

RB COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
RB Branch Library
Sept. 27, 2007

1. **Call to Order:** 7:00p.m. , followed by Pledge of Allegiance (led by Jeffrey Gamble).
2. **Administrative Matters:** (President votes only when there is a tie vote.)
 - Roll Call: Of 18 members, 16 were present. Absent: Brooke Lambert . Excused: Ken Michael.
 - Minutes: Motion made, seconded and passed to accept minutes of previous meeting as presented (13-0-2).
 - Corresponding Secretary: A thank you letter was reported to have been sent for the vector control presentation.
 - Treasurer's Report: Dorothy reported our balance to be \$7,906.32 in CDs, \$1,487.49 in Checking Account and \$1,232.65 with San Diego Foundation for a balance of \$10,626.46. Motion made, seconded and passed to accept report as presented. (15-0-0).
3. **President's Remarks:** Following the usual introductory comments to our guests in attendance, Robin Kaufman talked about the following:
 - Our Council has sponsored a community wide cleanup on 9/29. Information is posted on our Community News page.
 - Thanks and recognition for their community service were extended by Robin to Wes Peters, who has helped with the Fire Station Renovation Committee. Kathy Keehan, who, as a long time member of the Joint Traffic Committee, eloquently voiced her concerns, and the concern of most Joint Traffic Committee members, of the importance to keep the Joint Traffic Committee as is and not change it as is proposed by the Planning Board. Kathy did this at the September Planning Board meeting. Ken Michael was also recognized for all his efforts in bringing life back into the Government Relations Committee and assisting in obtaining great guest speakers.
 - We received a letter of appreciation from the SD Library Foundation for our financial support.
4. **Resident's Remarks:** *Mary Wagner* spoke to the projected cost and wondered if the amount provided by the City will satisfactorily fund the needed repairs to Fire Station 33. Robin said there will be additional costs and the fund raising will continue to enable the projects' completion. *Bob Ilko* explained that he is running for City Council (5th District) and is appreciative of the community volunteers with whom he'd like to work with.. He described the experience and abilities that he has to offer. Bob also spoke quite well of our scheduled speaker – Capt. Miguel Rosario. *Mitz Lee* announced that she is also running for City Council (5th District) and described the experience and abilities that she has to offer. *Donal Barron* (San Diego County Water Authority) updated us on the Cathodic Protection of the Ramona Pipeline. Later in our meeting (after Captain Rosario's presentation), *Leon Bloom* spoke on behalf of the Bernardo Concerts Association. He explained that their all volunteer, non profit, organization puts on six concerts each year at the Poway Center for the performing arts (\$60 for all six concerts) and he handed out brochures.
5. **Liaison Reports:** (Non Board Members)
 - *Council Member Brian Maienschein* - announced that his office was able to secure a million dollars towards the renovation of Fire Station # 33. He agreed that it will not take care of all of the needs in the fire station and thus our community-raised funds are appreciated to help in this very important project.
 - Mayor Jerry Sander's Representative – *Stephen Lew* told us the Mayor is going to have a community dialogue town meeting on October 25th at 6PM (hopefully in this library). Brent Ison, Policy Advisor for the Mayor talked about the DIF funds being applied to our Station 33 renovation. He explained the Councilmember is proposing to use almost all our community DIF

funds for the Fire Station Renovation Project. He said, with our community almost entirely built out, the DIF funds will not be easily replenished.

- Supervisor Pam Slater-Price's Representative – *Erica Hollaway* told us of Pam Slater-Price's recent efforts to address the childhood obesity problem and her upcoming efforts on the domestic violence problem.

- Assemblyman George Plescia's Representative - Sara Sites was not present to provide a report.

- Senator Dennis Hollingsworth's Representative – Ellen Malin was not present to provide a report.

- Congressman Brian Billbray's Representative – Andrew Lund was not present to provide a report.

- San Diego North Chamber of Commerce – Jim Adelman told us about the very successful Member Appreciation Day on Sept. 17th at the Rancho Bernardo Country Club. He also reminded us of the two upcoming street fairs and an October mixer.

