



Neighborhood Council



**Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council**

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**Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, December 2, 2020  
Zoom Meeting  
7:00PM – 9:08PM Meeting  
(APPROVED)**

**Regular Meeting Location:**  
[Gault Street Elementary School](#)  
[17000 Gault Street](#)  
[Lake Balboa CA 91406](#)  
*(MAIL NOT ACCEPTED AT THIS ADDRESS)*

Boardmember	Roll Call	Funding Vote Eligible*	Category
James Brown 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Present	YES	Residential
Katie Cronin	Present	YES	Organization
Ruth Doxsee	Present	YES	Residential
Linda Gravani President	Present	YES	Business
Sandra Joseph 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Present	YES	Residential
Gary Kay	Present	YES	At-Large***
Danica Middleton Secretary	Present	YES	Residential
Allen Nelson	Absent	NO	At-Large***
Carol Newman	Present	YES	Business
Mary Pennomon	Absent	NO	Senior
Jeremy Pisanic	Present	YES	Residential
Linda Pruet	Absent	NO	Organization
Thomas Riley	Present	YES	Organization
Linda Schwering	Present	YES	At-Large
James "Jim" Stein Treasurer	Present	YES	Business
Vacant			Youth
Vacant			Residential
<b>TOTAL: 15</b>	<b>PRESENT 12, Absent 3</b>		

\*Funding vote eligibility key: A=age less than 18 yrs.; E=Ethics training; F=Funding training; N=not taken; X=expired \*\* Advance notice given for absence \*\*\*At Large Appointed

1. Call meeting to order welcome to our Stakeholders and guests. **The Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM**

Ms. Gravani welcomed the Stakeholders and read section 900.- L.A. City Charter Sec 900. Purpose (Of Neighborhood Councils) To promote more citizen participation in government and make government more responsive to local needs, a citywide system of Neighborhood Councils and a Department of Neighborhood Empowerment is created. Neighborhood councils shall include representatives of the many diverse interests in communities and shall have an advisory role on issues of concern to the neighborhood. We are a department within the city of Los Angeles. We are required to follow city and state laws. The Brown Act does not allow us to discuss anything that is NOT on tonight's agenda. Items are on time limits so that the

meeting will end around 9:30PM. Time allocations are approximate and may be shortened or lengthened at the discretion of the President. The time keeper is: James Brown

2. Pledge of Allegiance – **The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Brown.**
3. Roll Call - **Quorum is 9 – Quorum was met.**

<b>LBNC ITEM 3. Roll Call (7:04 PM)</b>		
<b>Present –12</b>	Absent-00	<b>Excused-03</b>
Brown, Cronin, Doxsee, Gravani, Joseph, Kay, Middleton, Newman, Pisanic, Riley, Schwering, Stein	None	Nelson, Pennomon, Pruet

4. LBNC has accepted the **resignation** of Carla Bautista and Emma Scott- **Reviewed by Ms. Gravani.**
5. Poll- Allen Nelson, Mary Pennomon and Linda Pruet regarding mandatory **FUNDING** training to determine if they are eligible to vote. – **Nelson, Pennomon, and Pruet are Absent. All present Boardmembers here at the meeting are eligible to vote.**
6. Adoption of the **Agenda** for December 2, 2020 - **#19 change to motion to \$60/month per year \$720.00, #10 Mr. Cope has withdrawn.**

Public Comment: No comment

**Motion Passed (7:05 PM)**

<b>LBNC ITEM 6. Motion to adopt the Agenda as corrected for December 2, 2020 Moved: Middleton</b>			
<b>Second: Brown</b>			
<b>Yes –12</b>	No-00	Ineligible-00	<b>Absent-03</b>
Brown, Cronin, Doxsee, Gravani, Joseph, Kay, Middleton, Newman, Pisanic, Riley, Schwering, Stein	None	None	Nelson, Pennomon, Pruet

7. Discussion and possible action for the Approval of **Minutes for November 4, 2020 meeting**

Public Comment: No comment

**Motion Passed (7:07 PM)**

<b>LBNC ITEM 7. Motion to Approve the Minutes for November 4, 2020 meeting Moved: Doxsee</b>			
<b>Second: Brown</b>			
<b>Yes –12</b>	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	<b>Absent-03</b>
Brown, Cronin, Doxsee, Gravani, Joseph, Kay, Middleton, Newman, Pisanic, Riley, Schwering, Stein	None	None	Nelson, Pennomon, Pruet

