



**Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council Monthly Board Meeting (Virtual)
Wednesday October 27, 2021, 7:00–9:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order:** President Longcore called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.
- 2. Flag Salute:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 3. Roll Call:** President Longcore called the roll with 23 members present (*12 = majority*). Members Holmes, Kadin & Palmer joined shortly thereafter. Bobby Kwan, new LCA Alternate would be substituting for Stephanie Savage, for a total of **27 present, 5 absent & 1 vacancy** (for Private Schools K-6, which seat was filled later under item #26 below.)

| NAME | BOARD SEAT | Present | Absent |
|-------------------------|--|---------|--------|
| Barondes, Asher | At-Large Youth Representative (2023) | X | |
| Bayliss, Shawn | Commercial or Office Enterprise Districts (2023) | X | |
| B. Cobb for Ellen Evans | Community Interest At-Large (2023) | X | |
| Garfield, DDS, Robert | Casiano Estates Association | X | |
| Goodman, MD, Mark | Bel-Air District (2023) | X | |
| Greenberg, Robin | Bel Air Hills Association | X | |
| Hall, Jamie | Laurel Canyon Association | X | |
| Holmes, Kristie | Public Educational Institutions (2023) | X | |
| Kadin, David Scott | Benedict Canyon Association | X | |
| Kennedy, Jacqueline Le | Faith-Based Institutions (2023) | X | |
| Levotman, Vadim | Doheny-Sunset Plaza Neighborhood Association | X | |
| Longcore, Travis | Custodian of Open Space (2023) | X | |
| Loze, Donald | Benedict Canyon Association | X | |
| Mann, Mindy Rothstein | At-Large Traditional Stakeholder (2023) | X | |
| Mieszala, Yves | North of Sunset District (2023) | | X |
| Miner, Nickie | Benedict Canyon Association | X | |
| Morris, Wendy | Bel Air Hills Association | X | |
| Murphy, Patricia | North of Sunset District (2023) | | X |
| Palmer, Dan | Residents of Beverly Glen | X | |
| Ringler, Robert | Residents of Beverly Glen | | X |
| Roy, Heather | Laurel Canyon Association | X | |
| Sandler, Irene | Bel Air Crest Master Association | X | |
| R. Kwan for S. Savage | Laurel Canyon Association | X | |
| Schlesinger, Robert | Benedict Canyon Association | X | |

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| Spradlin, Jason | Holmby Hills HOA | | X |
| Sroloff, Gail | At-Large Traditional Stakeholder (2023) | X | |
| Steele, Tim | Bel Air Glen District (2023) | X | |
| Stojka, André | Bel Air Ridge HOA | X | |
| Tanner, Blair | Bel-Air Association | X | |
| Wayne, Cathy | Laurel Canyon Association | X | |
| Weinberg, Steven | Franklin-Coldwater District (2023) | X | |
| Wimbish, Jon | Private 7-12 Schools (2023) | | X |
| VACANCY* | Private K-6 Schools (2023) | | 0 |
| Total: | | 27 | 5 + 1* |

4. Approval of the Agenda

Adopted as circulated

5. Approval of the Minutes

The September 22, 2021 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A) were adopted as written on a duly seconded motion by Member Schlesinger, with one abstention by Member Roy.

6. General Public Comment:

Member Levotman asked about BABCNC's rules with regard to abstentions to which President Longcore noted that we, specifically to our bylaws, do not count abstentions as yes votes; our votes are a majority of those voting.

Vice President Hall confirmed that Robert (Bobby) Kwan is the new LCA alternate who will substitute for Stephanie Savage, who has a planned absence. He will send a formal appointment letter.

7. Comments of Representatives of Elected Officials & City Agencies

Mehmet Berker, Deputy Rep for CD4 Councilmember Nithya Raman, gave updates on redistricting, the street width verification letter, and on filing fees going up from Planning Dept. December 27th 2021. They have raised concerns regarding SB9 in the hillsides, and will work with Planning on that. Their affordable Housing Overlay motion passed today, with strong support from Councilmember Koretz.

Jarrett Thompson, Deputy Rep for CD5 Councilmember Paul Koretz noted that his updates were covered by Mehmet. Sunday November 7th is the LA Marathon. Expect traffic.

Rachel Sherrell, New Eastside Deputy for L.A. County Supervisor Kuehl introduced herself and gave an update, reading from her written report (attachment to this agenda.)

