



ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Attention: Arleta NC 9300 Laurel Cyn., 2nd Floor Arleta, CA 91331

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Minutes of the Arleta Neighborhood Council

General

Board Meeting Tuesday, September 19, 2017

President Jaime Gallo called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present:

John Hernandez, Jaime Gallo, Margaret Shoemaker, Raymond Duran, Gary Gallon, Joshua Duran, Joy Bizar, Guy Newell, Kenneth Nguyen, Jesse Ramos, Eloiza Sanchez, Fernando Moreno, Drew Fischer (arrived at 6:55 p.m.)

Board Members Absent Excused: Loyce Lacson

Board Members Absent: Raul Pineda

Comments/Announcements from Government Officials:

Congressman Tony Cardenas – field deputy, Jackie Serrano announced that she is available to assist with any Federal issues. She announced that there will be a Job Fair at Los Angeles Mission College this Thursday, September 21, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Campus Center. She spoke about a Grant Workshop being held this Friday at the Van Nuys Civic Center at 9:00 a.m.— how to be more competitive when applying for a grant. The Congressman is back in Washington D.C.

L.A.P.D. – **Arleta Senior Lead Officer, Tracy Ware** and **Panorama City Senior Lead Officer, Sean Smith** gave updates on RVs taking up residence in our neighborhoods. Citations were written on Canterbury Avenue. The people were made to move. They are keeping track ...the second citation will double the fine. Crime updates were given and a map showing the crimes and locations was distributed. Officer Smith answered questions regarding concerns of transients and prostitution at the CVS parking lot. Officer Ware is using ACE and the current municipal code to remove vendors at Branford Park.

General Public Comment –

The ANC was asked to consider a letter of support for the Metro Regional Rail Safety.

Stakeholders from Osborne Neighborhood Church spoke about the problems with accelerated drug use and sales near them. They asked what they can do as community neighborhood partners.

Vanessa Serrano from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment stated that there is some information with links regarding our 2018-2019 elections. There are options for the ANC to consider. If we do nothing, the ANC elections will be in 2019. There is an online survey we are asked to take before the end of the month.

Board Business:

Motion 1/Seconded/Carried – John Hernandez – move to approve the ANC General Board Meeting minutes dated August 15, 2017. (Second by Drew Fischer) The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2/Seconded/Carried – John Hernandez – move to approve the ANC Monthly Treasurer's Report including the Monthly Expenditure Report (M.E.R.) for August 2017. (Second by Guy Newell). The motion passed unanimously.

Presentations:

Dave Brown, a representative from the Southern California Preparedness Foundation spoke about the 10th Annual Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair to be held on October 7, 2017. This year it will be located at the north side of Northridge Mall. It will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Motion 3/Seconded/Carried – Margaret Shoemaker – move that the ANC allocate \$300.00 to the Southern California Preparedness Foundation in support of the 10th Annual Valley Preparedness Fair on Saturday, October 7, 2017. (Second by Eloiza Sanchez) The motion passed unanimously,

Vacancies on the ANC Board:

President Jaime Gallo announced that there is one vacant seat on the ANC Board –

School Representative. He asked if there was anyone interested in applying for the School Representative Seat. There were none.

<u>Possible Motion/Discussion/Vote on a possible board action to appoint a Vice-President to the Arleta Neighborhood Council:</u>

Motion 4/Seconded/Carried – Margaret Shoemaker – move to approve Raymond Duran as Vice-President of the Arleta Neighborhood Council. (Second by John Hernandez) The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 5/Seconded/Carried – Fernando Moreno – Move to change the ANC General Board Meeting date to December 5, 2017. (Second by John Hernandez)

Committee Reports:

Outreach Committee – Raymond Duran stated that they are considering sponsoring a Boy Scout Troop. They are looking for a location to hold monthly Boy Scout meetings.

Community Improvement Committee – Jaime Gallo reported that they are planning to hold a meeting next week.

Board Member Comments:

Jesse Ramos stated that he is in support of a light rail project from Sylmar to the Orange line at San Fernando Road. He wants the CIC to investigate further.

Guy Newell has concerns with safety – "No Parking" signs are being ignored.

John Hernandez announced that he is co-sponsoring a free Wills and Trusts Estate Planning Seminar to be held on September 23, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. It will be held at the VEDC Entrepreneur Center 13420 Van Nuys Blvd. Pacoima, CA 91331

There was a request that the executive committee look at attendance. There has been some board members that have repeated absences.

Drew Fischer thanked everyone for coming together to make Arleta a great community.

Joy Bizar recommended attendance at the Wills and Trusts Estate Planning Seminar. She is trying to get homeless shelters to open early.

Several board members congratulated Raymond Duran as the new ANC Vice-President and thanked stakeholders for coming out and working as a team.

It was stated that North Hills East Neighborhood Council authorized \$2,000.00 for the "Jaws of Life" at LAFD Station 7. However, Panorama City Neighborhood Council denied funds to share in the expense of the "Jaws of Life" for LAFD Station 7.

General Public Comment:

A stakeholder thanked the board for voting to purchase the Holmatro ("Jaws of Life") for Fire Station 7. She stated that the LAFD is very excited. She hopes to meet with L.A. City Council District 6 to make it happen.

Stakeholders from Osborne Neighborhood Church stated that they are excited to partner with the ANC and offered their Church as a possible meeting location for the ANC.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.