ON POINT July 2016



Summer moves by so fast. Seems like yesterday we were just talking about the kids being out of school. Now we are talking about school going back in session in August. Point Richmond is ever changing, Terminal One, new businesses, people moving in and moving out yet this place we call home still retains it's warm welcoming charm. It makes me hopeful for the future of what this place will become in the coming years. Warning; I tend to be quite the optimist. I am reminded of the quote, "What the mind of man/woman can conceive in the mind, the heart can achieve." These are indeed our thoughts. Sorry for the heavy dose of thoughtful introspection, when the seasons change so to do our thoughts.

Summer Concert Series – Hope you all are enjoying the wonderful summer concert series put on by Amazing Point Richmond Music volunteers!

Save the Date for Picnic in the Point: Saturday, September 24, 12pm to 5pm. We are looking for volunteers to help with planning this incredible event. Also we are looking for food vendors, booth vendors and other non-profits who are interested in having a booth at the event, contact me directly with inquiries.

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 and be part of the solution become a member today!

See you all around the Point!

David Schoenthal

David Schoenthal, President Point Richmond Neighborhood Council



AGENDA

Point Richmond Neighborhood Council Point Richmond Community Center Wednesday, July 27, 2016

7:30	Call to order and approval of Minutes from June 29, 2016	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 (Jordan)	5 minutes	
7:47	Report on Membership, Charmain Tyler (510) 334-7267	1 minute	
7:48	Treasurer's Report, Garry Hurlbut (510) 547-8111	1 minute	
7:49	Land Use/Design Review Committee Items to be considered at the August meeting, must be submitted to Rod Satre, Committee Chair, by August 7. Contact Rod at rdsatre@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. • 0 Cliffside Court, Madden		
7:54	Unisun Solar - Presentation of new solar business in Point Richmond 10 minutes		
8:04	Bike Skills Park - Jim Zahradka	10 minutes	
8:14	Social Impact Bonds - Tim Higares - Department of Infrastructure & Maintenance 15 minutes		
8:29	Sustainability Website Page - Maureen Decombe/Christine Volker 10 minutes		
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 - 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 - Magick Lantern, Kate Spaulding, (510) 232-2559, magicklantern.org - 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 – 7/4/2015.		
9:04	In Remembrance and Celebration/Adjourn		



Point Richmond Neighborhood Council General Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 29, 2016

- 1. Called to Order at 7:37 pm. Minutes from the previous meeting on May 25, 2016 were approved with no amendments. Board Members present: Dave Schoenthal, Jordan DeStabler, and Hilary Brown. Absent: Charmain Tyler, Garry Hurlbut, Maureen Decombe
- 2. Police Report Officer Hector Esparza gave a report about crime statistics for June which was a generally uneventful month in Point Richmond. The highlight of the month was on June 8th when shots were reported in Brickyard Cove and bullets were being fired into complex from on top of the hill. Officers arrested three men, all between the ages of 23-24 years old. One man had a box of ammo and used shell casings. It does not appear that they were deliberately targeting any individual, and instead were drinking alcohol and firing a weapon. All three were arrested for assault with a deadly weapon, use of a deadly weapon, negligent and careless firing.
- 3. President's Report, Dave Schoenthal: The city is working on a parking permit pilot program, and Point Richmond is being considered for a pilot area in the business district. September 24th is Picnic in the Point at Judge G Carroll Park please consider volunteering and contact Dave if you would like to help. We are starting to work on developing a business improvement district and a maintenance improvement district to improve street lighting, holiday lights, and safety. We are looking to start a committee. If interested, please consider volunteering. Point Richmond Music Concert next concert July 8th. Terminal One project is going to city council on Tuesday, July 5.
- **4. Report on Membership, Dave Schoenthal:** As of tonight there are 82 members for the 2016-2017 year. Membership dues were due on May 1st. Please renew your membership today, because only paid members can vote. PRNC dues are \$10 for an individual, \$15 for a household and lifetime membership is \$500. Still the best deal in town!
- **5. Treasurer's Report, Dave Schoenthal:** The Benevolent fund is looking for local causes to support. We paid out \$500 from the Benevolent Fund to Point Richmond Music and paid \$200 for the PRNC PO Box. Current balances: \$1,213.96, Benevolent Fund; \$2,970.94, Wig Wag Fund; \$6,863.00, General Fund.