8. Announcements and Reports: Representatives of LAPD, Local, City, County, State
  - a. West Valley LAPD **Captain David Grimes** 31168@lapd.online –
    - i. Senior Lead Officers (SLOs) - 1-877-ASK-LAPD
    - ii. **Officer (Para) Smith - 34488@lapd.online – Currently on loan to another Department.**
    - iii. **Officer Fuentes - 40093@lapd.online** Officer Fuentes is covering both areas. **Property Crime is down 8%, Aggravated Assault is down 2.9% in Officer Smith’s area. Aggravated assaults in Officer Fuentes area is up 44%, this includes Domestic. Covid-**

**19 quarantine are affecting these numbers especially kids are not running around outside expending their energy.**

**For Domestic Violence call 911, Penny Lane is an organization to contact if you need help with resources. Do not hesitate to call 911 or text it- texting works. There are not as many officers, be patient.**

- b. LA Councilwoman's **Martinez's** office (CD 6) 818-778-4999 Field Deputy – [Jonah.Glickman@lacity.org](mailto:Jonah.Glickman@lacity.org) **The Council President has been working hard passing motions for relief Covid and the Homeless. Feed La will be using local YMCAs as community hubs. They will provide services, Ms. Martinez pushed for Homeless Unaccompanied women to be considered a special population. They live in horrible unsafe conditions. The first of the fifteen Project Home Key Locations has opened. Parthenia Place in CD6 will provide 40 units of permanent supportive housing for families experiencing Homelessness. Tomorrow the Council Office will be hosting a diaper give away at Van Nuys City Hall, and on Saturday is The Gift of Reading is a book and science kit give away. Steve Leffert, "when Is the Council Woman going to get a website?" She does have a website and Social Media accounts. If people need resources have them contact the Council Office.**
- c. LA Mayor **Garcetti's** office **East Valley Area Rep –** [Caroline.Menjivar@lacity.org](mailto:Caroline.Menjivar@lacity.org) 213-713-0597-**Absent**
- d. LA City Attorney's Office – 213-978-8100
  - i. Neighborhood Prosecutor – [Michael.Liu@lacity.org](mailto:Michael.Liu@lacity.org) 818-374-6837 **On December 5, 2020, there will be a Gun Buy Back Event at 14750 Sherman Way. The Probations Code has changed. It used to be up to three years for Probation. It will now be cut back to one year.**
  - ii. Community Resource Specialist – [Cynthia.Hernandez@lacity.org](mailto:Cynthia.Hernandez@lacity.org) 818-374-6839-**Absent**
- e. LA City Planning Liaison [Ariel.Jones@lacity.org](mailto:Ariel.Jones@lacity.org) 213-820-4255-**Absent**
- f. LAUSD **Scott Schmerelson's** office (District 3) 818-654-3785 School Engagement and Data Specialist [Tara.Vahdani@lausd.net](mailto:Tara.Vahdani@lausd.net) 818-654-3785-**The District offers free Covid Testing. The grab and go food Centers are still open. They will be open during Winter Break. Are your kids experiencing social issues due to Covid? The Districts are offering Hangouts with Secondary Students. Contact Mr. Schmerelson's office for more information. There is a Survey online to give your opinion about opening schools. The District is not sure when the schools will open.**
- g. LAUSD **Dr. Eric Maxey** Administrator, Community of Schools-Reseda [ejm9800@lausd.net](mailto:ejm9800@lausd.net) 818-668-1051- **Absent**

