



## **Once again, we will be beaming our next PRNC meeting directly into the electronic device of your choice!**

I hope everyone had safe and socially distanced holidays.

**Genevieve Pastor-Cohen**, Emergency Services Manager for the City of Richmond Fire Department Office of Emergency Services, is seeking volunteers who are qualified to administer COVID-19 vaccinations at their Richmond vaccination site. This program is in partnership with Contra Costa Health Services. Things are still in the planning stages so details will be forthcoming. Stay tuned!

**Squeamish giving injections?** You could also help your community by becoming a Board Member for the PRNC. There are several important jobs to choose from: Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Chair. June Hight, Charmain Tyler and Buzz Baylis will go into detail as to what the positions entail.

**Or maybe you're more of a sleuth with a nose for investigation?** The PRNC needs help identifying the source of a mysterious odor wafting through our community. Details to follow at Wednesday's meeting!

Don't forget to check out our shiny new website: [www.pointrichmond.org](http://www.pointrichmond.org). See you electronically!

***Peter Thelin***

**President: Point Richmond Neighborhood Council**

The PRNC and LUDRC are advisory only capacity, and cannot approve or deny anything beyond "Recommendations for Development" to the City of Richmond. Our role is to mitigate conflict at the local level.



Wednesday, January 27, 2021, 7:30pm  
Virtual Meeting via Zoom (see access info in email)  
[PointRichmondNeighborhood@gmail.com](mailto:PointRichmondNeighborhood@gmail.com)

## AGENDA

- 7:30 **Call to order and approval of minutes from December 9, 2020** 2 minutes
- 7:32 **President's Report, Peter Thelin** 10 minutes
- 7:42 **Treasurer's Report, Buzz Baylis** 2 minutes
- 7:44 **Membership Report, June Hight** 1 minute
- 7:45 **Descriptions of positions - Membership Chair, Treasurer, Secretary** 15 minutes  
June Hight, Buzz Baylis, Charmain Tyler
- 8:00 **Community Briefs, Part 1 (2 minutes each)** 12 minutes
- Masquers Playhouse, Carl Smith, [www.masquers.org](http://www.masquers.org)
  - Point Richmond Table Tennis Club, Peter Thelin (510) 326-8108
  - Richmond Neighborhood Coordinating Council, Cordell Hindler, <http://richmondneighbors.org>
  - Richmond Tennis, Garry Hurlbut (510) 547-8111 [www.rta-ca.org](http://www.rta-ca.org)
  - USS Red Oak Victory Ship, Graham Perrett, [www.redoakvictory.us](http://www.redoakvictory.us)
  - Women's Westside Improvement Club, Diane Diani <http://pointrichmond.com/wwic>
- 8:12 **Land Use Design Review Committee (LUDRC)** 15/5 minutes
- **Project at Cutting and Canal**
- Items to be considered at the LUDRC meeting must be submitted to Rod Satre, Committee Chair, at [rdsatre@live.com](mailto:rdsatre@live.com), (510) 232-5059, at least two weeks prior to the General Membership meeting.  
**The LUDRC meets monthly prior to the PRNC General Membership meeting at 6:00 pm.**
- 8:32 **Community Briefs, Part 2 (2 minutes each)** 12 minutes
- PR CERT, Edie Alderette-Sellers, (510) 703-2870 [edie@prcert.org](mailto:edie@prcert.org)
  - Point Richmond Business Association, Cordell Hindler, [www.pointrichmondbusiness.com](http://www.pointrichmondbusiness.com)
  - Point Richmond History Association, Bonnie Jo Cullison, <http://pointrichmondhistory.org>
  - Arts of Point Richmond, Mary Lee Cole, [www.artsofpointrichmond.com](http://www.artsofpointrichmond.com)
  - TRAC, Richmond Bay Trail, Bruce Beyaert, [www.pointrichmond.com/baytrail](http://www.pointrichmond.com/baytrail)
  - PRAM, Chrissie Bradley, <https://pram.net/>
- 8:44 **New business: Bob's Cleaners, Sergio Rios** 5 minutes
- 8:49 **Future topic - Air Pollution, Peter Thelin** 10 minutes
- 8:59 **Public Forum (3 speakers, 2 minutes each)** 6 minutes  
Please sign up in advance with June Hight ([pointrichmondneighborhood@gmail.com](mailto:pointrichmondneighborhood@gmail.com))
- 9:05 **In Remembrance and Celebration.**  
If you have something to add, please contact June Hight ([pointrichmondneighborhood@gmail.com](mailto:pointrichmondneighborhood@gmail.com)).



