

**POINT LOMA ASSOCIATION - *Beautification Committee Meeting***  
***January 4, 2011***

**Members Present:** Ron Brooks, Jodie Bruhn, Karen Davis, Betty Allman, Celeste Trepte, Cecilia Carrack, Robert Jackson, Klonie Kunzel and Judy Garrett.

Chair **Ron Brooks** opened the meeting at 8:08 AM at the San Diego Yacht Club.

Budget: **Jodie** reported that \$1,554 was spent during the month of December, and a total of \$7,592.67 has been spent out of the \$27,500 2010-11 Beautification Committee budget.

**Discussion Topics:**

1. Rose Garden Demonstration: The rose pruning demonstration by **Roger English**, past president of the SD Rose Society, will be on Friday, 14 January at 9AM at the Hugh Story Memorial Rose Garden. After a brief discussion, everyone will have the opportunity to get hands on experience. The Park and Rec. staff has agreed to remove the trimmed out greenery. Coffee and pastries will be provided. (Karen and Ed will bring the tools, Ron will bring tables and paper products, Cecilia will pick up coffee, pastries are to be determined.) Don't forget your pruning shears.
2. Median 4 (Ed's Triangle): Work will begin on this project on January 10-11 with basic site preparation. Next, the irrigation is set to be installed on January 12-15. All this work is to be done by Total Green Landscaping. On January 18, the Urban Corps will plant 9 Torrey Pine trees. These trees are provided by SDG&E in coordination with the Urban Corps and our Urban Forester, Drew Potocki. Next, on January 19, the Total Green Landscaping crew will plant 89 tequila agave plants that were donated by the landscape architect, Marty Schmidt. Once this is complete, a layer of mulch will be spread over the entire site.
3. Nimitz Blvd Entry Sign: A recent inspection by Zed Electric of our electrical outlets at the Nimitz entry sign revealed aging wires and a busted outlet cover that should be addressed for safety reasons. A bid to do the renewal work was provided at a cost of \$576. Ron will contact David Zedaker to determine our options to make the wiring safe without providing a target for electricity poachers.
4. Backflow Device Testing: There was some question as to whether the backflow device testing at the Tennyson Triangle had been completed. **Judy** will contact **Albert Powell** to verify that the job was done.
5. Code Compliance Issues: **Celeste** reported the following:
  - Two of the Canary Island Pines, planted on the side of Catalina Blvd and adjacent to Silvergate School, fell over after recent rain and wind events. The phone number to contact Drew Potocki was provided to Heather Harris of the Silvergate School parent group. It is hoped that the cause of the tree failure could be determined and new trees planted.
  - **Robert** provided an update of his ongoing efforts to encourage the owners of the property at Rosecrans and Hugo to remove the billboard at that site. The billboard is contracted in five year increments, and the current contract is due to expire soon. Various options to win over the property owners were discussed.
6. Tree Plaques: **Robert** reported that 19 tree plaques have now been sold.
7. New Median Landscape Proposal: **Robert** proposed that the Beautification Committee look at the possibility of landscaping the triangle shaped median at Catalina and Cañon. It was noted that he would be willing to head up the project and would look at dryscape and drought tolerant options. **Robert** and **Karen** will work on a proposal.

8. La Playa Trail Murals: **Cecilia** reported that **Bruce Cook** and a carpenter friend have finished a prototype frame to display the murals at the Union Bank. The prototype has been turned over to the Union Bank for approval. Each frame will cost \$500 for materials – the labor is provided at no cost thanks to the generosity of Bruce and his friend. At this time, we are waiting for a decision from the bank as to whether the prototype is acceptable to them and also whether they are willing to have one, two or three of the murals displayed at any one time. A dedication ceremony with PLHS participation is envisioned once the murals are installed.
  
9. Graffiti: **Cecilia** reported that graffiti is still a problem, including a recent attack on our Soto Street storage building. Our new POC at the SDPD specifically concerning graffiti is Officer William Miles.
  
10. Chick-fil-A: **Cecilia** recently received a letter from Allison Hendrick at Chick-fil-A with various offers to support our community group. Specifically, gift certificates and a sponsored meal were suggested. It was agreed that we would consider opportunities to take advantage of their generosity.

**Reminders:**

- PLA Board meeting – January 12 at the Bali Ha'i -- 7:30AM
- Peninsula Community Planning Bd Mtg –Third Thursday of month, 6:30PM at the PL Library
- Friday Night Liberty – 7 January -- the first Friday of every month from 5-8PM.
- Rose Trim Demonstration – 14 January, 9am at Hugh Story Memorial Garden

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 AM. Please note that our next meeting will be 8AM, February 1, 2011 at the San Diego Yacht Club Board Room. To place items on the agenda, e-mail Ron at [brooks1@cox.net](mailto:brooks1@cox.net).

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Davis  
Secretary

<b>Mean Green Team Calendar</b>		
<b>January</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Soto Street</b>
<b>January</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Rose Garden demo w/ Roger English, coffee &amp; pastry</b>
<b>January</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Dewey - Planting</b>
<b>January</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Village – Tree Trim &amp; general cleanup</b>
<i>Check weekly e-mail reminder sent every Wednesday or Thursday – There is a possibility that the location might be changed!!</i>		