- h. LAUSD **Kelly Gonez** office (District 6) 818-212-6687 - Dir of Community Engagement & Advocacy  
[Michael.Menjivar@lausd.net](mailto:Michael.Menjivar@lausd.net)- **Absent**
- i. LAUSD Northwest District Administrator Parent/Community Engagement-**Gonsalo Garay** -  
[ggg9445@lausd.net](mailto:ggg9445@lausd.net) 818-654-3600- **Absent**
- j. LA County Supervisor **Sheila Kuehl's** office (District 3) 818-902-3831 District Director Benita Trujillo [btrujillo@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:btrujillo@bos.lacounty.gov) – **Absent**
- k. **CA Assembly Member Adrin Nazarian's** office (District 46) 818-376-4246  
[Stephanie.Mkhlian@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Stephanie.Mkhlian@asm.ca.gov) – The office has handled 2,500 to 3,000 EDD cases.  
**There will be a Holiday Toy and Food Drive at First Christian Church off of Colfax. There are several partners.**
- l. **CA State Senator Robert Hertzberg's** Office (District 18) - 818-901-5588  
[Hannah.Kelley@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Hannah.Kelley@sen.ca.gov)- **Absent**
- m. CA State Senator **Henry Stern's** Office (District 27) - 818-876-3352 –[Jeremy.Wolf@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Jeremy.Wolf@sen.ca.gov)  
and SFV representative [Denise.Kniter@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Denise.Kniter@sen.ca.gov) – **Absent**
- n. US Representative **Tony Cardenas** (District 29) 818-782-7407 [Osvaldo.Ramirez@mail.house.gov](mailto:Osvaldo.Ramirez@mail.house.gov)  
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**The House passed the Covid Home Safety Act. Doctors are reporting more in-home injuries due to people being home because of Covid. This Act directs the Consumer Product Safety Commission to do a study of the increase in injuries caused by in home products to seniors, people with disabilities, and children due to Covid stay at home orders.**  
**The next stimulus package is in the works. Our office can reach out to the IRS if you have not received your Stimulus check. There is an income recovery credit for those who think they qualified for stimulus but didn't get it. If you have any questions, call the office 818-782-7407**
- o. US Representative **Brad Sherman** – (District 30) - 818-501-9200  
[Mary.Chakerian@mail.house.gov](mailto:Mary.Chakerian@mail.house.gov)  
-**Absent**
- p. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) 818-374-9898 - **Betty Wong Oyama THE BEST NC Advocate...** [betty.wong@lacity.org](mailto:betty.wong@lacity.org) 818-374-9896- **Ms. Wong-Oyama talked about Planning 101 training for all members of the Planning and Land Use Committee she recommends all Boardmembers take it. PLUM Committees need to be ratified and the vote sent to the Department. The new Bylaw wording has been uploaded to your Bylaws. Ms. Wong- Oyama went over the changes. The NC Social Media Policy is still open for comments until February.**  
**Betty Wong Oyama has been a phenomenal inspiration and leader to our Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council. The City of Los Angeles will sorely miss your talents and knowledge but more than that the LBNC Board will miss our friend. I tried to be sly to get your home address but Betty didn't take the hint, so sorry no flowers. All the very best to you as you become a full-time grandma. We will miss you Betty! - Stated by Ms. Gravani.**

## **Bylaws: ARTICLE V GOVERNING BOARD**

**Section 6: Vacancies – Read by Ms. Gravani, Vacancies on the Board shall be filled using the following procedure:**

- a. Any Community Stakeholder interested in filling a vacancy on the Board shall submit a written application to the Board, providing that Community Stakeholder is qualified for that particular seat.**
- b. The Board shall cause the matter to be placed on the agenda for the next regular meeting of the Board.**
- c. The Board shall vote on the application at the meeting. If multiple applications for one (1) seat have been submitted, the candidate with the most votes wins. In the event of a tie, a coin toss between the candidates with the most votes shall determine the seat appointment. The candidate who wins shall fill the remaining term of the Board seat unless an election or selection occurs sooner.**

**The Next Board Election will be in 2023. -Stated by Ms. Gravani.**

- 9. Discussion and possible Appointment of applicant to LBNC YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE Board Seat – 2 applicants. Your names were all deposited in a bowl to determine in which order you will speak. My daughter pulled the names. Jasmine Garcia and Noah Rodriguez are the Candidates. Thank you Jasmine and Noah for wanting to help your community. You each will be given 2 minutes to tell us about yourself and what prompted you to want to join the LBNC Board. James Brown will advise TIME when your time is up. Since the Youth Rep is age defined. Take questions from the board and stakeholders. PLEASE, raise your zoom hand or \*9 so that we know you have a question and wait to be called on. The two Candidates are Jasmine Garcia and Noah Rodriguez. – Ms. Gravani**

**Both Candidates stated their backgrounds and interest in the joining the Board. Both Youth Candidates are under the age of eighteen years old. The Board continued with questions and answers for the Candidates to be fully vetted. Questions from Stakeholders are listed below.**

