



ON POINT *October 2016*



Fall is such a lovely time of year, the colors, the weather, the festivals and elections. Okay so that final part of this time of the year isn't as lovely as the former items I mentioned. I went to my 30 year high school reunion and had such a wonderful time connecting with old friends and some I had forgotten. The thing that I noticed the most, was that so many of the walls built up from being "different" backgrounds had evaporated. Largely I think most people were looking at the person in front of them rather than judging them on who they used to be. It is deeply saddening to me to see and hear people arguing, young people being shot and general animosity toward each other. We need to look for the good in each other. We are seeking to remember that we are all connected as humans. When you vote remember that your neighbors are still going to be your neighbors after Election Day. I read where we are only using 10% of our potential. Just think how great we all would be if we strived to use 50% of our potential.

Thank you to everyone who helped or supported the Picnic in the Point Fundraiser. Especially, Maureen Decombe, Hilary Brown, and Women's Westside Improvement for helping out with those wild kids in the jumpy houses. \$5000 was raised to support Washington Elementary PTA, Parents Resources and More, Richmond Swims, and Farmer Kelly's Garden. We will be distributing \$800 to a non-profit in honor of the recent victims of gun violence, Jovante Prothro and Nico Martinez.

PRNC MEMBERSHIP DUES—are still one of the best deals in town! Dues are \$10/individual, \$15/household. Dues for 2016-2017 are due now! If you want to vote at our General Membership meetings each month and be part of the solution become a member today!

David Schoenthal

**David Schoenthal, President
Point Richmond Neighborhood Council**



AGENDA

Point Richmond Neighborhood Council
Point Richmond Community Center
Wednesday, October 26, 2016

- 7:30 **Call to order and approval of Minutes from August 31, 2016**
(no minutes from the PRNC/PRBA City Council Forum to approve) **2 minutes**
- 7:32 **Police Report, and Report from PRNC Safety and Crime Prevention Rep, Officer Hector Esparza** **10 minutes**
- 7:42 **President's Report, David Schoenthal (510) 710-4621**
Parking plans, Gateway Grants Submitted,
PRNC/PRBA City Council Forum, Picnic in the Point,
Washington Elementary Annual Halloween Parade, Turkey Shoot **10 minutes**
- 7:52 **Report on Membership, Charmain Tyler (510) 334-7267** **1 minute**
- 7:53 **Treasurer's Report, Garry Hurlbut (510) 547-8111** **1 minute**
- 7:54 **Land Use/Design Review Committee** **15 minutes**
Items to be considered at the November meeting, must be submitted to Rod Satre, Committee Chair, by November 5.
Contact Rod at rdatre@live.com, (510) 232-5059. The LUDRC Committee meets monthly prior to the PRNC Meeting at 6 p.m. at Interactive Resources, 117 Park Place. Please attend if your project is being considered.
- **Kaleidoscope Coffee – Parklet – Cassie Cushing**
- **Point San Pablo Yacht Harbor- Upgrades to Marina - Point San Pablo LLC applicant**
- 8:09 **Coalition for Richmond Fair Housing – Teresa Karr**
Supporter of Measure L – TBA **15 minutes**
- 8:24 **Measures T, Proposition 55 and 58** **15 minutes**
Demetrio Gonzalez – President, United Teachers of Richmond
- 8:39 **Committee Reports and Announcements from Non-profit Groups**
2 minutes each-up to 15 minutes
- **Point Richmond Business Association, Dave Schoenthal, dbschoen@hotmail.com**
- **Knit and Such, Terri Phillips, (510) 237-6865**
- **Arts of Point Richmond, Altha Humphrey, (510) 232-2934**
- **Women's Westside Improvement Club, Linda Newton, (510) 235-0081**
- **Richmond Tennis, Garry Hurlbut, (510) 547-8111 www.rta-ca.org**
- **Point Richmond History Association, Mid Dornan, (510) 234-5334**
- **Masquers Playhouse, Kathe Kiehn, www.masquers.org**
- **TRAC, Richmond Bay Trail, Bruce Beyaert, www.pointrichmond.com/baytrail**
- **Brickyard Cove Alliance for Responsible Development (BCARD), Gene Scott**
- **Richmond Smart Lighting Coalition (510) 697-2742, Richmond-Smart-Lighting.org**
- **USS Red Oak Victory Ship, Pat Pearson, (510) 234-2532**
- 8:54 **Public Forum: Please sign up. As many as 5 speakers (2 minutes each).**
Issues brought to the attention of the Council in the Public Forum cannot result in Council action at this meeting.
Instead, submit issues to Dave Schoenthal at dbschoen@hotmail.com, or
<http://www.pointrichmond.org/contact.cfm>, prior to the next PRNC Board Meeting.
- 9:04 **In Remembrance and Celebration/Adjourn**



