make a donation toward this event at HHIA's next meeting! Our peace officers provide safety and bring smiles on children faces this holiday! Thank you!

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. HHIA Annual Platinum Dinner! On January 10, 2018 – Wednesday we will be celebrating 70 years of Community Improvement. It will be held at the HHCC beginning at 5:00 P.M. Dinner is free to HHIA members and there is a donation fee of \$10.00 to non-members. All are welcomed!

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** All reports are posted at website. Refer below.

#### **PUBLIC INPUT:**

- a. HLPUSD will be addressing the sale of two school sites. They are Glenelder Ele. and ISC on La Subida. Board meeting is on October 26, 2017 – Thursday at 7:00 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 9:01 P.M.