**Jasmine Garcia is a Senior at Lake Balboa College Preparatory. Ms. Garcia has been the Class President for the last three years and is the Historian for the School's PTA. She was recommended to the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council by the Board District School Student Advisory Council. She has also been the representative for the last three years. Ms. Garcia is also on the School Site Council and has successfully completed all of the prerequisites through the Dual Enrollment Program at Pierce College. She is concerned about crime and wants to help lower the crime rate.**

**Noah Rodriguez currently attends Notre Dame High School. He has been on the Junior Varsity Lacrosse Team for the last two years and is on the Academic Honor Roll. His interests are History, Politics and Community Service. His participation on the Neighborhood Council will allow him the opportunity to answer his call to action for Leadership and Community Involvement. He would like to help address crime and help with Neighborhood Watch.**

**VOTE:** The Brown Act requires all votes to be open and verbal. Should you not be selected, we can still use your help. Secretary to poll each board member who will identify which of the two names is their first choice. If there is a tie, EX: top 2 get 6 each, then entire board polled on those top 2.

Public Comment: **Mr. Kalaydjian- How will you help with Civic Engagement for students and youth?**

**A/ Jasmine- Her mom is the Community Representative. She will work with her to share information to parents and she will share with the students.**

**A/Noah-He would do Outreach.**

**Won Vote (7:54PM)**

<b>LBNC ITEM 9. Vote to appoint Jasmine Garcia to the LBNC Youth Representative Board Seat.</b>			
<b>Yes –07</b>	<b>No-03</b>	<b>Abstain-02</b>	<b>Absent-03</b>
Brown, Cronin, Doxsee, Joseph, Kay, Newman, Pisanic	Riley, Schwering, Stein	Gravani, Middleton	Nelson, Pennomon, Pruett

**Lost Vote**

<b>LBNC ITEM 9. Vote to appoint Noah Rodriguez to the LBNC Youth Representative Board Seat.</b>			
<b>Yes –03</b>	<b>No-07</b>	<b>Abstain-02</b>	<b>Absent-03</b>
Riley, Schwering, Stein	Brown, Cronin, Doxsee, Joseph Kay, Newman, Pisanic	Gravani, Middleton	Nelson, Pennomon, Pruett

**10. Discussion and possible Appointment of applicant to LBNC RESIDENTIAL REPRESENTATIVE Board Seat – 6 Applications were received by: Adam Driggers, James Pope (withdrew his application), Gregory Meyers, Jennifer Brent, David Woolfe, and Annie Hanion. All Candidates were invited to the meeting. Only, David Woolf and Annie Hanion attended the meeting and were eligible.**

**Thank you for stepping forward to help our community. You each will be given 2 minutes to tell us about yourself and what prompted you to want to join the LBNC Board. James Brown will advise TIME when your time is up. After each applicant speaks the board and stakeholders will be able to ask questions. PLEASE raise your zoom hand or \*9 so that we know you have a question and wait to be called on- Ms. Gravani**

**Both Candidates stated their backgrounds and interest in the joining the Board. The Board continued with questions and answers for the Candidates to be fully vetted. Questions from Stakeholders are listed below.**

**David Woolf was born in North Hollywood, went to Reseda High School, California State University Northridge and attended Whittier Law School. Participating in Public Service started for him at the age of sixteen years old. He has worked for Zev Yaroslavsky. Mr. Woolf does Pro Bono work on immigration cases and while he has worked for larger firms, he started his own practice 3 months ago. He has a passion for the Criminal Justice system and would like to help reform it at the County Level. Mr. Woolf helped to write a Bill with Senator Henry Stern.**

**Annie Hanion and her husband have lived in Los Angeles for 20 years with the last six years in Lake Balboa. She is originally from Boston. Her Career is in Entertainment and she runs a Comedy Tech Podcast. She heard about the Neighborhood Council on Next Door. Ms. Hanion would love to be on the board and will be happy to help on committees. The Podcast could be used to help with NC outreach by letting people know what you are doing and help with awareness. She would like to focus on the local Business Economy and is interested in the Sepulveda Basin.**

