

WEST OF TWIN PEAKS 19 ASSOCIATIONS CENTRAL COUNCIL MINUTES -
SEPTEMBER 26, 2011

13 Associations Present:

Balboa Terrace, Roger Ritter
Forest Hill, Walt Farrell
Forest Knolls, Walter Caplan
Greater West Portal, Rae Doyle
Ingleside Terraces, Paul Conroy
Midtown Terrace, George Wooding
Miraloma Park, Karen Breslin
Monterey Heights, Tony Wlazlo
Neighbors of Arden Wood, Matt Chamberlain
Pine Lake Park, Don Dutil
St. Francis Woods, Carolyn Squeri
Westwood Highlands, Dave Bisho
The Woods, Judith Clarke

Guests Present:

Mike Karns, City Attorney
Emily Tam, Balboa Terrace
Mitch Bull, Westside Observer
John Gavin, Ed Lee for Mayor
Mary Ritter, Balboa Terrace
Norman Yee, Board of Education
Sasha Martinez, Joanna Rees for Mayor
Joel Engardio, Engardio for District 7
Mike Garcia, Merced Manor
Ashley Summers, Fiona Ma's Office
Gus Guibert, Forest Hill
Avrum Shepard, Greater West Portal
Elliot Wagner, West Portal Merchants
F.X. Crowley

6 Associations Absent

Lakeshore Acres Improvement Club, Lakeside
Property Owners Association, Merced Manor,
Mount Sutro Homeowners, Sherwood Forest,
Twin Peaks Improvement Association

Officers Present:

Matt Chamberlain, President
George Wooding, Vice President
Carolyn Squeri, Treasurer
Blue Mudbhary, Secretary
Roger Ritter, Parliamentarian

Meeting called to order: 7:30 pm. There was a short meeting introduction about plans and goals from our President, Matt Chamberlain. And then Dave Bisho presented an award to George Wooding for his service as last year's WOTPCC President.

Minutes: June 27, 2011 minutes approved (as amended by Paul Conroy, see final draft on the website) - Don Dutil moved and Avrum Shepard seconded.

Treasurer's Report: Carolyn Squeri reported that Directors' Insurance has been paid and the donation to the Mayoral Forum has been made; the balance in the treasury is \$5912.

Old Business: There was a discussion of the West Portal Community Benefits District - a special designation wherein the merchants and renters of West Portal would voluntarily tax themselves to improve the area (by installing benches and plants, cleaning the sidewalks, and so on). GWPNA has

donated money in support. Eliot Wagner stated that the merchants in West Portal are split. Avrum Shepard moved that WOTPCC write a letter of support for the West Portal CBD, and Don Dutil seconded. A vote was taken and it did not pass, the vote was 7 Nos to 5 Yeses (one abstention).

New Committee Discussions: Matt Chamberlain announced the formation of two short duration committees for WOTPCC. The first committee would be the "Goals for the Year" committee, to determine what issues are important to our members. There are no volunteers yet for this committee – please contact the Recording Secretary if you are interested in participating. The second committee is the "Bylaws Review and Recommendations" committee – Paul Conroy, Dave Bisho and Roger Ritter have volunteered for this, and will provide recommendations for changes by the November meeting. We also reviewed the existing 2011-12 committees and Matt Chamberlain announced that the chair position for the Planning & Land Use committee is open.

Candidates Forum Update: The chair of this committee, Roger Ritter, briefed us on the work done to put on the Forum October 1st. He put out a last call for volunteers for that day, starting at 9am.

Committee Reports: Technology: Avrum Shepard asked all member organizations to look at the redesigned website for WOPTCC and give their input; Public Health: George Wooding reported that CPMC is building their hospital on Van Ness and that SF General has started their rebuild; Open Space & Parks: George Wooding reported that the EIR on the soccer field in Golden Gate Park that will be replaced by synthetic turf will be on October 19th; Planning & Land Use: no report; Transportation: Avrum Shepard reported that parking fines and meter rates are going to go up.

Guest Speakers: **Michael Karns**, from the City Attorney's office, introduced himself and spoke about his division, which protects against blight and neighborhood nuisances. **Norman Yee**, the Vice President of SFUSD, spoke in support of the Proposition A bond, which would allocate money for improvement to schools – among them Miraloma, Sunnyside, SOTA and Powell.

New Business: Paul Conroy of Ingleside Terraces reported on a pool hall that wants to open where the senior center is on Ocean (at Fairfield). It would be open until 1AM (2AM on weekends) and neighbors in the adjacent neighborhoods (Ingleside Terraces and Mount Davidson Manor) are concerned about late hours and parking problems. We will discuss again at the next meeting.

Ranked Choice Voting: George Wooding reviewed this and pointed to his article in the Westside Observer. He advised that one's first choice vote is most important, and answered questions.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 pm.

2011 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

Fourth Monday of every month -- January 24, February 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27 (annual meeting), September 26, October 24, November 28. No meetings July, August & December.

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS: Balboa Terrace – Forest Hill - Forest Knolls - Greater West Portal - Ingleside Terraces - Lakeshore Acres - Lakeside Property Owners - Neighbors of Arden Wood - Merced Manor – Midtown Terrace - Miraloma Park Improvement Club - Monterey Heights – Mount Sutro Homeowners - Pine Lake Park - St Francis Homes - Sherwood Forest - Twin Peaks Improvement Association - Westwood Highlands – The Woods