Braxton Tatum, New Acting SLO for LAPD Hollywood introduced himself.

Octaviano Rios, NEA from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE)

- Optional trainings tomorrow Core Institute Module II & CIM III, November 30th 6:30pm.
- Required training “Anti-Bias Learning for Employees” (“ABLE”) due November 30th
- Code of Conduct Policy open for feedback. Next info session November 6th 1:00 to 3:00pm
- NC Elections Workgroup; City Clerk's deadline to participate is in two days.
- Submission Deadline for Proposed Amendments to Bylaws is April 1st.
- Octaviano wished us happy holidays and thanked us for the hard work we do as volunteers.

Reports of Officers

8. President – Travis Longcore

- Anti-Bias Training: Log in to Cornerstone to get this new training done by November 30th.
- Code of Conduct, Financial Training, Ethics Training, and Planning 101 Training: Do these if you are out of date or you will not be able to vote.
- Robert's Rules of Order Training Portal for NC members: Important: <https://empowerla.org/evg/>

- Special Meeting regarding Sepulveda Pass Transit Project November 3rd 6:30pm: 2-1/2 hours to hear from Metro, hear public comment & Metro's answers to questions on the project.
- Redistricting update is given below.

9. Vice President – Operations –Robin Greenberg:

Meetings: LADBS Nov. 3rd, Metro Nov. 3rd, Home Sharing Nov. 4th, Executive Nov. 11th.

10. Vice President – Legislative Affairs – VP Hall related that we had a Special Meeting of PLU Committee last night, where he gave a presentation on implementation of SB9 in the hillsides. The PP presentation will be made available on our website; video is on our YouTube page. Hollywood Community Plan Update has not been scheduled for a hearing yet before the PLU Management (PLUM) Committee. It will impact a lot of our NC and there is work we need to do to ensure mitigation measures for biologic resources are enhanced.

11. Secretary – Nickie Miner: No report.

12. Treasurer – Vadim Levotman:

Approval of September 2021 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) (**Attachment B**)

Moved by Treasurer Levotman; **seconded; 21 yes; 0 no; 1 abstention**: President Longcore, **4 ineligible**: Members Barondes, Weinberg & Tanner + new Alternate Kwan; **6 absences & 1 vacancy; passed**

Reports of Standing Committees

Planning & Land Use
Robert Schlesinger, Chair

13. Report of the Planning & Land Use Committee

14. 1826 Crisler Way

Case No: ZA-2020-7359-ZAA-ZAD

Project Description: Pursuant to LAMC 12.24 X.28 and 12.28, a Zoning Administrator's Determination / Zoning Administrator's Adjustment for a new 1,660 SF SFD with an attached 2-car garage on an existing vacant lot.

Applicant: Takeshi Furukawa Representative: Simon Storey

PLU Committee Motion: To write a letter to the Zoning Administrator stating that the BABCNC recommends denial of the project on the grounds that it is not exempt from CEQA due to the cumulative impacts of the project, especially the four homes adjacent to the project and that there are public safety and health impacts associated with the project that have not been analyzed, and that the adjustment for additional square footage should not be granted because the requirements for findings cannot be made. **Moved** by Robert Schlesinger; seconded. *[Member Roy recused herself.]*

Mr. Storey noted that he has returned to the board for the second time and previously had presented to the PLU Committee on a number of occasions. He discussed the report by a civil engineer provided by the attorney representing the residents on Marmont below the project, noting that the report does not specifically relate to his lot, only to the other four lots. Mr. Storey wanted to go on record as letting us know what they have done so far, including but not limited to obtaining studies including geotechnical and soils report which have been submitted to Grading and approved, tree report, and biological assessment report, among others.

Public Comment: **Jon Pikus** cited safety concerns posed by construction and limited or lack of access by emergency vehicles. He noted 1979 terrible fire on Grand View when 30+ houses burned

and thinks any talk of construction of a house on this portion of Crisler Way, a paper street, is not safe to build a house on.

Brook noted that she has grown up here and feels that this project is probably the single biggest threat to safety and way of life in that area, citing noise, the parking from workers, additional traffic brought in and workers take their parking. She noted that aside from the steep grade, no matter how much fencing boulders still fly. Her main concern is that Grande View is a one-lane street basically; has sharp corners, no room to back up and turn around and cars get turned around each way. Any kind of building truck on such a steep road would be a massive hazard. She implored us to take this seriously. **Naureen McMillan** vehemently opposes the project due to safety issues, and explained a situation in which an emergency vehicle had to turn around and come back up the other direction on Yucca Trail. She feels that it is a disaster waiting to happen, and asked us to take their safety into consideration.