**VOTE: The Brown Act requires all votes to be open and verbal. Should you not be selected, you can still serve our community by becoming committee members and/or Neighborhood Watch block captains. The Secretary will poll each Boardmember who will identify which of the applicants is their first choice. – Stated by Ms. Gravani**

**Public Comment: Stakeholder Q/ Mr. Kalaydjian What will you bring to Lake Balboa and if you do not win will you be a on a committee?**

**A/David Will bring his passion and energy and will join a committee**

**A/Annie She agrees and will bring the same, energy and passion and will join a committee.**

**Lost Vote (8:12 PM)**

<b>LBNC ITEM 10. Vote to appoint David Woolf to the Residential Representative Seat.</b>			
<b>Yes –03</b>	<b>No-08</b>	<b>Abstain-01</b>	<b>Absent-03</b>
Newman, Pisanic, Stein	Brown, Doxsee, Gravani, Joseph, Kay, Middleton, Riley, Schwering,	Cronin	Nelson, Pennomon, Pruet

**Won Vote**

<b>LBNC ITEM 10. Vote to appoint Annie Hanion to the Residential Representative Seat.</b>			
<b>Yes –08</b>	<b>No-03</b>	<b>Abstain-01</b>	<b>Absent-03</b>
Brown, Doxsee, Gravani, Joseph, Kay, Middleton, Riley, Schwering	Newman, Pisanic, Stein	Cronin	Nelson, Pennomon, Pruet

**Thank you to all of the applicants. Congratulations to Jasmine Garcia and Annie Hanion!**

**11. Oath of office for newly appointed LBNC Board Members. The Oath of Office was administered by Betty Wong- Oyama. Ms. Gravani reminded them to complete the mandatory trainings. She will be contacting them.**

**12. PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments from Public on Non-Agenda items, Issues, L.A. City**

- a. **Mr. Kalaydjian spoke about the NCs getting together to help the homeless and to help find solutions. Would like LBNC to choose a liaison.**
- b. **Stakeholder Olivia is on the Steering Committee of WVNAH. They Educate the public and to help provide Services to the homeless. They recently had a successful outreach event and a Town Hall with City Controller Ron Galperin. The next meeting will be this Sunday at 3:00 PM.**

**Charter Sec. 909. Annual City Budget Priorities.**

**Each neighborhood council may present to the Mayor and Council an annual list of priorities for the City budget. The Mayor shall inform certified neighborhood councils of the deadline for submission so that the input may be considered in a timely fashion. See [www.budgetadvocates.com](http://www.budgetadvocates.com) for 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 White Paper recommendations**

**13. Budget Advocate - Updates, (budgetadvocates.com) Ms. Newman reported that the Budget Advocates are 36 people elected by the Neighborhood Councils, 3 in each Region to weigh in on the City Budget. We look at the City Budget from the top down. At the end of the last Fiscal Year. The CAO is scheduled to give an updated report in December. The Budget is about 700 Million Dollars in**

the hole. The Finance Committee Chair, Paul Krekorian says that some employees will have to be cut. They are renegotiating labor agreements. There are some openings if you are interested.

Patricia- a Budget Advocate with the Encino Neighborhood Council, is working on the reconstruction and protection, of the Sepulveda Wildlife Basin. It is the Wild West out there. There are two wildlife areas in the City, the Sepulveda Basin has been completely burned down.

