



TPNA Board Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2019 – 7-8:30PM – 5959 8th Avenue

1. Welcome & Call to order

- Present: Bill Motmans, Terri Barron, Kathy House, Isaac Gonzalez, Jack Ringer, Rose Cabral, Anika Jesi, Nancy Shinn, Dave Orcutt, Kathryn Raley
Absent: Christina Lokke, Kelly Burns
- Captain Jason Bassett introduced himself. He is the new Police Captain for the Tahoe Park area. The crime statistics for the Tahoe Park area are low. Most of the crime is property crime. Catalytic converters being stolen is probably the highest in our area. He said that if you have a Prius, you should park it in the garage. This is a popular vehicle to steal the Cadillac converter out of. He gave his email jbassett@sacpd.org. If you have any questions, feel free to email him. He is excited to be a judge at the Spooktacular at the Food Truck event in October.

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes approved.

4. Guest Speakers

Allison & Sasha, Kinder-Bikin

- Allison and Sasha showed a short video of an 8 seater bike that takes children to school. This is a project that started in France that promotes health living. They want to start this project in Sacramento. They are in the beginning stages and are looking to find grants. They provided a survey that is listed below. Survey - <https://forms.gle/LqhLYtbuPzZCZebq7>

Victoria Vasquez, NeighborWoods Organizer, Sacramento Tree Foundation

- She works primarily in South Sac area due to the fact there are less trees in South Sac than anywhere else in Sacramento. She is funded by CalFire. If you increase the tree canopy by 10%, this decreases health risks like diabetes, obesity, allergies, depression and anxiety. She suggested you watch the movie called "Made in the Shade". This movie was about how Sacramento became the world largest urban forest. The Sacramento Tree Foundation tries to make sure we have the right tree in the right place. The Oak tree is a native tree of Sacramento and has learned how to survive a drought and also a flood. Neighborhoods have been neglecting their tree care. There are many areas with minimal trees. A website called "CalEnviroScreen 3.0", <https://oehha.ca.gov/calenviroscreen/report/calenviroscreen-30> – this site shows the tree canopies in Sacramento. The zip code of 95823 has the highest death rate in California of African American babies. If you increase the tree canopy this could improve this rate. SMUD offers free trees thru the Sacramento Tree Foundation to all of the residents in Sacramento.

Q and A: Jim talked about neighbors not wanting trees since they can be messy and they can screw up the sidewalk and someone might get hurt and sue you.

Victoria stated that you need to have the right tree in the right place and this can prevent the messy sidewalks.

Anika – Does the city ordinance protect Heritage trees if they are on private property?

Victoria - Oaks are protected tree. They started a foundation called “Urban Woods\ Rescue Program. This is a donation of felled that wood goes to the Sacramento Tree Foundation. The foundation has a mill and a kiln from Italy. This will make lumber that you can use. There is cost to cut down Heritage oak trees. The cost goes back to the foundation to plant more trees. A current project is planting trees on highway 99. If you want to cut an Oak tree, you need to call 311 and you also will need a permit.

Rose talked about working on tree campaign in the next year. Events planned are a walking tree tour of the neighborhoods, maybe a screening of the movie Made in the Shade and helping the elderly and disabled neighbors with their trees. If anyone wants to volunteer on tree project to contact TPNA.

- Eric Guerra – The vice mayor talked about Clean Air Day. Eric is the Air District chair for the next 2 years. He is trying to get people to understand the impacts of air quality. They are advocating for a mobility center that will do research and manufacturing for understanding changes to our mobility and finding new zero emission technology solutions and doing them in Sacramento. Eric talked about funding that was just passed to buy new electric school buses but that the buses are being built in Vancouver. Eric said those jobs should be here in Sacramento. They are trying to encourage everyone to improve the air on Clean Air Day.

On the fourth Friday in September at the Food Trucks, Eric is going to sponsor a bike mechanic to work on bikes.

Eric commended Isaac Gonzales for his work on helping the city with the transportation study on Stockton Boulevard to try and improve safety.

The city is also doing a push to do a bus rapid transit system through Stockton Boulevard that will be all electric. The goal is to address issues of mobility and air quality.

If you have any questions for Eric, he can be reached at Eric Guerra email is eguerra@cityofsacramento.org and his phone is 916-808-7006.

Jack mentioned that in previous years the neighborhood association has planted over 75 trees in Tahoe Park and the neighborhood.

5. President's Report

- Rose states that this is 100 days as a new board. She passed out a survey for neighbor feedback. She thanked everyone for the donations of backpacks and school supplies and for all who came out for movie night. She gave Jack \$75 in donations that she received on movie night. Bill asked about the bathroom remodels in the Tahoe Park. Rose did not have a date but thought they were waiting for food trucks to be over before they started. She stated that the lot on 65th street next to the current hotel is going to be another hotel. There is a new crosswalk project started on 14th near Tallac Village.

6. Treasurer's Report

- Jack provided a report on the following account balances:
 - Current Monthly Total \$22,908.04
 - General Fund \$3,624.03
 - Scholarships \$3,450.00
 - Community Garden \$636.09
 - Broadway Improvement \$15,000.00

7. TPNA Committee Reports

- Newsletter – Nancy
Rose has completed the newsletter. We are going to mail to every neighbor in Tahoe Park. Rose will pay out of her own pocket if we don't get sponsors. Nancy and Isaac and Kathy offered \$50. Terrie stated that Rose should present pricing. Teri wanted Rose to come back with pricing and to vote on funding. Rose will present at the next meeting with printing costs and mailing costs. An audience member asked about digital newsletter. Rose said we are trying to go that route but that we are trying to reach everyone by mail. There are some people who don't use the internet and

we are trying to reach every neighbor.

