

## **Minutes for SBRA Board Meeting on February 16, 2023**

Present: Elyse Arbour, Laurel Davidson, Sue Hirsch, Judie Hulett, Marylin Krell, Alisa Morgenthaler, Daren Reifsneider, Barbara Roll and Melissa Spagnuolo

**Call to Order: 7:10 p.m. by Melissa Spagnuolo.**

### **Approval of Minutes from Board Meeting on 1/18/23**

- This matter was deferred due to lack of a quorum of voting Board members.

### **Reports:**

- Treasurer's Report Melissa
  - \$5,379.74 in account
    - We received two senior dues payments from non-Board members.
- BCC Meeting on 2/8/23 Daren and Elyse
  - There was a presentation from LASAN regarding LASAN's solid waste services, including the green bin program, and various ordinances, including the single-use plastics reduction ordinance, zero waste city facilities and event ordinance, and expanded polystyrene ban ordinance. (See attached handout)
  - Senior Lead Officer Matt Kirk reported that crime was trending down for the first two months of the year as compared to last year.
    - Mr. Kirk added that Tesla owners should leave their vehicles in Sentry mode when parking them as the cameras are helpful to law enforcement in tracking crimes
  - Michael Amster, new field deputy for Traci Park for West LA, reported that 150 homeless persons who were previously residing in the Ballona Wetlands have been provided housing in hotels for up to two years through the LA Safe Program.
    - Mr. Amster added that they are reviewing the fire roads above Mandeville Canyon to see if such roads need to be repaired or paved.
  - BCC passed a motion proposed by Mandeville Canyon Association and Upper Mandeville HOA to call upon relevant City agencies to map evacuation routes in Brentwood and investigate, repair and make suitable viable evacuation routes

that have fallen into disrepair or have been fenced and investigate viable communication strategies regarding emergency orders.

- The BCC passed a motion supporting changing the Metro's selection of artist Sandow Birk to do a mural at the VA Metro Rail station.
- The BCC passed a motion opposing LA Metro's determination to pursue nearly 100 digital billboard ads throughout the City, including in the sensitive habitat of the Ballona Wetlands and in locations visible from hiking trails in Brentwood.
- The BCC's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party will be held on October 25, 2023.
- Lauren Cole gave a report on the Sepulveda Corridor Project. Lauren has been monitoring the Project for SBRA and will give a report at the next Board meeting.

- Community Safety

Barbara

- Barbara stated that Lior Shily had created a post in Next Door announcing that there will be a meeting tomorrow at 5:00 p.m. in front of Sor Tino's Restaurant with a staff member of Councilmember Traci Park regarding the homeless encampment at that location, 508 S. Barrington .

- Emergency Safety/CERT Events

Judie

- Judie announced that there will be a community meeting sponsored by the LAFD CERT Battalion 4 & 9 on two-way radio communication on 3/14 from 9 am -11 am. The meeting will be held at the LAFD Fire Station 59 community room, 11505 W, Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90025. (See attached handout). Judie mentioned that the meeting is almost full.
- Judie announced that the LAPD West Los Angeles Crime Prevention & Safety Fair will be held at the station parking lot on 2/25/23 from 8:00 am -1:00 p.m. There will be numerous activities at the Fair, including catalytic converters, inspection of children car safety seats and registration of bicycles. (See attached handout).
- Judie stated that the current CERT class will end on 2/23 and that the next CERT class will start in late March. The next class will probably also be held at Fire Station 29 and take seven weeks. She added that approximately 100 persons have taken the class and recommends it highly.
- There was a discussion of available community rooms which are free of charge. Melissa stated that The Colorado Center at Santa Monica and Broadway has a large community room.

Elyse stated that she believed that there was a community room at the YMCA near University High School.

- AGM Committee Marylin/Barbara/Sue/Alisa
  - Members of the AGM Committee gave a report on the 3/1 AGM Committee meeting.