Rob M. lives on Briar with his husband, Robert, who is also on the call, for 15 years. He has concern about neighborhood's infrastructure, and that it is difficult to do this kind of building, which is not a small project. It will include adding roads, and having to constantly pull over. He reiterated need for us to come to the neighborhood and see that the infrastructure cannot support this kind of project.

Billy Brown thanked the board for our volunteer service. He has lived on Grand View since 2012, and feels that this project is an egregious affront to the safety of the residents and home owners. He asked us to consider one-way traffic on Grand View Drive, as earth-moving equipment can weigh up to 90,000 pounds & that staging is nonexistent. The entire area, Kirkwood Bowl & Marmont below are subject to fire risks. Amazon and other vehicles are there all day & he has concern about the city infrastructure. He asked that we demand this project needs CEQA and to tell ZA to deny the project.

Jim Mills noted that this is the worst project for the reasons stated above. He noted that the presenter noted the various complaints regarding the other four lots but not his, and asked, are they not next to each other? The presenter said the traffic study is being reviewed and approved and Mr. Mills wonders how he knows it is being approved. He cited an issue on Mannix Drive with a lot of vehicles backing up and cars honking while machines are working, noting that Mannix is wider and easier to move around on than Grand View, which is narrower in certain places. The area has been deemed to be in the highest fire risk category in the city.

Brian Mathena lives on Briar Drive next to Rob M who spoke. He objects to the project on grounds of safety concerns for the Kirkwood Bowl community at large and these streets, especially the residents of Grand View and Yucca Trail. He noted the aging infrastructure of much of Laurel Canyon, especially the Kirkwood Bowl and Grand View Drive, the roads which require access to the proposed site. He noted that this is a community where a single fallen tree or power pole can and has left over 1500 homes without power for days and the impact of thousands of pounds of construction and the associated construction vehicle traffic alone would have a continued significant negative impact on the quality of infrastructure of the community. He noted that moving this project forward completely ignores significant safety implications on the community including access by emergency vehicles in a high fire zone made of really narrow single-lane roads. He related that, as noted at the PLU meeting, residents below the site are at risk of falling debris, and the developer hasn't reached out to the residents as of that meeting. He asks the NC to adopt the motion by the committee.

Brian Reilly from Yucca Trail below Grand View considers it insane to try to do this... noting that it will diminish the quality of life of people in the neighborhood, and that the fire danger is of the greatest concern. He noted the difficulty of getting vehicles through even on a good day. He noted that there is zero parking and asked where they will stage for this project. Three members of his household say "no." He noted that there are other homes available for sale in the area, and unless the developer is talking about bringing affordable housing in the area, he opposes this.

Ann Ciminera opposes the project, noting that when a fire truck drives by she cannot walk into the street; it is so narrow. It is about public safety for her. She related that as a child she almost perished in a fire and luckily it was all taken care of; however, when she moved up here, she noted the ecosystem. She noted that the project is designed to go through steps but you can't control when someone is going to need help from an accident. She noted that it is truly a one-lane path that was

paved over; it gets routinely blocked; box trucks get stuck because the grade is so steep. We are blocked off and basically choked, and have to wait for a vehicle to tow it out.

Public Hearing was closed and President Longcore opened the floor to Board Q&A. Comments in favor of the motion were provided by board members. No one spoke speak against the motion.

22 yes; 0 no; 2 abstentions: Longcore & Schlesinger; **1 recusal:** Roy; **1 ineligible:** Member Weinberg; **6 absences & 1 vacancy**

15. 1800, 1806, 1812, and 1818 North Crisler Way

Case No: ZA-2015-4125-ZAD, ZA-2015-4130, ZA-2015-4146-ZAD, ZA-2015-4149-ZAD

Applicant: Robert Anderson, CAC Development

Representative: Erika Iverson, Rosenheim & Associates

Motion: To draft a letter to the Zoning Administrator requesting the projects be denied due to inadequacy of the environmental review and inability to make required findings in light of project-specific and cumulative impacts.

[Member Roy remained recused for this item.]

Public Comment:

Brian Reilly opposes, a crazy project; people on Grand View will suffer, as commented on #14.