6. **Presentation:** Paul Lennon (Community Relations Officer) introduced Captain Miguel Rosario who presented pertinent information on crime issues relevant to RB and its surrounding areas. The Captain described his past, talked about crime in RB and opened his presentation up for questions.

7. **Agenda Items (Informational Items):**

A) Emergency Preparedness Program's status in the Community, its relationship to the Office of Emergency Services and to the Rancho Bernardo Community Council: - Robin Kaufman provided background on the status of the EPP and its relationship to the Community Council and OES. Robin explained that EPP for years has been under the impression that the Community Council sponsors the program and that the Community Council supplies insurance for EPP. She explained this is not accurate and that the Community Council is not recognized as an organization who can sponsor EPP. She commended the members for their willingness to volunteer to assist the community in the event of a disaster. She further commented on the notice all EPP members received in June from OES stating they needed to destroy their volunteer disaster relief cards as they were not valid. She commented that the members were told by Mr. Harmon, who runs EPP, not to destroy the cards. She also explained how for years the community has been told by EPP that each community center is designated as an evacuation center and that EPP has supplies at each center. This is not accurate as none of the centers have been designated, nor would they due to size, structural stability, etc. EPP could be putting themselves in jeopardy by giving the community this false information. The only ones who can designate evacuation centers are Red Cross, OES, FEMA, etc. These evacuation centers are usually school gymnasiums or other large facilities which are structurally safe and which can accommodate large groups of people. She told us of local CERT classes which will soon take place and encouraged RB residents to avail themselves of those opportunities. *Stasia Place*, OES – confirmed and expanded upon the information provided by Robin about the misunderstandings that had developed with EPP's status. She said that all their volunteer disaster cards are invalid and that there are many means in which they can obtain the proper status to work with the County and City in the event of a disaster in our community.

8. **Agenda Items (Voting Items):** The President abstains from voting, except to break a tie.

A) Filling District C, Oaks North, Vacancy – No one stepped forward, but Robin said she had ID'd a candidate who could not be here tonight.

B) Letter of Support for Bernardo Hills Traffic Calming Project. – Robin reminded us of the explanations provided last month and asked for a resolution to show our support of this pilot program (to be presented again at next month's Planning Board meeting). Motion made, seconded, discussed and passed. (15-0-0)

C) Appointment of Tri-Council Community Elections Representative. – Planning Board is lead group in this year's electoral process. Ken Michael & Frank Auwarter were appointed to represent the Community Council.

D) Approval of Fire Station Account w/Rotary Club. – Motion, made, 2nded, discussed & approved to move Station #33 account from SD Foundation to Rotary Club due to partnership with the Rotary Club (who gave a \$25,000 donation) and a non-interest bearing account with the Rotary Club.(14-1-0).

9. **Standing Committee Reports:**

Government Relations/Utilities – Ken Michael has told Robin that items are moving along well.
Maintenance Assessment District – Frank Auwarter told us of his presentation to Planning Board on RB Welcome signs & PB’s denial of support. Joe Dirks said he & Robin were not permitted to sit on PB during its discussion & vote. Following Council Policy 200-10, the same presentation to obtain support so MAD can obtain designs, etc., for the signs, has been supported by the Recreation Council, Community Council and San Diego North Chamber of Commerce.

Programs – Joe Dirks provided program information set through Jan. of ’08.

Public Relations/Community Elections – Jim Adelman talked about developing dual sponsorships.

Public Safety – Keith Worthington described their regular meeting & informed us of their next meeting.

Traffic & Transportation – Althea reported that they did not have a quorum and thus couldn’t even pass on their minutes. Robin pointed out discussion which took place at the last Traffic meeting with a representative from the City Attorney’s office who basically said that there is no reason for changing the T&T committee to other than how it has been for the last two decades.

10. **Adhoc Committee Reports:** Fire Station Renovation Project – Robin described the upcoming tile painting on the 6th in High Country West (sponsored by McKee’s Tavern).

11. **Liaison Reports:** Planning Board – Joe Dirks provided a summary of what took place at the meeting a week ago (details will be posted on RBCPB web site after minutes are approved).
Recreation Council – Robin reminded us all of the annual Dog Park event coming up on Sunday – Oct. 21st.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Minutes prepared by Joe Dirks from primary (connected to audio system) tape.