



# ON POINT *August 2016*

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**Back to School!** Many parents and some kids are excited about the prospect of school starting this week. We had a wonderful summer, plenty of great summer concert events put on by the Point Richmond Music team, beautiful summer days and nights and the Summer Olympics. We went on a 20-day trip to Sweden and Ireland. Unforgettable journey filled with new experiences, connecting with family and lots of laughter. I highly recommend going to both countries, naturally the ice cream is out of this world in both countries. I am pretty sure I drank more Guinness this trip than I have in my entire life. Here is to a great new school year! Please be mindful of the many kids walking to school and traffic that will ensue.

**Save the Date** for Picnic in the Point: Saturday, September 24, 12pm to 5pm. We are looking for volunteers to help with planning this incredible event. Also we are looking for food vendors, both vendors and other non-profits who are interested in having a booth at the event, contact me directly with inquiries, 510-710-4621 or [dbschoen@hotmail.com](mailto:dbschoen@hotmail.com)

**PRNC MEMBERSHIP DUES**—are still one of the best deals in town! Dues are \$10/individual, \$15/household. Dues for 2016-2017 are due now! If you want to vote and be part of the solution become a member today!

**See you all around the Point!**

**David Schoenthal**

**David Schoenthal, President  
Point Richmond Neighborhood Council**



# AGENDA

Point Richmond Neighborhood Council  
Point Richmond Community Center  
Wednesday, August 31, 2016

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- 7:30 **Call to order and approval of Minutes from July 27, 2016** 2 minutes
- 7:32 **Police Report, and Report from PRNC Safety and Crime Prevention Rep, Officer Hector Esparza** 10 minutes
- 7:42 **President's Report, David Schoenthal (510) 710-4621** 5 minutes
- 7:47 **Report on Membership, Charmain Tyler (510) 334-7267** 5 minutes
- 7:52 **Treasurer's Report, Garry Hurlbut (510) 547-8111** 5 minutes
- 7:57 **Land Use/Design Review Committee** 5 minutes  
*Items to be considered at the September meeting, must be submitted to Rod Satre, Committee Chair, by September 7. Contact Rod at [rdatre@live.com](mailto:rdatre@live.com), (510) 232-5059. The LUDRC Committee meets monthly prior to the PRNC Meeting at 6 p.m. at Interactive Resources, 117 Park Place. Please attend if your project is being considered.*
- **Tewksbury Development - Norma Jean Munoz**
- 8:02 **Presentation on upcoming parking plan for downtown Point Richmond by Denée Evans, MA, CPM, City of Richmond Parking Services** 15 minutes
- 8:17 **Mom and Pop Art Shop - New business (awaiting confirmation)** 10 minutes
- 8:27 **Nancy Sungyun - New food service** 10 minutes
- 8:37 **Committee Reports and Announcements from Non-profit Groups**  
2 minutes each-up to 15 minutes
- **Point Richmond Business Association, Dave Schoenthal, [dbschoen@hotmail.com](mailto:dbschoen@hotmail.com)**
  - **Knit and Such, Terri Phillips, (510) 237-6865**
  - **Arts of Point Richmond, Altha Humphrey, (510) 232-2934**
  - **Women's Westside Improvement Club, Linda Newton, (510) 235-0081**
  - **Richmond Tennis, Garry Hurlbut, (510) 547-8111 [www.rta-ca.org](http://www.rta-ca.org)**
  - **Point Richmond History Association, Mid Dornan, (510) 234-5334**
  - **Masquers Playhouse, Kathe Kiehn, [www.masquers.org](http://www.masquers.org)**
  - **TRAC, Richmond Bay Trail, Bruce Beyaert, [www.pointrichmond.com/baytrail](http://www.pointrichmond.com/baytrail)**
  - **Magick Lantern, Kate Spaulding, (510) 232-2559, [magicklantern.org](http://magicklantern.org)**
  - **Brickyard Cove Alliance for Responsible Development (BCARD), Gene Scott**
  - **Richmond Smart Lighting Coalition (510) 697-2742, [Richmond-Smart-Lighting.org](http://Richmond-Smart-Lighting.org)**
  - **USS Red Oak Victory Ship, Pat Pearson, (510) 234-2532**
- 8:52 **Public Forum: Please sign up. As many as 5 speakers (2 minutes each).**  
*Issues brought to the attention of the Council in the Public Forum cannot result in Council action at this meeting. Instead, submit issues to Dave Schoenthal at [dbschoen@hotmail.com](mailto:dbschoen@hotmail.com), or <http://www.pointrichmond.org/contact.cfm>, prior to the next PRNC Board Meeting – 7/4/2015.*
- 8:57 **In Remembrance and Celebration/Adjourn**



