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PRNC Special Meeting
Saturday, January 30, 2016
Shepherd Church
19700 Rinaldi Street
Porter Ranch, California 91326
Room 132 enter off Corbin
-The parking is available on site.

8:00 a.m. – Special Board Meeting
This will be a general board meeting to catch up on business issues.

1. Welcome -- President Paula Cracium called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Reminder to sign in and that it is completely optional and not required for attendance. Ms. Cracium noted.

2. Roll Call – Secretary Eric Nam

Board Members who were present introduced themselves: Paula Cracium (President), Pat Pope (Vice-President), Eric Nam (Secretary) Sean O'Rourke, (Treasurer 1), Armando Nunez II (Treasurer 2) Becky Leveque, Alex Kim, Cheri Derohanian, and David Balen. Board members Sue Hammarlund and Cindy Lee were absent. Also in attendance were a few guests and stakeholders.

The PRNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needed to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is seven. (Please see <http://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/PorterRanchNC-Bylaws.pdf>) so the Board could take such votes. All 11 of the 11 Board Seats were filled either by appointment or election.

6. President's Comments and Updates - President Paula Cracium

Ms Cracium wanted to thank everyone for showing up so early on a Saturday morning. Ms. Cracium stated that the general meetings have been more topical as we help the community navigate through this crisis where the PRNC's concern should be, but now it is time that the PRNC deal with other board business.

3. Motion – Secretary Eric Nam: Motion to approve December 2, 2015 minutes. Sean O'Rourke seconded the motion.

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Minutes approved as corrected.

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Motion – Secretary Eric Nam: Motion to approve December 14, 2015 minutes. David Balen seconded the motion

This item was tabled so that the minutes may be corrected as per Ms. Leveque's request.

4. Treasurers' Report -- Treasurer 1 Sean O'Rourke

Mr. O'Rourke said that at the last meeting in January he had prepared 3 months of Monthly Expenditure Report's. However, when he went to print them yesterday, he could not find them. Mr. O'Rourke extended his apologies to the board. He will redo the reports and have them ready for the next meeting. PRNC has approximately \$22,000 to spend before June 30th and Mr. O'Rourke has been given assurances by DONE that given the circumstances of past few months extensions will be given to the PRNC.

5. Motion – Treasurer 1 Sean O'Rourke: Motion to approve MER for October/November/December Motion to approve MER's

This item was tabled until the next meeting.

7. Community / Governmental Updates and Announcements:

Dusty Russell just wanted to touch on what is going on in Sacramento with regards to the 2016-2017 budgets, a new bipartisan initiative having to do with chronic homelessness, legislative priorities including those having to do with Aliso Canyon. Highlights of the proposed budget included adding \$2 Billion to the rainy day fund, boosting spending per student and continuing investment in the Local Control Funding Formula ("LCFF") a proposed \$1.6 Billion early education block grant and keeping UC/CSU tuition at a flat rate and that is holding with the 2011-2012 level which addresses the affordability concerns.

Mr. Russell than moved on to the State's infrastructure proposed budget which outlines a transportation package, which focuses to improve maintenance on highways/roads, extend public transit and improve public trade routes. Mr. Russell stated that there is now \$3.1 Billion to support clean transportation programs and reduce short lived climate pollutants which protect natural eco

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systems and benefit disadvantage communities.

Mr. Russell stated that in order to counter the effects of poverty the state will increase minimum wage to \$10 per hour continues funding to earned income tax credit and lastly provides a cost of living increase age, blind and disabled individuals through supplemental security income state supplemental payment program. The senate recently announced a bi-partisan initiative to address chronic homelessness, 22% of the nation's homeless reside in California. The initiative is referred to as the "No Place Like Home Initiative" and it is based on research and best practices. It will repurpose Prop 63 funds which is a bond from 2004 that focuses on the mental health services act and would help leverage money from local, state and federal funding. Additional resources would help to increase affordable housing short and long term, extend programs for those who are either disabled or in need of mental health assistance.

Ms. Cracium stated that at the PRCC meeting last night the subject of the return home strategy came up. It is currently being proposed by the Gas Co. to give residents only 48 hours after leak is certified fixed for residents to return home. This is a huge concern in that that is not enough time in addition to the other concerns people have and that it is not being deemed safe at the time when the leak is fixed. Ms. Cracium would like to write email to governor to that affect and that 48 hours is simply unreasonable to ask homeowner's to return to the area.

Ms. Cracium stated that she would like to have some type of roadmap as to dates, deadlines and times, what is going to happen and when within a set time period. Ms. Cracium would like to insure that when it is time for residents to move back home that they are comfortable in doing so.

