

**Minutes of the Point Richmond Neighborhood Council Meeting  
Point Richmond Community Center, April 25, 2007**

**Don Woodrow, President; Rod Satre, First Vice President, Fred Frye, Second Vice President; Susan Elwell,  
Secretary; Scott Gillespie, Treasurer**

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Don Woodrow

**Police Report:**

Officer Lance Griffin(lgriffin@richmondpd.net (510) 621-1212 x 7061) reported that there were 30 more calls this month than last month, including 9 stolen cars, 13 suspicious vehicles and 14 reports of disturbances. Members reported lots of panhandling and minor criminal activity at the Chevron station, including seeing two men shooting drugs. Shirley Butt said that the door of Interactive Resources was kicked in one night and a laptop computer and projector were stolen. Since being run out of Ferry Point, hookers have been plying their trade at the gravel parking area on East Scenic, as well as other locations on East Scenic and Buena Vista. To report any suspicious activity, call (510) 233-1214 and email [PDBeat1@richmondpd.net](mailto:PDBeat1@richmondpd.net)

**Treasurer's Report::**

Scott reported that as of April 2, 2007, Point Richmond Neighborhood Committee is a non-profit corporation. In that regard, he has written a check for \$8,611.31 from PRNC to Point Richmond Neighborhood Committee, a California non-profit corporation. The segregated Bishop Alley Path Fund (\$707.51) and Ferry Point Fund (\$686.12) have been deposited in separate savings accounts. The only outstanding items are for the corporation to apply to the state Franchise Tax Board and the Internal Revenue Service for non-profit status.

**Review of Minutes; Announcements:** The March minutes were approved.

Tom Carson is looking for more volunteers for Washington School's Jr. Achievement program on May 22. There will be training on May 14 for anyone who is interested. Call Tom at (510) 234-9326 for more information.

**RNCC and Other Announcements:** Margaret Morkowski reminded us that the Point Richmond Business Association has scheduled the Stroll Tuesday, May 17 from 5 to 8 p.m. Hold the date! On May 5, the Methodist Church will hold it's annual Junktique Sale. From the RNCC, she brought brochures outlining how West Contra Costa County residents can take advantage of the Household Hazardous Waste Facility at 101 Pittsburg Avenue (one block off Richmond Parkway) which is open Thursdays, Fridays and the first Saturday of every month 9 am to 4 pm, closed 12 to 12:30 for lunch. For more information, call 1-888-412-9277 or visit [www.recyclemore.com](http://www.recyclemore.com). Margaret reported that Chief Magnus attended the RNCC meeting and passed out information on the Richmond Police Department's new COMPSTAT, computerized statistics and crime mapping program. Margaret brought some of the brochures for anyone interested. Mayor McLaughlin also attended the RNCC meeting, and Margaret was pleased to report that the Mayor stayed to hear the neighborhood concerns unlike previous mayors who have made a quick appearance and then left.

**Land Use/Design Review Committee:** 139 W. Richmond Avenue was not heard by the Land Use/Design Review Committee. 841 Ocean Avenue was approved with no conditions. The LUDRC members, and their contact information for submitting plans, are as follows: Rod Satre (510) 232-5059 [rdsatre@netzero.net](mailto:rdsatre@netzero.net); Paige Poulos (510) 970-9777 [paige@paigepoulos.com](mailto:paige@paigepoulos.com); Robert Lane (510) 465-1933 [r\\_k\\_lane@pacbell.net](mailto:r_k_lane@pacbell.net); Jeff Lee (510) 932-3520 [JeffLee3@SBCCGlobal.net](mailto:JeffLee3@SBCCGlobal.net); B. James Bottoms (510) 232-0992 [jbottoms@mountainhardware.com](mailto:jbottoms@mountainhardware.com); Linda Newton 214 Washington Avenue.

**Old Business:** Fred Frye presented the following slate of officers: President: James Bottoms; First Vice President: Don Woodrow; Second Vice President: Chris Spencer; Secretary: Rod Satre; and Treasurer: Margaret Morkowski. It was seconded and approved that they will be the new directors of the non-profit corporation, and will name themselves as officers for 2007-2009. It was also moved, seconded and approved that Tom Butt and Rod Satre continue on the Land Use Committee.

**New Business:** James Bottoms proposed that we donate \$500 to Point Richmond Music, as we have in the past. After some discussion, it was moved, seconded and approved that we do so.

**Setting Up Neighborhood Watch Groups:** Michelle Milam from the Crime Prevention Unit of the Richmond Police Department (510 620-6538 )spoke on the importance of Neighborhood Watch Groups as a crime prevention tool. The City of Richmond has a Crime Prevention Program designed to assist residents interested in starting Neighborhood Watch groups. Anyone interested in starting a Neighborhood Watch on their block can contact the Crime Prevention Program at (510) 307-8074 and leave your name and telephone number.

Safety Committee. Joan Gatten suggested linking REACT with Neighborhood Watch programs so that the community will be aware of the nearest REACT trained persons. She also reported that the semi-annual drill for anyone trained in REACT will be held this Saturday, April 28 from 8-2 at the First Station Training Center at 3506 Cutting Boulevard. Contact Joan at (510) 234-0727 for more information.

No further business was conducted and the meeting was adjourned.

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