

Building A Better Community



Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday June 9, 2022 5:00 P.M.

Name	Р	Α	Name	P	Α
Travis Longcore, President	Х		Robert Schlesinger, Planning & Land Use	Χ	
			Committee Chair		
Robin Greenberg, VP Operations;	Х		Irene Sandler, Traffic Committee Chair	Χ	
Outreach Committee Chair; Immediate					
Past President					
Jamie Hall, VP Legislative Affairs	Х		Cathy Wayne, Bylaws, Rules & Elections	Χ	
			Chair		
Vadim Levotman, Treasurer;	Х		André Stojka, Neighborhood Purpose	Χ	
Emergency Preparedness Committee			Grant Review Committee Chair		
Chair					
Nickie Miner, Secretary; Budget &	Х		Vacant, Public Works &	0	
Finance Committee Chair			Telecommunications Committee Chair		

MINUTES

- 1. Board President Longcore called the meeting to order at 5:07 P.M., relating information regarding rules for public comment. The salute to the flag was recited. President Longcore called the roll with 6 present and quorum met. Shortly thereafter, Members Stoka, Miner and Sandler arrived for a total of <u>9 present</u>
- 2. The June 9, 2022 Agenda was approved as moved by Levotman.
- 3. The May 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes (Attachment) were approved, as moved by Levotman.
- 4. There was no public comment on items not on the agenda.

[Prior to the start of this section of the meeting, President Longcore amended the agenda to hear from Rob Adams on the website upgrade.]

Reports of Officers

- 5. **President** Travis Longcore opened discussion on possible meeting places for future in-person meetings, noted that this year is the 20th anniversary of the founding of the NC. Greenberg would like to have our celebration at City Hall with the Councilmembers, and Miner would like to incorporate a farewell party to our city representatives who are leaving.
- 6. Vice President Operations Robin Greenberg related next weeks' meetings.
- 7. Vice President Legislative Affairs Jamie Hall noted that the Ad Hoc Environmental Committee and Ad Hoc Wildlife District Committee meetings are working hard, though slow going.

- 8. Secretary Nickie Miner had no report.
- **9.** Treasurer Vadim Levotman noted that we are addressing the end of the fiscal year, and some items will be brought to the board for approval for payment in the new fiscal year.

Reports from Standing Committees

- 10. Planning & Land Use Robert Schlesinger: No report. Three projects.
- **11. Outreach** Robin Greenberg congratulated the committee but particularly André Stojka for the editorial work he does on the newsletter. Member Stojka asked that Travis send articles his way. VP Hall recommended acknowledging CLAW.
- 12. Traffic Irene Sandler expressed concern about Metro's 2,000 pages of all of their projects, and that despite asking for volunteers to go through some that are of interest to this NC, she hasn't got any and feels we can't provide comments. She asked what a NC is to do in light of this. Member Wayne recommended a response that Metro has submitted something that is impossible for the average citizen to respond to and something in a different form needs to be submitted so that comments from the *neighborhood* councils can be given. President Longcore would consider what route to take to register a complaint, if that is the appropriate thing to do, including maybe during the runoff period, contact the two supervisorial candidates, and say we have some real responsiveness issues surrounding Metro; we don't feel our communities are consulted and heard from enough and want our communities to have a much greater voice.
- **13.** Bylaws, Rules & Elections Cathy Wayne noted that we are in the process of preparing standing rules. We are meeting tomorrow with Octaviano to discuss preliminary election issues for next year.
- 14. Budget & Finance Nickie Miner noted that the committee is meeting on Monday.
- 15. Neighborhood Purpose Grant Review Andre Stojka
- 16. Emergency Preparedness Vadim Levotman noted that two weeks ago he met with LAPD & FBI commanders in regards to the rise of hate crimes, citing an incident. He noted that there is a fine line between "hate crimes" and "hate incidents," and that LAPD and the FBI are taking these things very seriously. The LAPD said that they will send out two police officers to take hate *crime* "incident" reports; a Code 2 call. He would like to conduct a webinar on this, as they are targeting all manner of groups. Both the LAPD & FBI have a special units which deal with this issue.

We will put this on the agenda for June to resolve to authorize this; we will set a date, decide who will host, do a newsletter, and send it to the mailing list. Wayne asked if we can involve other NCs.

New Business

- 17. Website Update: Rob Adams did a run through of the website and answered questions.
- **18. Voice Mail and Office Phone:** We need to find someone to re-configure the main office phone number and consider what our future with the office might be. Hall left at 6:41 P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 P.M.to meet again on July 14, 2022.