**New Business:**

- Barry Building Demolition – Request for Letter of No Objection or Support Alisa
  - Alisa reported that Mike Ai, Senior Director for the Afriat Consulting Group, Inc., has requested that SBRA send a letter in support or a letter that it has no objection to the proposal by the owner of the Barry Building located at 11973-11975 San Vicente Blvd. (site of the prior Dutton's Bookstore), to demolish the Building. She distributed the draft EIR for the demolition. Alisa explained that the letter is requested prior to the next Board meeting.
  - Since there was no quorum at the meeting, Alisa suggested that a motion be made to either send a letter of support or send a letter of no objection to the proposed demolition based on the votes of the remaining voting Board members. Sue made such a motion, and it was seconded by Melissa. The motion was passed by the five voting Board members in attendance.
  - Following the Board meeting, the voting members of the Board unanimously voted to send a letter in support of the project.
- Meeting with New State Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin and Staff Alisa
  - Alisa reported that BCC Chair, Carolyn Jordan, Thelma Waxman, President-elect of the Brentwood Homeowners Association, and Cori Solomon, President of the Brentwood Glen Homeowners Association, met with our new State Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin and two of her staff, namely, Chief of Staff, Brett Williams, and District Director Jeannette Sanchez-Palacios, on 3/10.
  - Representative Irwin hired a new field representative for Brentwood, Pacific Palisades, Bel Air and Malibu, who started work this week. Her name is Skylar Payab.
  - Representative Irwin is Chair of the Revenue and Taxation Committee and stated that she is opposed to tax increases.
  - Representative Irwin is working on increasing limits on the coverage provided by the California Fair Plan to include coverage for condominiums and separate structures on lots with single family residences.

### **Member Questions and Comments**

- Judie asked for feedback from Board members regarding the apps Group Meet and Slack for use with the Neighbor Network which she administers.

Elyse made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Marilyn seconded the motion, and it was approved.

**8:20 p.m. Adjournment**

**The next meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2023.**

# **LAPD WEST LOS ANGELES DIVISION CRIME PREVENTION & SAFETY FAIR**

**LAPD WEST LOS ANGELES AREA:  
1663 BUTLER AVE. (EAST PARKING LOT)**

**DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2023**

**TIME: 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

**YOU MUST REGISTER FOR AN APPOINTMENT TIME FOR  
CATALYTIC CONVERTER ETCHING. E-MAIL SENIOR LEAD  
OFFICER JIMMY LAVENSON AT [30627@LAPD.ONLINE](mailto:30627@LAPD.ONLINE)  
YOU WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL CONFIRMING YOUR  
APPOINTMENT TIME.**

**FOOD VENDORS WILL BE PRESENT FOR A VARIETY OF  
FOOD AND BEVERAGES**

**FROM 12:00 TO 1:00 PM, JOIN US FOR A Q&A WITH  
CAPTAIN III CRAIG HEREDIA,  
CAPTAIN I YASIR GILLANI AND YOUR WLA SENIOR LEAD  
OFFICERS**



**LAPD SLO'S, DETECTIVES AND  
OTHER PERSONNEL WILL  
PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING  
SERVICES**

**CATALYTIC CONVERTER  
ETCHING**

**CHILDRENS CAR SEAT SAFETY  
INSPECTION AND  
INSTRUCTION BY OUR  
MOTOR OFFICERS**

**REGISTRATION OF ALL  
BICYCLES NEW OR USED.  
[WWW.BIKEINDEX.ORG](http://WWW.BIKEINDEX.ORG)**

**GO COUNTRY 105 FM'S  
MOBILE TEAM WILL BE  
PRESENT WITH GREAT MUSIC  
AND GIVAWAYS**

**MEET OUR YOUTH SERVICE  
OFFICERS AND LEARN ABOUT  
OUR CADET AND JUNIOR  
CADET PROGRAMS**

**COME MEET OUR  
VOLUNTEERS AND VOLUNTEER  
CITIZEN PATROL**

**OUR TEAM WILL EDUCATE  
BICYCLE RIDERS FOR A SAFER  
& MORE ENJOYABLE OUTING.**





# LAFD CERT Battalion 4 & 9 Community Meeting



***Location : LAFD Fire Station 59  
community room.***

***Address : 11505 W Olympic Blvd, Los Angeles  
CA. 90025***

***Date : Saturday March 4th***

***Time : 9:00 am - 11:00 am***

***Subject : Two way Radio Communication***

**class objective:**

- Understanding the characteristics of FRS radio
- Identify typical FRS radio feature and controls
  - Correct operating procedures
- Using your FRS radio effectively during an emergency



**Participants should bring:**  
**FRS radio and manual**  
**Extra batteries**  
**Paper & pen/pencil**

**We can supply a few extra FRS radios for practice.**

To register: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cert-community-radio-skills-class-battalions-4-9-everyones-welcome-tickets-30783787597?aff=incompleteregistration&utm\\_campaign=abandoned\\_order&ref=email&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=eventbrite&utm\\_term=event\\_title\\_p1](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cert-community-radio-skills-class-battalions-4-9-everyones-welcome-tickets-30783787597?aff=incompleteregistration&utm_campaign=abandoned_order&ref=email&utm_medium=email&utm_source=eventbrite&utm_term=event_title_p1)