Point Richmond Neighborhood Council General Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 31, 2016

1. **Called to Order** at 7:37 pm. Minutes from the previous meeting on July 27, 2016 were approved with no amendments. Board Members present: Dave Schoenthal, Charmain Tyler Garry Hurlbut, Maureen Decombe and Hilary Brown. Absent: Jordan DeStabler
2. **Police Report** - Officer H Esparza gave an update about crime in August, which was a fairly quiet month. There was one battery on Wine Street, grant theft on Ocean, and an Auto burglary on Washington. There was a shooting on West Cutting, probably at the hotel, and vandalism on Ohio and Santa Fe.
3. **President's Report, Dave Schoenthal:** Picnic in Point is coming up on September 24 at Judge G Carroll Park. The event is free to enter, but there are many activities including live music, jumpy houses, bubble games, crafts, a raffle, food and beverages. Proceeds help raise funds for the Washington PTA, and other local non-profits. We are looking for volunteers to help set up and clean up. On September 28 PRNC will co-host a candidates' forum in conjunction with the PRBA. This will be an opportunity to meet most of the candidates currently running for City Council.
4. **Report on Membership, Charmain Tyler:** In July our membership was 93 and this month (August) our membership grew to 97. PRNC dues are \$10 for an individual, \$15 for a family and lifetime membership is \$500. Membership is from now through May 1 of the following year.
5. **Treasurer's Report, Garry Hurlbut:** In August we received \$145 in dues and we contributed \$500 to Picnic in the Point. Current balances: \$713.96, Benevolent Fund; \$2,970.94, Wig Wag Fund; \$6,828.00, General Fund.
6. **Land Use/Design Review Committee** - Applicant did not appear for meeting tonight; no reports.
7. **Parking Plan for Downtown Point Richmond, Denee Evans:** The city is planning to do a pilot parking study in Point Richmond to improve parking by managing demand during peak hours, reduce gas emissions, encourage alternative forms of transportation, improve technology and install EV charging stations. A vendor approached the city and offered to assist with a free pilot in Point Richmond. The plan is to test the pilot and then submit feedback about the pilot. Please communicate observations about what works and observations and ideas to improve parking. All ideas are welcome. Some suggestions include: valet parking, paid parking, visitor vouchers, parklet locations, reconfigured street parking, ADA spaces reserved for specific addresses. Since this is the beginning of the planning process anything is possible and we look forward to hearing your ideas.
8. **Writer Coach Connection, June Pangelinan and Mary Lee Cole:** A program connecting community members with schools to help tutor students with writing, critical thinking and brainstorming. Coaches are trained for 6 hours and then coach between 12 and 24 times during the year. Teachers appreciate the assistance, the students grow and flourish and coaches find it to be a rewarding experience. Prospective volunteers can find info at: www.writercoachconnection.org.
9. Committee Reports and Announcements from Point Richmond Non-Profits
 - **Point Richmond Business Association, Dave Schoenthal:** Picnic in the Point September 24th.
 - **Knit & Such, Altha Humphrey:** The group meets once per month on the first Wednesday. Next meeting is Wednesday September 7th from 1-3pm in the Community center. Not just knitting; also crafts, needle point and knitting. Everyone is welcome.