#### 14. ANNOUNCEMENTS and REPORTS:

- a. President Update:
  - i. **Committee chairs, be sure your agendas are correct. If you are scheduled to have a monthly meeting, an agenda MUST be forwarded even if it will be cancelled. Be sure your zoom information follows DONE guidelines.**
  - ii. **LBNC best practice will REQUIRE each Boardmember to have your video on from beginning to end of the LBNC meeting to verify that you are present.**
- b. Ad Hoc Education – Linda Gravani –**The Committee has not developed a plan as of yet.**
- c. Emergency Preparedness - Linda Pruett **Ms. Joseph gave the report. There is an upcoming meeting of the E.P. Committee on Saturday, December 12, 2020 from 9:00AM-11:00AM The speaker will be Jeff Edelstein, owner of SOS Survival products. The topic will be Holiday Gifts and upcoming classes.**
- d. RYLAN (Ready Your LA Neighborhood- **No Report**
- e. Health & Public Safety- James Brown- **Last meeting we discussed how important it is to get a Covid test. He urges everyone to do so. It is important to know where you stand. CDC has a self-check that you can do on their website. The LAPD will continue as normal. The issues before the City Council are the homeless and how the Police can do some enforcement. This will be the topic of discussion at the December 19, 2020 Health and Public Safety Meeting.**
- f. Land Use - Tom Riley-**The Meeting for the Community Plan is December 8, 2020 at 1:00PM. How we would like Lake Balboa to grow and be over the next fifteen to twenty year? It is the future of Lake Balboa**
- g. Ad Hoc Neighborhood Watch – Linda Gravani – **LBNC has been divided into 18 zones for which we need Boardmembers to host the zoom meetings, when we get stakeholders who are willing to be Block Captains.**
- h. Outreach – Jeremy Pisanic- **We are connecting with the community to get people involved. He apologizes for not getting items on tonight’s agenda.**
- i. Recreation & Park - Jim Stein – **No Report**
- j. Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Areas Steering Committee (SBWASC) - There was a photo presentation shown by Doxsee. **11.24.20 SBWASC Meeting Summary- submitted by Ms. Doxsee.**



- i. **The Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Reserve is one of two wildlife reserves in Los Angeles. It is not an ordinary park for people, but for the wildlife. People are to stay on marked trails and are forbidden to walk their dog, bike, hunt, fish, swim, harass wildlife, feed wildlife, fly kites, play soccer, fly drones and set up encampments. Pat Bates designed new signs in English and Spanish to educate the public and they are on order.**
- ii. **Jonah Glickman's report: Revision of master plan for the Sepulveda Basin was waived out of committee and passed City Council Nov. 10. Committee members decried the lack of transparency in such a move and requested a town hall meeting to ensure their input is heard. He will convey message.**
- iii. **Number of homeless in Basin is down to 50. Operation Room Key has been a big success in getting them out of the wildlife area.**
- iv. **The arsonist who set 9/6 fire which resulted in a homicide is still in custody, as well as one other.**
- v. **A stakeholder brought up that a homeless person has set little fires at Victory and Odessa. Jonah responded that this man is a veteran, has been offered services from several different agencies, but is resistant to moving. LAFD is aware of him and has responded to calls.**
- vi. **16 tons of water lettuce were removed from Wildlife Lake by Dept. of Rec & Parks and spraying of the herbicide diquat bromide continues weekly to keep it under control.**
- vii. **Discussion regarding trees burned and damaged or killed by the 9/6 fire: Committee favors keeping damaged or dead trees for wildlife habitat. Risk manager for Dept. of Rec & Parks and Forestry Division arborist explained how, once a risk has been identified, it behooves them to remove it when it is deemed dangerous to avoid liability lawsuits from individuals getting hit by falling limbs or trees. The San Fernando Valley Audubon hired an independent arborist to assess trees and once the Forestry manager has seen his report, he will confer with the Audubon about trees needing to be removed, but will notify them before removal takes place. For trees in better shape, they will wait until spring when signs of life will become evident.**
- viii. **Nurit Katz of Los Angeles Audubon Society will be the new Committee Chair beginning January 2021.**
- ix. **A special meeting will be held Tuesday, Dec. 29 at 6:30pm via Zoom to discuss the Recovery Plan from the 9/6 Fire. See [www.sepulvedabasinwildlife.org](http://www.sepulvedabasinwildlife.org) for more information.**

- k. Volunteer Community Patrol - Mary Pennomon – **Mr. Brown gave the report. Operations continue to move forward and they are looking for more volunteers.**
- l. Boardmembers: **There will be a free food giveaway on December 18, 2020 from 10:00AM to 3:00PM. They need volunteers to help with food distribution contact: James Brown at [James.B@LakeBalboanc.org](mailto:James.B@LakeBalboanc.org). Mayor Garcetti announced a relief fund for restaurant workers to receive \$880.00 but you need to apply at [LACity.org/serve](http://LACity.org/serve). - Mr. Brown**
- m. Liasons:
  - i. Resilient Los Angeles - Linda Pruett [www.lamayor.org/resilience](http://www.lamayor.org/resilience) -**No Report**
- n. Alliances:
  - i. West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness -**No Report**

15. **BUDGET:** Discussion and possible action regarding approval of **October** Monthly Expense Report (MER)