Naureen MacMillan: Comments are as above under #14.

Rob M: He reiterated concern about impact to safety and infrastructure.

Jim Mills: Same as before, adding that Steven Weinberg mentioned the point about Grand View, where some parts are well structured but long with nowhere to turn so if there is a backup it takes a long distance to find out. You'd have more cars, maybe 10 cars, backed up and honking horns.

Brian Mathena: His comments are as previously stated above under #14.

Ann Ciminera reiterated points made previously; driving large construction and cement trucks, she has seen a large dump truck on a bird street where the axle broke and it smashed into a house.

Billy Brown would consider cumulative impact on the homes and roughly 30 caissons in a 200-foot road with no turnaround, noting that this type of development is egregious and unsustainable, no matter the width of the road and the infrastructure that has not been addressed by the City or County. More homes create more traffic, more Uber & Lyft drivers and Airbnb.

Bobby Kwan: Having been a resident of LC for 31 years, he has seen all kinds of traffic. He cited the collapse of Cole Crest in 2003, which closed for 18 months, with emergency exit route out of service to the Kirkwood Bowl due to construction damage to the road. Consider poor shape of infrastructure.

Moved by Member Wayne; **seconded;** Members Wayne, Miner & Weinberg raised further concerns. No one argued against the motion. The question was called; **the motion was adopted** by **24-0-0-1 recusal** by Member Roy & **1 ineligible;** Member Weinberg.

16. Implementation of SB9 in Hillside Areas

Motion: To write a letter and file a CIS regarding the implementation of SB9 within the City of Los Angeles, with particular attention to compliance with provisions to protect public safety and the environment. (Attachment C) **Moved** by Members Schlesinger & Stojka. **Public Comment:** None.

Amendment: To amend the motion above, Attachment C, for a letter from this board to the City Attorney and to our Councilmembers that we object to the application of SB9 to the hillside areas in particular, and that the City object to SB9 across the board in hillside areas on grounds to be determined by the City Attorney. **Moved** by Members Loze & Stojka. **Public Comment:** None. Following discussion **Member Loze withdrew his amending motion.**

Attention was then turned to the **main motion**. President Longcore clarified that the motion on the floor is to adopt the motion that was written and circulated as Attachment C, which gives instructions

to the City asking them how they will go about ensuring that they actually comply with SB9 in the hillsides, relative to the various elements of the law, that exclude lots on the basis of the presence of sensitive species or other environmental considerations, e.g., fire safety, etc. It is specifically written also so that the Councilmember can introduce it as their motion... This is so Councilmembers can put this motion in to ensure that all of the exceptions to the SB9 rules passed into law are implemented properly by the City. A Yes vote is saying we support the motion; we'll send it to the city and file a CIS, and advocate for it. A No vote means we do not. The motion was adopted by 24 ayes and one 1 ineligible (Member Weinberg).

New Motion: Write a letter from the neighborhood council to the City Attorney, copying the Councilmembers and the Mayor, urging the City Attorney to take all necessary steps to object to the application of SB9 to the hillside areas of the City of Los Angeles on the grounds that violates the ability of the City to make the determinations under the 10th amendment of the US Constitution.

Moved by Loze; **Seconded** by Stojka. Member Loze explained the 10th amendment, noting that in this case, it would be for the health benefit and safety of the citizens of Los Angeles, in particular those of us in the hillsides. Member Loze noted that they are trying to make a grand motion across the state, and he is trying to make a motion for those in the hills.

The question was called by Member Loze and President Longcore reiterated that this motion is to write a letter to the City Attorney, that we object to the application of SB9 in the hillside areas, grounds to be determined by the City Attorney, which would include but not be limited to violations of the 10th Amendment of the US Constitution.

There was an **objection to calling the question** with Member Morris asking for clarification. Following brief discussion, President Longcore clarified that the motion is that we write a letter to the City Attorney objecting to the application of SB9 in hillside areas in LA on grounds to be determined by the CA to include but not be limited to violations of the 10th amendment of the US constitution... which is a power not actually delegated to the states, and therefore the state is over-reaching its constitutional powers by messing about in local land use decisions. Member Loze added that the State has been granted power but in this case the State has over-exercised power that should go to the City. This is between the City and the State. The cities stand up for us.