Another audience member stated that she liked to have the physical paper in her hand and she appreciates that we want to mail to everyone. She also stated that the outreach from a year ago has greatly improved and really appreciates all the outreach.

- Membership – Isaac
Isaac stated that the committee is working on the membership database. It is a customer relationship database with automations tools and tracking systems and reminders. Kathryn asked when it will be up and running. Rose said that they have made progress but they need to make sure the technology works right.
- Garden – Nancy
The City Master Gardener came out and spoke at the Tahoe Park garden. He suggested we buy mushroom compost and plant a cover crop of fava beans to improve soil quality. The garden is right next to the building we are in. If the gate is open, come on in and visit.
- Beautification – Isaac
Nothing to report
- Events – Rose
The next meeting is tomorrow night at Sac City Brews. Kathryn talked about an event that they are starting called the Tahoe Park Diners Club. This is a monthly event to go to certain restaurants that give back to TPNA. They are trying to start this in November.
- Fundraising – Rose
We have a meeting at Sac City Bears tomorrow night. We have a goal of raising \$4k for scholarships. Terrie is contacting Suzie Burger for a fundraiser in October. Terrie will get back to us for a date. She is aiming for October 16th.
- Land Use – Bill
Bill talked about a meeting called the Broadway Fruitridge Action Plan for 2040 Update that he and Terrie and few others attended. This was not well attended. Bill talked about a quote from Tiffany Wilson, a Tahoe Park resident. The quote was “We would like to see development without displacement.” There is an interactive website that you can visit for the Broadway Fruitridge Action Plan.

Bill, Anika and Kelly are working on a mission statement. They hope to have it finalized by the next meeting.

Aggie Square – no new meeting this month. Bill urged everyone to let VM Guerra know your thoughts on Aggie Square. Rose said there was an Aggie Square bus tour that took developers down Stockton Boulevard to look at the opportunities.

Sac City Unified School bus issue/Maita Circle update –Bill talked about the neighbors’ concerns of the busses that back up into Maita Circle. Eric Guerra sent a letter dated Aug 14, 2019 to Sac City School that says he would like further testing on the noise, light and emissions issues.

Rose asked if the board wants to write a letter. Bill said yes, we should write a letter.

Diana McKenna spoke. She lives on Maita Circle. She stated the noise from the buses have been a nightmare. She is worried about the carbon monoxide emitting from the buses. There was report done prior to this project that there were certain requirements that have been met. She does not think the requirements have been met. She thinks this project is lowering her property values. The

report stated that the project should make the area quieter but it is not quieter. She wants the board to write a letter to the school district. She wants to feel safe and enjoy her yard.

Sandra who lives on Maita Circle also spoke on this issue and stated they would like support from the board. The busses are close to their houses and emit particulates and this is a health hazard. They have filed a complaint with the EPA and the EPA referred them back to the school district. She will be at the Air District on October 2 to voice her concern. The busses start making noise at 5 am. The busses have alarms and beep early in the morning. She would appreciate the support of the board.

Rose mentioned that she talked with VM Guerra when she met with him previously. This is always a topic on her agenda when she meets with VM Guerra.

Isaac made a motion to have the Land Use Committee draft a letter in support of the neighbors that describes the issues they are facing.

Rose asked that letter also reference the central kitchen. A decision was made to only include the Maita Circle issue. The motion was approved. Bill volunteered to write the letter.

Isaac talked about the Quick Quack Car Wash that was brought up in the previous meeting. He stated the Sacramento City Council Law and Legislation committee voted unanimously to send a proposal to the city council to ban automobile servicing and storage business on Stockton and Broadway.

Bill talked about the Quick Quack issue and said that these type of issues should go thru the Land Use Committee first before they come to the TPNA meetings. Bill heard loud and clear that the city does not want Quick Quack. They heard that before they even got a chance to talk to the community. Bill believes that every developer should be able to come to the land use and get a fair shot before everyone's mind is made up.

The Land Use next meeting is Monday, September 16, 2019 at 6 pm.

- Scholarship – Bill
We have mailed 1 check to a recipient.

Bill stated that he did not go Johnson High School. He went to Christian Brothers High School. CB's motto is "Enter to learn, leave to serve". That is what Bill has tried to do since leaving high school.

8. Unfinished Business
Nothing to report

9. New Business
Nothing to Report.

10. Public Comment/Announcements

Nicky Hanna – She thanked the board for wanting to write the letter. She wanted the neighbors to have input on the letter. Bill said yes. She stated that the school district cut down a 100 year old tree. She would like to have more trees come back and have a green belt.

Rose talked about the Spooktacular in Tahoe Park on October 25th. They are looking for volunteers and donations.

Community Against Sexual Harm (CASH) – is having a fundraiser at Oak Park Brewing on September

16th,

Clean Air Day is October 2, 2019.

Dave made a suggestion that we budget our time for different speakers and hold ourselves accountable collectively and not just the time keepers job.

October 7, 2019 is the next board meeting.

11. Meeting Adjourned 8:30

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