Public Comment: No comment

**Motion Passed (8:46 PM)**

<b>LBNC ITEM 15. Motion to Approve the October Monthly Expense Report (MER) Moved: Stein Second: Brown</b>			
<b>Yes –12</b>	<b>Abstain-00</b>	<b>Ineligible-00</b>	<b>Absent-03</b>
Brown, Cronin, Doxsee, Gravani, Joseph, Kay, Middleton, Newman Pisanic, Riley, Schwering, Stein	None	None	Nelson, Pennomon, Pruett

- 16. UPDATE Regarding the status of **Valley Intercommunity Council and LBNC’s Neighborhood Purposes Grant. Ms. Gravani stated that this has been an ongoing battle. The City Attorney will not approve anything. We will write a new Neighborhood Purposes Grant at the beginning of the year.**
- 17. UPDATE regarding **LBNC Community Center/Jue Joe Ranch- Mr. Riley said the owners tore the house down over the weekend, so there will be no Community Center. It is a great loss.**
- 18. Discussion and possible action regarding the **LA County Health Department** and the ongoing problem of rats in a specific area of LBNC. **In 2018 the area stakeholders finally had enough, contacted the NBC4 news, a camera crew came out and yes, news at 11 LA County Health came in and monitored the required progress. However the issues remain to this day. Two rats can potentially parent 1250 in a year, a neighbor paid over \$1,000 in 3 months to clear out 43 rats invading her home not to mention the rats appearing out of 5 other neighbors’ toilets. This is a huge problem. I have been asked to help our neighbors get past the log jam. As president I have the authority to help motivate the authorities, however, I want you the LBNC Board to be aware of the problem and know that I will be pushing the envelope. I am seeking your endorsement**

Public Comment: Mr. Kalaydjian -The County should send a Supervisor out. Contact Ms. Barger’s office.

**Motion Passed (8:54 PM)**

<b>LBNC ITEM 18. Motion to Approve that the LBNC president be authorized, on behalf of our community, to do all possible to help eradicate the rat issue in Neighborhood Watch Zone 8 in Lake Balboa. Moved: Gravani Second: Joseph</b>
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<b>Yes –12</b>	<b>Abstain-00</b>	<b>Ineligible-00</b>	<b>Absent-03</b>
Brown, Cronin, Doxsee, Gravani, Joseph, Kay, Middleton, Newman, Pisanic, Riley, Schwering, Stein	None	None	Nelson, Pennomon, Pruett

Mr. Kay Left the Meeting at 9:00PM

19. **FUNDING:** Discussion and possible action regarding **survey software to poll our stakeholders. The current LBNC database is under 2,000 stakeholders. The new Neighborhood Watch committee has its goal to create at least 1 NW group in each of the 18 zones, which will increase the database. LBNC should be tagging our new stakeholders based on their interests (EP, H&PS, Land Use) as well as polling them on their opinions. In order to accomplish this, LBNC will need a survey software. Aaron Devandry, our webmaster, will be working on developing the tags etc. for us and as of now, the specific product that would be best is unknown. As a basis, SURVEY MONKEY is \$27 per month x 12 months = \$324 per person x two people =\$648/year plus tax. Since LBNC doesn't meet again until Feb 2021, I would like LBNC to allocate up to \$720 per year for a survey software. – Ms. Gravani**

Public Comment: No comment

**Motion Passed (9:00 PM)**

<b>LBNC ITEM 19. Motion for LBNC to allocate up to \$60 per month, which may be invoiced yearly, for a survey software product to target stakeholders' interests. Moved: Gravani Second: Middleton</b>			
<b>Yes –11</b>	<b>No-00</b>	<b>Ineligible-00</b>	<b>Absent-04</b>
Brown, Cronin, Doxsee, Gravani, Joseph, Middleton, Newman, Pisanic, Riley, Schwering, Stein	None	None	Kay, Nelson, Pennomon, Pruett

20. Thank you LBNC Board Members for all you do for our community – **Enjoy the HOLIDAYS, next meeting February 3, 2021.**

21. **Adjourn.** (no vote needed) **Meeting Adjourned at 9:08PM**

**NO LBNC MEETING IN JANUARY**

**Next Regular Meeting of the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council  
Wednesday February 3, 2021 at 7:00 PM**