



HACIENDA HEIGHTS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.
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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Date: Monday – July 17, 2023

LOCATION: Hacienda Heights Community Center, 1234 Valencia, Hac. Hgts., CA 91745

- ❖ Meeting Called to Order: Time: 7:05 PM. Meeting chaired by: John Ford
- ❖ Pledge of Allegiance: Led by a member in the audience (Mike Williams – Past President of HHIA).
- ❖ Roll Call: Randy Black described a displayed spreadsheet showing Board Member attendance (as required by Bylaws). Present - Randy Black, John Ford, Scott Martin, Julie Tan, Jeffrey Lin, Phyllis Rokus, Steven Wu, Adriana Quinones, Andrea Gordon
Absent Board Members: Geri Kleinpell (AE), Cindy Greenup (A), & Shou-Jen Kou (A)
- ❖ Approval of Past Meeting Minutes:
June 20th, 2023 meeting – Motion to accept the June minutes was made by Scott Martin and Seconded by Phyllis Rokus. Four approved. Five board members abstained. Motion not carried.
- ❖ Treasurer's Report: Month Reported: June 2023, Julie Tan
 - Account Balance as of June 1, 2023: \$5,632.40
 - Income/Deposit Totals: \$5,630.02 (\$.02 interest) Expenses Total: \$751.21
 - Account Balance as of June 30, 2023: \$10,511.21
 - Restricted Funds:
 - Puente Hills Trail/Park Support Balance: \$5,377.30
 - Park Support Funds Balance: \$1,571.01
- ❖ Public Safety & Law Enforcement Updates
 - LASD Industry Station: Deputy Jose Ruano
 - June Monthly Crime Statistics Available on the HHIA Website Under Documents/Reports For This Month.
 - A couple of fires already this summer in our area
 - Still some firework incidences
 - Short term rental issues in our area
 - 4th of July Parade was Very Successful!
 - Halliburton – they are working new signage for the RV & Commercial truck parking issue on Halliburton
 - Andrea shared her knowledge on the source of the recent Turnbull Canyon fire
 - Adriana – make our voices heard at the BofS meeting regarding short term rentals
 - CHP Santa Fe Springs Station: Officer Sonia Guzman - # 21100
 - Santa Fe Springs CHP Office – stepping in last minute for the meeting
 - Provided their whole district stats instead of just for our specific area
 - Invited the audience to bring any traffic concerns or parking issues to her
 - Michael Wang – Homeless near 7th Street on ramp – going 60 West

❖ Public Input:

- David Fang – Concern: “Motel 6 converting to Homeless Center” (Project HomeKey) – “Safety Issues” – David is a HHIA Life Time Member
- Mike Williams, Past HHIA President – DTSC (Dept of Toxic Substances Control) Meeting regarding Ecobat (previously known as “Quemetco”) – Thursday, July 20th, 2023
- Joanne Sterkel – General Concern: Light at the corner of Colima & Park Lawn Road – She wants a Light Installed. Joanne is not a current HHIA member

❖ No Presentations this month:

❖ Community Representatives:

Representative 1st Supervisorial District: Edith Gonzalez, Supervisor Hilda Solis’s representative, spoke to the HHIA Member Audience about general initiatives and congratulated HHIA on a successful 4th of July Parade on July 4th. Also talked about the new area aquatic center being built in nearby La Puente. The Supervisor is going to have representatives at the Ecobat/Quemetco meeting on Thursday, 7/20/23. Edith took a couple of questions from the audience. Steven Wu – Board Member – spoke regarding the Supervisor hearing everyone’s voices regarding Project HomeKey concerns.

Representative 38th Congressional District: Anabel Cuevas representing Congresswoman Linda Sanchez shared information with the audience. Mentioned that Randy & Scott attended the Congresswoman’s Coffee with the Congresswoman session in Hacienda Heights @ Los Altos High School. Mentioned the upcoming Senior Fair at Cerritos College – Friday, August 4th. Mentioned that their offices can help with Passport processing requests. Adriana asked if the Senior event could be held on a Saturday instead of a Friday and possibly bring it to Hacienda Heights. Per Anabel, Fridays have historically been the days that are available, and Cerritos College is a large venue to accommodate at least a 1,000 people.