6. Land Use/Design Review Committee:

- a. 714 Western Drive Project includes a new deck with a partial roof, an outdoor pizza oven, BBQ and gated entry. LUDRC approved project with 4 votes in favor and one abstention. Motion was made for PRNC to approve project; motion was passed with unanimous approval, no votes in opposition.
- b. **Terminal One Project** Katheryn Dienst: Proposed project has been in review for three years. Planning Commission needs to act on two items: 1. Certify the EIR, which was not done since there are some large issues outstanding and 2. they recommended planned area rezone conditions for the site. There have been plan revisions in the final stage at the Planning Commission: Detached single family homes, 2-3 stories closest to shoreline. Total units reduced slightly. Some changes to pier. The project has now been passed to City Council to resolve the remaining open issues.
- 7. Local author "Free your Child From Screen Time" Nancy Sungyun: Nancy is an academic coach who helps children improve their grades. Screen addiction has many negative side effects, whether it is TV, computers, cell phones or video games. Screen addition encourages a sedentary lifestyle, weight gain and behavioral issues such as less patience and shortened attention spans. Excessive screen time also disrupts development of communication skills and empathy which is displayed in cyber bullying. Many parents try to

limit the time children spend online playing video games, but the best solution is to help children find things they love and things they are passionate about doing. If we do what we love find rather than what pacifies us temporarily, then this will enrich us and lead us to living fuller lives. Book is available on Amazon.

8. Masquers Playhouse, David Cole: Earlier this year a facility manager discovered a major roof support beam had a large crack in it, and this beam is an important structural element. An architect and engineer inspected the building and discovered other structural problems with the theater. Project will include ADA remediation and seismic safety improvements. Additional professionals are being consulted and the exact scope of the work is still being determined, as is the total cost and duration of project. Anyone with fundraising experience, engineering experience, architecture experience, or anything else you can offer is greatly appreciated!

9. Committee Reports and Announcements from Point Richmond Non-Profits

- a. **Point Richmond Business Association, Dave Schoenthal:** Upcoming events: July 3 at Craneway, R&B Cellars is hosting an event with \$45 for food and wine; Picnic in Point planning is starting. PRBA meeting is on the 4th Thursday of the month at Hotel Mac.
- b. **Knit & Such, Altha Humphrey:** Crafts, needlepoint and knitting; meets at the community center, Wednesday, July 6 from 1 to 3 pm
- c. **Arts of Point Richmond, Altha Humphrey:** Group formed 8 years ago and is responsible for the wonderful exhibits at the Post Office.
- d. **Women's West Side Improvement Club, Linda Newton:** On vacation for the summer, but gardening activities are still ongoing. Next date: Rose Garden, Saturday, July 16th from 10-12.
- e. Richmond Tennis, Garry Hurlbut: no updates
- f. **Point Richmond History Association:** no updates
- g. Masquers: no updates
- h. TRAC Bay Trail: no updates
- i. Magic Lantern: no updates
- j. Brickyard Cove Alliance for Responsible Development: no updates
- k. Richmond Smart Lighting Coalition The American Medical Association has formally declared the street lights we have are harmful to human and animal health. The AMA has issued a report called "Light Pollution: Adverse Health Effects of Nighttime Lighting" One recommendation is that cities should not use street lights that are too blue, and recommend street lights should be 3000K or lower. Our street lights are 4000K.
- 1. **Red Oak Victory** they condensed July 4th to a July 3rd event.

10. Open Forum

- a. **Vinay Pimple** has launched his campaign to run for city council. Budget was passed on June 28. A few items will be on the ballot in the fall: Tax measures, rent control, and Kids First. With regard to budget: this budget resulted in some concessions from employees including paying part of their own benefits and eliminating vacant positions.
- b. **Cordell Hindler:** The next crime prevention meeting is July 20th at the Rec Center 3230 McDonald Ave from 7 to 8:30, they will have someone from animal control. American Idiot is playing at Contra Costa Civic Theater from June 10th to July 17th youth tickets \$20.
- 11. In Remembrance and Celebration/Adjourn: In memory of the victims of the shooting in Orlando and the terrorism in Turkey and in memory of Annie King-Meredith.

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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Telephone	e-mail	
Signature	Date	





Point Richmond Neighborhood Council July Meeting: Wednesday, July 27, 7:30 p.m. Point Richmond Community Center

- **Point Richmond Summer Concert Series:** Fridays - August 12, September 9, September 23
- Red Oak Victory Home Front Film Festival July 28, 6:30-8:30: Showing the 1943 film "Bombardier"
- **Save the Date:** Picnic in the Point, September 24

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