**Point Richmond Neighborhood Council**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
Wednesday, December 9, 2020  
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***Board Members present:***

Peter Thelin, President  
Dave Bleckinger, 1st Vice President  
June Hight, Membership Chair and 2nd VP  
Charmain Tyler, Secretary  
Buzz Baylis, Treasurer  
Garry Hurlbut, Member at Large

***1. Call to order and approval of minutes, Peter Thelin***

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm via Zoom. Minutes were approved. No objections or changes.

***2. President's report, Peter Thelin***

Peter reviewed the action packed agenda.

***3. Treasurer's report, Buzz Baylis***

We brought in close to \$500 in dues this month. New balance \$4,200.

***4. Membership report, June Hight***

We now have 64 active members. You can click on the link on our website to pay your dues.

***5. Update on NextDoor, Facebook, PayPal Accounts, and the PRNC Website, June Hight, Buzz Baylis***

Our NextDoor account is back on. We are adding some other documents for emergency and safety. PayPal is now working, and the money is transferred correctly. Our old Facebook account has been deleted because we are not using it.

***6. Recap of Halloween scavenger hunt and costume contest, June Hight***

Partnering with PRAM went well. Many neighbors put out decorations and kids saw their decorations on the scavenger hunt list. You can see photos on website. Prizes were given for local businesses, keeping it in the community.

***7. Gateway Foundation, Martin McNair, Margi Celluci***

The Gateway Foundation has been active for at least 8 years, when the Mechanics Bank moved into the old railroad depot. There is an agreement to use the rent for grants to nonprofits in the community. Checks are given up to \$5,000.

Some of the grantees are:

Masquers, Changing Tides, Marine Research, Arts of Point Richmond, Read Aloud, Washington Elementary School, Point Richmond History Association, two churches, Point Richmond Summer Music, and PR CERT.

Discussion about how organizations are chosen.

Some organizations expressed their thanks:

- PR CERT: We will buy some emergency supplies and radios.
- Masquers: We will buy a new, green lighting system.
- Arts of Point Richmond is supporting the group called Taking it Outside. They have put up 28 banners all over town.
- First Methodist Church will put in new speakers.
- Read Aloud will give books to children.
- Washington Elementary will pay for the music program and the garden program.
- Point Richmond History Association will put more brass plaques up on historic buildings.

#### **8. Community Briefs, Part 1**

- **Masquers Playhouse, Carl Smith, [www.masquers.org](http://www.masquers.org)**  
Thanks for promoting the virtual festival. Over 400 people tuned in and gave over \$3,000.
- **Point Richmond Table Tennis Club, Peter Thelin**  
Table tennis is challenged by Covid, but we are playing with fun and vigor.
- **Richmond Tennis, Garry Hurlbut**  
They no longer have regular tennis matches because of Covid. They only play singles. Now only household members can be on the court together. Look on the fence at the courts and you will see the names of who won previous matches. They have done gardening around the Plunge. Garry is the door manager for the Zoom meeting. If you sign up as PRNC members it will be easy to let you in. He can only let you in if he has your names.
- **Women's Westside Improvement Club, Diane Diani**  
New garden committee chair: Marlee Prutten. WWIC takes care of rose garden and Map garden. Will be requesting some funding for more garden improvements.