# Point Richmond Neighborhood Council

## General Meeting Minutes

### Wednesday, July 27, 2016

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1. **Called to Order** at 7:37 pm. Minutes from the previous meeting on June 29, 2016 were approved with one amendment: Meeting ended in memory of Annie King-Meredith, but she is alive and well. It was her mother who passed away. After amendments, minutes were approved. Board Members present: Jordan DeStabler, Garry Hurlbut, Maureen Decombe and Hilary Brown. Absent: Dave Schoenthal and Charmain Tyler
2. **Police Report** - Officer Ben Therriault gave a report about crime statistics for July. Crime statistics for all categories of crime are down year over year. There are three districts in Richmond and Point Richmond is in the southern district. Violent crime, armed robbery, assault with a firearm are all down over 50% year to year in Southern District. Point Richmond is in Beat 1: there was one armed robbery and one battery with serious injury. There were 5 auto break-ins in June. Theft went up from 2 to 5, petty theft from 5 to 6 and vehicle theft went up from 3 to 6.
3. **President's Report, Jordan DeStabler (For Dave Schoenthal):** No report tonight
4. **Report on Membership, Garry Hurlbut:** Currently 104 members for the 2016-2017 year. Membership dues were due on May 1<sup>st</sup>. PRNC dues are \$10 for an individual, \$15 for a household and lifetime membership is \$500. Please renew your membership for the new year!
5. **Treasurer's Report, Dave Schoenthal:** The Benevolent fund is still looking for local causes to support. This month we donated \$500 to Picnic in the Point. Earlier this year we donated \$115 to Washington School Books, \$800 for the Kiosk with History Association, \$500 to the Tool Lending Library, \$500 to Richmond Music. Current balances: \$3,697.71, Benevolent Fund; \$2,970.94, Wig Wag Fund; \$5,900.47, General Fund.
6. **Land Use/Design Review Committee - 0 Cliffside Court:** The project is to build a single family home on a lot with 1/3 of property on a cliff. There is a 20 foot setback in front and back. Because of the setback constraints and cliff location, the building will be narrow; about 30 feet wide on one side and 13 feet wide on the other side. The driveway is sunken and will create a flat parking space. To help stabilize the eroding cliff they will install artful concrete and plants. There is a website to see their concrete work: [www.reedmadden.com](http://www.reedmadden.com). LUDRC approved project as presented, with some discussion that virtual perspectives of views may be needed to show impact of project on adjacent properties. A motion was made for PRNC to approve project as presented to the LUDRC; motion was passed with unanimous approval, no votes in opposition.
7. **Clean Point Energy - Billy Zeire:** This is a new business by a long time Point resident. The business offers energy audits to determine how to maximize energy efficiency in homes. They hope to inspire and enable the community to use renewable and clean energy. Solar panel Q&A: Solar panels need to be cleaned periodically, kind of like windows. Most companies offer yearly or bi-yearly cleaning services. PG&E is still offering rebates, but potential changes to "net metering" rules may change the financial calculus. Technology is changing for solar panels and wall batteries, car sized panels and scaling up for homeowners and industries are still growing. The reason we have so few homes with solar has a lot to do with educating people about their benefits and about how low the costs are for getting solar installed on homes.
8. **Little Louie's new owners: Mike Fakhoury and Susanna Wassman:** The new owners since May 1<sup>st</sup>. They live in San Rafael, but came here to Point Richmond after losing their lease on a cafe they owned in San Francisco. They worked alongside Raquel before taking over the restaurant full time. They are planning to make some small changes to the menu, for example adding a smoker on patio for ribs. They also would like to use the patio more for outdoor seating. Wine bar will eventually be open 5 nights per week and will eventually include wine tasting, flights with winemakers, beers on tap and expanding the menu.