Amending Motion that the Executive Committee would have to approve the letter, **moved** by Member Roy; **seconded**. Following debate there was no objection to calling the question on the amending motion. **3 yes; 15 no & 2 abstentions** by Mann & Sandler; **the amendment did not carry.**

Attention was returned to the main **New Motion** moved by Member Loze: **Passed** by **21-0-0**

17. Planning Director's Memorandum Regarding Mulholland Scenic Parkway Specific Plan

Motion: To write a letter and file a CIS opposing the determination by Director of City Planning Vincent Bertoni removing Design Review Board *oversight* that eliminates in-depth reviews of impacts to parkland, scenic overlooks, scenic road corridors, wildlife corridors, riparian corridors, and the urban forest. (**Attachment D**)

Public Comment: None. PLU Committee Chair Schlesinger gave background on this. Member Weinberg spoke on behalf his community in the Franklin/Coldwater District who fully supports this motion. No one spoke in opposition to the motion. The motion was brought from committee by Chair Schlesinger and therefore did not require a second. It was approved unanimously with one member ineligible 21-0.

18. 9712 Oak Pass Road ("The Retreat in Benedict Canyon")

Motion: To write a letter and file a CIS in support of the motion by Councilmember Koretz (CF 21-

0777) opposing the further processing of an application to develop a commercial facility at 9712 Oak Pass Road. (**Attachment E**) **Moved** by Member Schlesinger who read from a statement introducing the motion. No one spoke against the motion. **Passed** by **20 present and voting** with **one recusal** by Mr. Bayliss and Mr. Weinberg ineligible.

Outreach Committee
Robin Greenberg, Chair

- 19. Report of the Outreach Committee:** Chair Greenberg thanked the committee members by name, and noted our wonderful newsletter, giving special thanks to Member Stojka. She asked all of the HOA reps to please distribute the newsletter to their associations.

Traffic Committee
Irene Sandler, Chair

- 20. Report of the Traffic Committee:** Chair Sandler noted that the Traffic Committee has not been dealing with our local traffic issues, being in flux. She noted we have a new SLO, James Allen, and understands that opportunistic crime has gone up related to break-ins of cars parked on the side of the road when not able to be parked in home garages. She noted that our main agenda has been the 405 and the express lanes, regarding which we and the Councilmember have written letters saying we do not want express lanes added to the 405. She noted that at a meeting she attended yesterday with Metro, they said they are working hand in hand with Cal Trans and acts as if they are going to go ahead with the express lanes. She doesn't know if we sent our letter to Cal Trans. Chair Sandler is concerned that we may not be up on what we should be when the people come to speak to us on November 3rd. President Longcore encouraged attending the special meeting on November 3rd with your most sophisticated questions, and being prepared by reading up on it and using this opportunity to learn about what is being proposed. She asked that we let her know if we want the Traffic Committee to try to work with the transportation arm of the City. Chair Sandler noted that we will have a meeting after the 11-03 meeting, and asked that everyone please forward traffic issues to her.

Reports of Ad Hoc Committees

Ad Hoc Committee on Home Sharing and Party House Ordinances
Ellen Evans, Chair

- 21. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Home Sharing and Party House Ordinances:** President Longcore introduced the following two motions in the absence of Chair Evans.

22. Short-Term Rentals / Unpermitted / Non-compliant Properties

Motion: To support and file a CIS on 14-1635-S10 (Short-Term Rentals / Unpermitted / Non-compliant Properties) and to recommend the addition of the following provisions for investigation:

- On-site parking requirements for short-term rentals.
- Special rights for neighbors including a provision allowing neighbors to petition to have specific permits revoked.
- Million-dollar bond required to cover potential liability.
- Tax assessor records consulted to verify primary residency.
- Bar sub-lessors from receiving STR permits.
- Designated responsible party required for each home share who must be able to be on the scene and handle problems within 60 minutes during the day and 30 minutes during the night.
- Units must be inspected for compliance.

- Limit permits in places that already have a high concentration of STRs.
(Attachment F)

Moved by VP Greenberg; **seconded** from the committee. **Public Comment:** None. No committee comments in favor or in opposition to the motion; no objection to calling the question. No object to unanimous consent. **None in opposition** and **no abstentions**. **Approved by unanimous consent by all 20 present and voting.**

23. Home-Sharing Registration Suspension

Motion: To support and file a CIS on 14-1635-S11 (Los Angeles Home-Sharing Registration Suspension / Short Term Rental / Criminal Activity / Los Angeles Municipal Code / Amendment) (Attachment G)

Moved by VP Greenberg; **seconded** by committee; Board comments were given on behalf of the motion. No one spoke against the motion.