Board member, David Balen wanted to know about the current lawsuit against the gas company by the City and who does it benefit? Who has jurisdiction? And ultimately what would be the distribution?

Councilman Englander put together a CAG to take pressure off of the PRNC. However, board member Becky Leveque felt that she and many others like her who do not belong to an HOA are being represented. Paula who is the moderator of the CAG says she not only reps the PRNC but the community as well and that she tries hard to remain neutral and insure that everyone is heard.

Andre Hollings, Field Representative from Assemblyman Scott Wilk's office just reiterated what was told to the PRNC by Dusty Russell with regards to Senator Pavley bill which puts into effect moratorium on the injections of natural gas into any of the wells at the Aliso Canyon Storage Facility passed in the Senate 40-0. The issue has a lot of bipartisan support. Assemblyman Wilk's is proposing to double the statute in which claims can be made in relation to the gas leak as there may or may not be long-term health effects.

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Kevin Taylor, representative from Mayor Garcetti's office says now that he is in City Hall that he is impressed as to how it all works with regards to the coordination of our legislators and how quickly legislation is put into play. Mr. Taylor stated that two days ago, the Mayor met with the PRNC and the Save Porter Ranch organization after having just left a briefing on the issue of the gas leak.

8. Motion – Vice President Pat Pope: Motion to approve Send an official letter from the PRNC signed by President Paula Cracium to Senator Pavley and Assemblyman Wilk thanking them both for their support during the gas leak crisis and formally supporting SB 886, SB 887, and SB 888 co-sponsored by Senator Pavley and Assemblyman Wilk. Sean O'Rourke seconded the motion.

SB 886 creates a moratorium on new injections of gas into the Aliso Canyon facility until it is certified as safe.

SB 887 requires stepped up inspection of all gas storage facilities

SB 888 requires the Gas Company to pay for the costs associated with the leak without using ratepayer funds.

Board member Pat Pope stated that SB 886 is now SB 380. He does not know why the number changed but it is essentially the same language. Mr. Pope then read the letter to those in attendance. Letters to Wilk and Pavley are identical. Alex Kim stated that he has no problem with the letter but would like to see it ahead of time and feels that getting it at the meeting and being expected to vote on it is unreasonable. Mr. Pope agreed and said that there had just been a lot of scrambling going on and he wanted Paula Cracium's approval before sending it to the board.

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of eight of the nine eligible voters present with eight in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Derohanian, Kim, Balen, Leveque, Nam, Nunez, O'Rourke and Pope). Presidents/Presiding Officers can choose whether or not to vote; if they don't a vote can still be unanimous.]

9. Motion – Sue Hammarlund: Motion to spend \$500. To purchase items on the West Valley Animal Shelter wish list.

This item was tabled.

10. Discussion - Armando Nunez: Discussion on the possible members of the election committee and give an election update.

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Ms. Molly Taylor, Independent Elections Administrator (IEA) for Porter Ranch's region. Speaking as a board member of another NC (Glassell Park), just wanted to take a moment to recognize the great work that is being done for the community. Porter Ranch on different timeline and is currently following Region 9 & 12 although Porter Ranch is technically Region 2. Timelines move fast and deadlines come quickly and certain information has to get out to the community timely. Registration for online voting has opened up. Region 9 & 12 election date is June 11, 2016 will take place at Porter Ranch Community School and candidate registration is from February 27, 2016 - April 12, 2016. Online voting will take place between May 21, 2016 – June 11 2016. Cutoff date is June 4, 2016 for registration for online voting. All information for online voting can be found at www.empowerla.org

This year the neighborhood councils are being given the opportunity to higher an Independent Elections Chair at the rate of \$2,000.00 per neighborhood council and whose duty it is to work along your elections and outreach committees and pull together all of the details for your elections and there are a lot and since PRNC has a lot going on in its community at this time it may be something the board would like to consider. Some duties include recruiting candidates, planning election-day events and town halls to name a few. Individual is selected by and through the City. Armando Nunez stated that he felt the Elections Committee should take this up at a later discussion.

The discussion then turned to expanding the election committee to include more board members and according to the Bylaws the most appropriate way is through an ad hoc committee. Armando Nunez spoke with Melvin Canas at DONE and he says this is the recommended way to handle this committee and unlike a standing committee an ad hoc committee can meet whenever they feel like, do not have to post minutes and are not subject to the Brown Act. No more than 3 board members can be on the committee and no stakeholders may participate. However, if the committee chooses to include stakeholders then it automatically becomes subject to the Brown Act. Any meetings and any decisions would not be finalized until coming before the full board for a vote at a regular meeting.