#### **9. Land Use Design Review Committee, Charmain Tyler**

##### **700 Ocean Ave, Lot line adjustment**

This is a large lot, owned by one family. They want to make two parcels so they can build a 2nd house. It was discussed by the LUDRC and plans were accepted as is. LUDRC approved this request, 6-0. PRNC general membership voted to approve. None opposed.

#### **10. Update on Homeless Parking Issue**

- **Leisa Johnson**  
City staff met with community re: sites for RV parking. They have identified and are reviewing 40 sites in regard to proximity of services, water, lighting, and fencing.  
In January City staff will recommend 5 - 10 sites. Leisa is working with the City and County to identify vacant lots. We need to find usable, workable solutions.
- **Daniel Barth, SOS (Safe Organized Spaces)**  
We need to have agreement that we need to get folks from the freeways and the train tracks and into spaces that are safe, have electricity, water and fencing. They all need to be paved so vehicles can drive and park. Daniel has been involved with the Planning Dept for 6-8 months. They are also looking at private sites. They are looking at a one year timeline. They are also looking at shelters and places for sleeping. Daniel is also very involved in cleaning up areas near freeways and BART. It's important to note they are training people to clean up after themselves.
- Margi noted that SOS received Gateway funding through Friends of Recreation.

## **11. Community Briefs, Part 2**

- **PR CERT, Kristen Gates, [kristen@prcert.org](mailto:kristen@prcert.org)**  
They are working to create a strong CERT organization to help out in time of natural disaster. They are preparing for emergency at the neighborhood level. The City is now offering CERT training online. Look at the website for more information: [prcert.org](http://prcert.org)  
Charmain added that they will soon be bringing in a container to use as their base of operations. Also, they are currently doing radio training.
- **Point Richmond History Association, Bonnie Jo Cullison, <http://pointrichmondhistory.org>**  
Because the museum had to close temporarily, they put up display boards in the windows. They also put a screen in the front window which shows many photos. They will insert new panels in the kiosk in January.
- **Arts of Point Richmond, Mary Lee, [artsofpointrichmond.com](http://artsofpointrichmond.com)**  
There is a new exhibit in the post office with local impressionistic scenes. Taking it Outdoors has been a perfect way to show art during the pandemic. Bob published a book of his photographs and his writings. The Annual Christmas Fair will be online. We have over 100 members now. We hope to turn Point Richmond into an arts destination. Please check out our website. We have jewelry, paintings, and photographs online.
- **TRAC, Richmond Bay Trail, Bruce Beyaert, [www.pointrichmond.com/baytrail](http://www.pointrichmond.com/baytrail)**  
There is no representative from TRAC here today, but Garry Hurlbutt wanted to say that TRAC will be given \$2 million for work on the Bay Trail at Point Molate.
- **PRAM, Crissy**  
They are wrapping up the year with a Share the Peace event. They made cards for frontline healthcare workers and seniors with Meals on Wheels. With community pressure, they managed to get playgrounds open again.

## **12. Public Forum**

- Charmain Tyler asked for a big shout out to Sue Rosenof for all the good work on the kiosk and newsletter, even when she just got out of the hospital.
- June Hight said the City will check the lights for the bike path at Garrard and Canal. A bicyclist was hit and killed there. The traffic light is too short. Traffic is turning left across you if you are on a bike.

## **13. In Remembrance and Celebration**

- Charmain's niece Cheryl has Coronavirus. She has been in bed for 11 days and has deep fatigue, bad headaches and painful, burning lungs. Your good, healing thoughts are appreciated.
- Garry said his friend had a baby, named Walter Mack Blackletter. Born 2 weeks ago.
- Dave's grandmother turned 101 but she got Coronavirus and, sadly, she passed away.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Charmain Tyler, PRNC Secretary*



**RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND PAY YOUR DUES!** The dues help cover our administrative expenses and are minimal: \$20 for individuals and \$25 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.**

- New  Individual  
 Renewal  Household

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General Membership Meeting***

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***PRNC will send access info to members via email.***

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