30th State Senate District: No representation by Kyle Miller.

56th State Assembly District: Ramon Luquin Jr. was present to represent Assembly member Lisa Calderon. Notable items: Wins at the State Budget – brought in a million dollars for the Puente Hills Landfill Park. Calls regarding Homeless encampment efforts. Discussion about Senate Bill SB14 – still in committee – Re: Human trafficking.

Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority: No representation for the Habitat Preservation Authority.

Hacienda Heights Librarian: Christina Cabrera-Labrador shared information regarding upcoming library sponsored events. Check out their website (<https://lacountylibrary.org/hacienda-heights-library/>) for further details and information.

Hsi Lai Temple: Avelyn Busch representing the Hsi Lai Temple shared various programs and initiatives that they are currently work on. They participated in the 4th of July Parade. Note that the Vegetarian Lunch Buffet is now open again for business (\$10.00 all you can eat).

LA Co Parks & Recreation: Michael Hamilton shared various programs happening at our local Parks & within LA Co Department of Parks & Recreation. Parks after Dark is currently going on, and Concerts in the Park as well.

* Most of the above speakers/elected officials/organization’s websites addresses are provided on the HHIA website.

❖ Presidents Updates: No Update

❖ Treasurer’s Consent Agenda Items: Items Paid in Excess of \$100.....Julie Tan, Treasurer
 Business Entity Description Amount/Date

Business Entity	Description	Amount/Date
2022 Annual Party Flower	Flowers for Annual Dinner Event	\$216.00
Discover Print Shop	Printing of June Newsletter	\$262.80
Kiwanis Hacienda Heights	4 th of July Parade Program Ad	\$100.00

❖ Old Business:

Social Media-Admin Guidelines: Adriana Quinones did not have an update. She confirmed that the FB (FaceBook) Guideline Development Workgroup “have not met” and are still working on establishing new posting rules/content rules for the HHIA website group. John Ford tabled the agenda item/update.

❖ New Business:

HHIA Letter to Supv. Solis-Project HomeKey: Scott Martin made a motion to request the HHIA Board put together a letter to Supervisor Solis acknowledging her letter sent to the HHIA and summarizing HHIA’s & meeting attendee’s positions. Phyllis Rokus seconded. Discussion: Andrea Gordon requested a meeting of the HHIA board before moving forward with a formal letter to Supervisor Solis; agreed upon by Adriana Quinones. An audience member shared her concerns about the Project HomeKey facility and kids walking past the facility to get to school. Rokus suggested tabling. Ford Tabled.

Creating a separate HHIA board meeting separate from General Membership Meeting: As offered by Ford, create “separate board member meeting only” where ‘business’ items will be discussed. Andrea Gordon offered a motion “split those two issues: board meeting prior to GMM”. Mike Williams offered “hesitant to having private meetings”. Gordon asked if her motion should be taken off the table. Ford tabled the motion then asked for a second, Quinones seconded the motion.

Andrea Gordon shared a proposal to research a portable hydra-tank for firefighting purposes. She suggested/asked whether the HHIA’s Restricted Funds (Puente Hills Trails/Park Support and/or Park Support Funds) could be used. Gordon made a motion: Gordon explore inquiry with Firefighting Representatives on this topic. Scott Martin seconded. Roll call: Ayes: 9.

❖ Committee Reports: No committee reports.

Please refer to HHIA website www.hhia.net for details of Board Member reports.

- ❖ Board Member Comments: Scott Martin reminded the President/Board that a review of the Financial Audit Committee’s recommendations (of 2022 financial activities) is required to be presented in the June 2023, GMM by the Treasurer.

Andrea Gordon spoke on LA County’s emergency alert system based on a personal experience. She cited, in her opinion, the system in place is ineffective.

The meeting ended at 8:42 pm

The next HHIA Board of Directors meeting will be on August 21, 2023

Minutes Submitted by: Randy Black, Secretary, August 16, 2023.

Entered into record after approval:

Secretary Signature

Date

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