11. Motion – Armando Nunez: Motion to approve new members of the Election committee. David Balen seconded the motion.

David Balen and Cheri Derohanian are recommended to join the Election Committee by chair, Armando Nunez.

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favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Balen, Leveque, Nam, Nunez O'Rourke, Pope and Cracium,). One abstention (Kim). Presidents/Presiding Officers can choose whether or not to vote; if they don't a vote can still be unanimous.]

12. Motion - Alex Kim: Motion to provide \$3000 for SOLID to show our appreciation to LAPD Devonshire DIV. for their hard work during this difficult time in our community. SOLID had already submitted the NPG form few months ago.

This item was tabled.

13. Motion - Alex Kim: Motion to provide \$3000 for YMCA so they can provide scholarship to Porter ranch seniors for their membership dues

This item was tabled.

14. Motion - Alex Kim: Motion to provide \$2000 for Save porter ranch to support their community out-reach expenses. Only to be used to cover the expenses for printings and web site management. (SPR is a non-profit community organization)

This item was tabled.

15. Motion - Alex Kim: Motion to provide \$2000 ea. to PTSA of PRCS and Castle bay to be used as they see necessary to ease the pain of their transition to temporary school locations Gas Leak

This item was tabled.

16. Discussion – Sue Hammarlund: Discussion of the actual purchases and delivery Sean has made. Re: wireless microphones. Also what happened to all the items in storage at PRCS.

This item was tabled.

17. Gas Leak Team Updates:

- i. Paula – general navigation of the issue**
- ii. Sean - on the ongoing up to the minute communication and publishing needs**

Sean says there has been a lot of press due to the gas leak and says there is so much information out there and that we all want to get out there but if it is something that can wait until the next newsletter which contains specific

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information then we hold it until then, however if there is something that needs to be immediately released put it on social media i.e. Facebook and Twitter.

iii. Eric and Pat - email and phone call correspondence

If Eric cannot get to the emails or voicemails, then Pat will take care of it or delegate it to someone else on the board to respond accordingly. Pat stated that the volume of emails are higher, than normal and Eric and Pat are both trying to make sure nothing is missed.

• **Community groups:**

i. Sue and Becky – our community schools response and recovery

Becky Leveque says that people will be pleased with the classrooms with new air conditioning and carpeting. Students staying out until at least Fall 2016.

ii. David Balen – Homeowner concerns

iii. Alex Kim - the stakeholder group Save Porter Ranch – update on governmental meetings

Alex Kim speaks as a stakeholder of Porter Ranch and on behalf of Save Porter Ranch. Alex Kim is liaison between PRNC and Save Porter Ranch. Alex Kim then held a sign then that read “Shut It All Down” and went on to name various organizations that they have met with.

iv. Cindy- posting meeting notices- and any concerns from the In Christ Community Church and particularly the non-English speaking Korean community.

v. Cheri – VANC-LANC-BONC-Empower LA – keep them updated and be a conduit on this issue to these organizations. Possible presentation by PRNC at the next VANC meeting.

VANC has contacted Cheri about possibility about someone from neighborhood council presenting about what has been happening here in the Porter Ranch Community and how it might affect other communities. Cheri has also nominated the PRNC for an award.

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18. Discussion – Paula Cracium, President: Discussion on hosting future Town Hall type meetings and other meeting re: the leak and our leadership role.

Paula stated that Save Porter Ranch has done a good job getting out their message out but that the PRNC has maybe not done as good of a job on our part with regulators. Ms. Cracium would like to set-up a number of meetings with other government legislators. All meetings will be about the gas leak with different legislators.

19. Discussion – Paula Cracium, President: Discussion regarding ideas on the revitalization Porter Ranch after the leak is fixed.

This item was tabled.

20. Committee and Focus Group updates: This item was tabled

- **Land Use Committee – Eric Nam**
- **Budget Advocates- Becky Leveque/Armando Nunez**
- **Youth Ambassadors Ad Hoc Committee-Becky Leveque/Cheri Derohanian**
- **Focus Areas**
 - **Beautification (Clean Ups, Trees, Parks, etc.)-Sue Hammarlund/ Alex Kim**
 - **Elections -Armando Nunez (2016 Election Chair)-**
 - **Senior Adult Involvement-Becky Leveque/Sue Hammarlund/Alex Kim**

21. Public Comment - Kevin Taylor when you send agenda to DONE any stakeholder can sign up and receive it from the City through their early notification system.

22. Future meetings - February 17, 2016 will be a regular board meeting and in the future Town Hall meetings will be held separately i.e. different day and time.

23. Motion to adjourn - Paula Cracium moved to adjourned the meeting at 10:49am.