**Pierpont Bay Community Council**

**General Meeting Minutes**

Date: September 21, 2021

Location: VIA ZOOM

Time: 7:00 PM

Participants: M. Almeida, L. Almeida, K. Hovey and H. Stern +15 other participants

**7:04 PM -** Meeting was called to order by M. Almeida.

**7:05 PM** – Secretary’s Report – H. Stern provided a brief summary of the agenda and discussion from last Board Meeting held on 9/7/21.

**7:05 PM -** Treasurer’s Report **–** T. Foley was not in attendance and M. Almeida reported no material changes.

**7:06 PM -** Police Report **-** Assistant Chief David Dickey presented the latest 28-day Ventura Police Crime Report for the Pierpont area – there were 24 incidents: 11 thefts; 3 aggravated assaults; no commercial burglaries; no residential burglaries; 7 robberies and 3 motor vehicle thefts. One city and regional trend on the rise is the stealing of catalytic converters. D. Dickey encouraged residents to park in well-lit areas. Unfortunately, the microwave data cameras at Marina Park and South Seaward have been down and hope to be repaired and functioning shortly. Lastly, D. Dicky reported on the recent assault at the Ventura Pier. Fortunately,the VCPD responded within three minutes (exceeding their goal of five minutes) of the incident and the suspect (who had an extensive criminal history) was taken under custody.

**7:17 PM** – State Parks – Tyson Butzke was not in attendance, so no report was presented.

No Committee Reports were presented due to the absence of Committee members.

**7:18 PM** – Guest Speaker: Dan Wall, Emergency Manager – City of Ventura provided a brief presentation: This week is the last week of National Preparedness Month where the City is doing community outreach to teach others about Preparedness and being ready for disasters and to limit their impact. He encouraged residents to sign up for VC Alert, an emergency notification system.

Guest Speaker: Dan Clerici, Director of Downtown Ventura Partners gave a presentation and update on the current Outdoor Dining Program and its future. The Downtown Main Street program was implemented last year with much continued community support and a conceptual design presentation will be made to the city on October 25 on advanced studies that should be taken to determine approaches and alternatives to make this outdoor dining more permanent. Mr. Clerici encouraged residents to go on the [www.futureofmain.info](http://www.futureofmain.info) website which is a community engagement tool to provide feedback and comments.

Finally, Mary Joyce Ivers, of the City of Ventura gave a brief update on the status of Pierpont Lanes street sweeping as a few residents have inquired about this to Councilmember Joe Schroeder. Mr. Ivers reported that street sweeping on the lanes was discontinued around FY 2014-15 at the request of the PBCC due to many complaints. However, due to the demand by many residents, the city will resume a Pierpont Lane street sweeping pilot program on October 19th and 20th on Driftwood, Norwich and Weymouth Lanes. Additionally, street sweeping will resume monthly on Greenock Lane. The subcontractor performing the sweeping will be using a small broom sweet and follow-up will be done with the PBCC on its effectiveness. H. Stern and one participant noted that they do not recall that the PBCC requested that this service be discontinued.

**7:45 PM –** Marina Park Playground Replacement Project **–** K. Hoveyprovided an update: as previously noted, the city allocated a $550k budget for this project. K. Hovey thanked Robin Birney and Kayce Wysaski for their help in gathering community feedback. After all the data was submitted and the various design options considered, Kompan was the vendor chosen due to the company’s adaptive play equipment selection, creative play value and affordability. Pacific Coast Land Design will now come up with a final design. The next sub-committee meeting will be held on October 21. Once the final design is approved, it is anticipated that this project will be completed within one year.

**7:50 PM** – Open Discussion/New Business – There was one comment from a participant questioning the reliability of data when reporting a Police Report for a car theft. This participant filled out a report that asked if car was locked or unlocked but did not ask a third question of “do not know”.

M. Almeida noted that the next General Meeting will be held on October 19, 2021.

**7:55 PM** – Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned by M. Almeida.