None opposed; no abstentions; the motion from the committee **passed** by **unanimous support by all 20 present and voting.**

Ad Hoc Committee on Redistricting

Travis Longcore, Chair

24. Los Angeles City Council Redistricting

Motion: To write a letter and CIS in support of the draft map forwarded from the Los Angeles City Council Redistricting Commission to the City Council.

President Longcore gave an update on this. He thanked everyone who got involved, called and sent emails. He noted that they heard us. He sent a thank you from Rocky Delgadillo, who responded that we had been heard and had done well by our community. This letter will reiterate what we said in our previous letters and file a CIS. He noted it is likely that this will get changed because several districts get moved and he thinks it would be appropriate to get a letter on file on this from us. VP Hall and Wayne praised President Longcore and other leaders on the task force who did an excellent job. Travis noted that this only worked because we went through the democratic process.

Moved by VP Greenberg; **seconded**. VP Hall noted that the task force still exists and has to be very active. **Passed by unanimous consent by all 20 present and voting.**

Ad Hoc Committee on Tree Removals

Mindy Mann, Chair

- 25. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Tree Removals:** Mindy Mann gave report that there was one property on Stone Canyon, 966. We wrote a letter in opposition to removal of a sycamore tree on that property. She noted that there is no replacement for seeing something in person and seeing what was going on determined that they had to oppose the removal.

New Business

26. Selection of K–6 Private Schools Representative

President Longcore introduced this “Selected Position,” meaning that the Board selects the person by a majority vote of the Board. The requirement is that the person has to have a “substantial connection” to private schools K-6 in our territory. President Longcore explained this evening’s process, beginning by opening the floor for public comment to those who are here and wish to be

selected for the position. We will then take nominations from the floor, followed by another statement from the candidate(s) for the position, then vote on it.

Public Comment:

Maureen Smith would like to be considered for the position, and related her reasons, including but not limited to that she has a connection to private schools, having attended and having taught, is dedicated to giving back to her community, and related organizations that she has been a part of.

Steven Prothro, Director of Finance and Operations for John Thomas Dye School, has been at the school for a little over 9 years, responsible for operational functions of the school; takes great pride in the school and neighborhood. When a past parent from this council informed him of the opportunity, he felt his background afforded him to do a really great job contributing to the group.

Nominations from the Board:

Member Wayne nominated **Maureen Smith**

Member Schlesinger nominated **Steven Prothro**

Question about history working with schools with the age group was asked and answered by both candidates. Maureen Smith noted that she was a peer mediator at the Alexander Science School at USC, worked with kids managing conflict at the Institute of Nonviolence. She taught sixth graders and is a tireless advocate on the Board. Private education is very important and she'd like to be an advocate for K-6. Steven Prothro noted that he has been in the independent school world for 16 years, starting at UCLA, Colburn School, and at JTD for 9-1/2 years. He is a school administrator. They have other real estate interest in Bel Air, and he has experience in residential, neighborhood and city issues. He can be a strong rep for both JTD & SW in the BABCNC area.

Voting for Mr. Prothro were: Bayless, Garfield, Hall, Kadin, Levotman, Loze, Mann, Morris, Palmer, Roy, Schlesinger, Sroloff, Steele, Tanner, and Kwan. Voting for Ms. Smith were Kennedy, Miner, Stojka, and Wayne. Abstaining were Barondes, Cobb, and Longcore. Mr. Weinberg was ineligible to vote.

Mr. Prothro was elected with 15 votes and words of appreciation were given to Maureen Smith.

27. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair of Emergency Preparedness Committee:

President Longcore nominated **Vadim Levotman** as Chair & **Nickie Miner** as Vice Chair. Both accepted and were **approved by unanimous consent** by all 21 people present and voting.

28. Good of the Order: President Longcore welcomed Steven Prothro to the Board and thanked Maureen Smith. Vice President Greenberg related that Larry Leisten has suffered injury from a bicycle accident, and is planning to have surgery for broken clavicle, and subsequent surgery for another body part also injured from a bicycle accident. President Longcore expressed appreciation of the committee chairs and invited people to join the committees.

29. Adjournment to November 17, 2021 (Third Wednesday of November due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.) The meeting adjourned at 9:33 pm.