9. **Sustainability Website Page - Maureen Decombe and Christine Volker:** The PRNC has started a new sustainability committee. Another soils workshop is scheduled on Saturday, October 1 in the community center. The sustainability website is a page on section of the PRNC website is at <http://www.pointrichmond.org/sustainability.html>. There are helpful links on various topics including gardens, pollinators, birds and other critters, water, and there is a blog. Each page includes useful information and PDF's that can give a deeper understanding of the topics. NEW sentence: New content is being added regularly, and contributions from the membership are encouraged.
10. Committee Reports and Announcements from Point Richmond Non-Profits
- **Point Richmond Business Association, Dave Schoenthal:** no update
  - **Knit & Such, Altha Humphrey:** Crafts, needlepoint and knitting; next meeting is at the community center, Wednesday, August 3 from 1 to 3 pm Everyone is always welcome.
  - **Arts of Point Richmond, Altha Humphrey:** An active group with about 60 members. Group is responsible for the wonderful exhibits at the Post Office. Meetings scheduled about 6 weeks apart for socializing and sharing crafts or anything artistic.
  - **Women's Westside Improvement Club, Linda Newton:** On vacation for the summer, but gardening activities are scheduled on August 13 and September 17 from 10am - 12. First meeting of the club for 2017 year is Tuesday, September 13 from 11:30 to 2:00.
  - **Richmond Tennis, Garry Hurlbut:** Tots tennis started for 3-6 year olds on Saturdays from 9-10 at the courts by the plunge. Men's 35 team won and is going to Districts on August 5-6-7 in Danville.
  - **Point Richmond History Association:** no updates
  - **Masquers:** no updates
  - **TRAC - Bay Trail:** Funds have been secured for the bike lane on top deck of bridge.
  - **Magic Lantern:** no updates
  - **Brickyard Cove Alliance for Responsible Development:** no updates
  - **Richmond Smart Lighting Coalition** - none.
  - **Red Oak Victory:** Homefront Film Festival: Thursday August 25, 6:30-9:30pm showing "Bride by Mistake" and Pancake Breakfast on September 11 from 9-12:30.
11. **Open Forum**
- **Cordell Hindler:** Crime prevention updates - Classes for CERT (Community Emergency Response Team). If interested, email Kathy Gerk with City. Next crime prevention meeting is September 21 at 7pm.
  - **Maureen Decombe:** "Soil not Oil!" is an international event scheduled in Richmond on August 5 and 6 at the civic center. Last year they had a world famous speaker who talked about the reduction of the available seed bank, this year the focus is practical solutions for agriculture and carbon sequestration in the soil.
  - **Garry Hurlbut:** Rosie the Riveter Rally on Aug 13 at Crainway. The goal is to set the world record for the number of people who come dressed as Rosie the Riveter. Wear a blue collar shirt, red socks and red polka-dot scarf. Check-in starts at 10:00.
12. **In Remembrance and Celebration/Adjourn:** In memory of Russell Gillespie, one of our top tennis players who died suddenly and far too young. His family misses him terribly.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by  
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***Point Richmond Neighborhood Council  
August Meeting: Wednesday, August 31, 7:30 p.m.  
Point Richmond Community Center***

***Point Richmond Summer Concert***

***Series: Fridays - September 9, September 23***

***Picnic in the Point: September 24***

***Candidate's Night at September PRNC***

***Meeting: Come and meet the candidates running for city council on  
Wednesday, September 28, (location to be announced)***



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