

GRIFFITH PARK ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES, NOVEMBER 19,2020

1. CALL TO ORDER, absent Bryan Merke and Mike Hain joining later
2. MINUTES, remove IAN PHILLIPS as 'absent' then approved
3. SPECIAL GUESTS, none. Jason publically acknowledges and thanks Catherine Landers from CD4 for her dedication and work with the board.
4. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jerome, has video of the incident he briefed us on regarding Chief.

Marian ,FOGP newsletter coming out soon

Kristina , wanting to be certain the LH letter of support for motorbikes to be used by Rangers in emergencies was received.

Jason, introduces and welcomes Chris Laib back to the board.

5. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

Los Angeles Parks Foundation presentation on ongoing plans for the Commonwealth Nursery Presented by Katherine Pakradouni and Carolyn Ramsay. Updates on preserving and enhancing open space, sustainable, educational demonstration garden , propagated seed bank 'Seed to Landscape' demonstration. Will continue to collaborate with local environmental organizations and volunteers. Will only be operational during business hours as the nursery is located in a working, gated maintenance yard. Many educational opportunities to come, board is enthusiastically supportive. This project is funded via Nature Conservancy grant and the LA Parks Foundation.

Public comment include Jerome inquiring if traffic would increase and say city vehicles are not stopping at stop sign. Marian says design looks terrific.

Shelia Irani presents plans for dog waste station and lending library for Lake Hollywood Park to be donated by Hollywood United Neighborhood Council (HUNC) . HUNC has already purchased these items for this park. RAP will not absorb any cost associated with these installations. Bag refills, book refills and content monitoring, maintenance on structures and repairs will be the responsibility of HUNC and LHHA. Council office and LHHA are in support . HUNC would like signage placed on both to recognize the donation. Board supports both items and will offer a letter of support. Jason will draft.

Committee Structure discussion, Jason Greenwald

Ongoing conversation on shaping standing committees .Michelle wants to see Communications Committee be more of a community engagement committee and focus on engaging and recognizing and outreaching to a more diverse group of park users.

6. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Restrooms at Section 9 and near Tunnel 1 to be removed. Closed for more than 20 years they will be replaced with trees and picnic benches.

Drinking fountain for Ferraro – Working on getting a new fountain as the old one is outdated. New ones include water bottle refilling option. Other locations in this area are currently not able to have fountains due to lack of domestic water lines.

Mulholland Fence, fence was installed to protect trees while they mature enough to block Sign view. Will schedule an onsite meeting with those who have concerns about the fence.

Wonderview pedestrian gate, ongoing and hopefully approved to be installed soon. DWP funded to allow park to be secured at night. There will be a panic bar installed for safety.

Education, lists many in the park and will report back with a more comprehensive list.

Crime and Safety, Rangers report uptick in vandalism at Old Zoo. Board requests monthly reports.

Maintenance, many ongoing projects and good work done by crews.

7. Adjournment 8:24pm