

SOUTH BRENTWOOD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
Home of Marylin Krell October 16, 2014 7:00 pm

Call to Order: Marylin Krell, president, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Marylin Krell, Elyse Arbour, Len Blum, Andy and Jackie Raymond, and Pam Taylor. Advisory Board members present were: Laurel Davidson, Todd Nathanson, David Nik, and Debbie Simmons.

Board Members Absent: Lauren Cole, Sue Hirsch, Ray Keller.

Also present was Merri Huang, chair of this Board's Public Safety and Emergency Preparation Committee.

Approval of Minutes: Marylin thanked Tsilah Burman *in absentia* for her thorough recording of the minutes of the September 18, 2014 Board meeting, and then asked for approval of the minutes (previously distributed). Ray Keller has asked that the minutes be corrected to indicate his vote against our support for maximizing parking on the proposed Archer School expansion site in our letter to Councilmember Bonin. Duly noted, a Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. The vote was unanimously in favor with zero abstentions; therefore, the Motion passed.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report – Per Treasurer Andy Raymond: there are no changes to the ledger since our September meeting, with the exception of one check in the amount of \$50.00, payable to Brentwood Presbyterian Church, in memory of Len Babbitt. Current balance in the account is \$4,529.03.

Land Use – The **Kenter Creek Oversight Committee** continues to work with the CD11 office and the local Assembly office regarding restoration efforts. In addition, a letter to realtors is in draft form and will contain a bullet-point summary of the concerns regarding the site. A lengthier, detailed version will be developed for homeowners.

With respect to the **Archer School** expansion, it was noted that the school has agreed to everything raised in Councilman Bonin's letter. The BCC is doing an independent traffic study.

Transportation – A meeting with the **LADOT** was held today regarding the installation of stop signs, at which Marylin Krell was present. Currently, a resident can make a complaint to the LADOT and a study will be done on the subject intersection. If certain criteria are met, the stop signs will be installed, without notification to the surrounding neighborhood. It was suggested that the LADOT notify the Council Office electronically whenever a study is ordered, whereupon, the Council Office will notify leaders in the community.

To see what requests have been made, people can go to MYLADOT.

With respect to the issues surrounding the new stop signs on **Gretna Green**, the Mayor's office is aware of our opposition to the signs and their enforcement. The enforcement will end shortly, and will not be repeated.

Finally, Councilman Bonin's office has advised us that they are working on a solution to the **Bundy-Mayfield** matter. A roundabout will be replacing the stop signs, but even with Councilmember Bonin's help, progress has been painfully slow.

Public Safety and Emergency Preparation – Merri reported that the subcommittee is still asking for additional members. They have been working with the Nextdoor people, the city Department of Emergency Management, and FEMA on dissemination of the “5-Step Plan” for preparedness. It was decided that we will ask an LAFD Battalion Chief to make a short presentation at our next annual general meeting.

Nextdoor Presentation – Marylin will follow-up with Nextdoor Field Managers to gauge the level of response so far.

2015 Annual General Meeting – Two possible dates were mentioned: April 23rd or April 30th. It will depend on our speakers. The AGM subcommittee will begin planning in the next 30 days and report to the Board in December. Debbie Simmons will follow-up with the Postal Service on the refund due to us for the partial late delivery of last year's postcards.

Bru Haus Request – They are asking for an extension of their hours during the holiday season, just as they did last year. A Motion was made and seconded to support their request. The vote was unanimously in favor with zero abstentions; therefore, the Motion passed.

Clothing and Blankets for the Homeless – David Nik stated that his company annually donates unclaimed clothing and blankets from his business to a local charity. It was suggested that we mention this on our web site Home Page, with a video explaining this effort, and asking for donations.

Our next meeting will be held December 11 at Lauren Cole's home.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting, and with a unanimous vote of those present, the Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Taylor,
Secretary