- **Arts of Point Richmond, Altha Humphrey:** An active group with about 60 members. Meetings are scheduled about 6 weeks apart for socializing and sharing crafts and anything artistic.
- **Women's West Side Improvement Club, Linda Newton:** First meeting of the new year starts Tuesday, Sept 13th at 11:15. Brown bag lunch at the Methodist Church in Fellowship Hall, everyone is welcome to join to plan for the upcoming year. Gardening activities are scheduled September 17 from 10am - 12.
- **Richmond Tennis, Garry Hurlbut:** Tots tennis for 3-6 year olds is on Saturdays from 9-10 at the courts by the plunge. Tennis is a lot of fun and is all about getting an active lifestyle. USTA Men's 3.5 team won their League Championship and moved on to come in second place at Northern California District Championships.
- **Point Richmond History Association, Mid Dornan:** Plans for kiosk were submitted to the city, next step is the city will notify neighboring businesses so they will know about proposal. After a 30 day response the project will go forward to the review process. In addition, there are over 1200 pictures in the museum. Our editor has put all 1200 pictures on a disc which is available for \$25.
- **Masquers, Mary Lee Cole:** Architects and engineers expect to know an approximate cost of repair to the theater within a month. Original projections were as high as \$3.5 million and at least \$500,000. Costs will include earthquake retrofitting, ADA compliance, and putting theater back together. Progress is being made and we hope to celebrate our opening at this time next year.
- **Brickyard Cove Alliance for Responsible Development:** Lawsuit was filed, progress reports coming.
- **Red Oak Victory, Graham Perrot:** Third Thursday of month film festival extended to include movies through December. Come down to sit in the old hold and watch old movies. Movies are on 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm. Movies are free, but we ask for a \$10 contribution to support the ship. Two more rounds of pancake breakfasts are scheduled on September 11 and October 9th from 9-12:30.
- **Sustainability Committee:** The Soils Workshop on October 1st will be rescheduled, new date TBD. Planning meetings are also delayed, but will be announced.

10. Open Forum

- **Don Woodrow:** Berkeley Campus was going to expand to Richmond and would have included a lab, but then funds were cut. Then the space was going to be used for a global campus, but funding for that project also fell through. Then the plan was to find corporate partners like Google or Pixar. The site is beautiful and has a lot of potential and there is still opportunity to have something happen. Please see Tom Butt's e-forum for updates and details about the current status.
- **Garry Hurlbut:** A reminder about the Weekly Weeders - we do not need to be organized, we can pull weeds together or we can pull weeds by ourselves. Please remember to pull weeds when you see them around town.
- **Cordell Hindler:** Today is his 2 year anniversary for coming to PRNC meetings. Next month's crime prevention meeting will include a group from animal control. Next crime prevention meeting is September 21 at 7pm.
- **Linda Newton:** The former Zeneca site, an 86 acre property located by the Richmond Field station still includes toxic waste. Another cleanup has started, information about the cleanup and public comment period is being extended. Comments should go to Lin.Takashima.ca.gov.
- **Katheryn Dienst:** New interim zoning ordinance is available. There are positive things like a noise and lighting ordinance, a low water planting ordinance and clarification that planned areas cannot ignore the general plan. On the other hand, there are some changes to the general plan based on this ordinance including some changes to building heights and changes to parking counts based on zoning.

11. **In Remembrance and Celebration/Adjourn:** The August 31, 2016 meeting was closed in celebration of baby Wesley Wall, and in celebration of Mid Dornan who just celebrated her 95th birthday. In memory of Tatianna Howard, a victim of gun violence who asked to have her ashes spread over an ocean and a party in an orchard under the stars. John Maloney of Roxbury Connecticut; he lived a great life and will be missed. Jill Jenice from Point Richmond will be remembered on Keller Beach on Saturday. Ed Schoen a long time resident of Brickyard, he was an early doctor at Kaiser. The September 28, 2016 PRNC meeting was held in memory of the following Richmond residents and their families: Pedie Perez, Javonte Prothro, Otilio "Nico" Martinez, Maxim Biswas, Ilaysia McCoy and her unborn child, and Lillie Mae Jones, a long time Richmond activist.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND PAY YOUR DUES! The dues help cover our administrative expenses and are minimal: \$10 for individuals and \$15 for a household. If this is a financial hardship, a waiver is gladly granted. Lifetime memberships are available for \$500. Bring dues to next meeting or mail check and application to: PRNC; P.O. Box 70386; Point Richmond, CA 94807 – **DO NOT mail membership to PRNC address in front of mailer – delivery will be delayed.**

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***Point Richmond Neighborhood Council
October Meeting: Wednesday, October 26, 7:30 p.m.
Point Richmond Community Center***



- * Halloween Parade and Turkey Shoot***
- * Remember to Vote! November 8, 2016***
- * Red Oak Victory Film Festival: "The Password is Courage" (1962) see it on 10/20/2016 at 7:00 pm in the cargo hold***

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