

MBPA General Membership Meeting, July 3, 2016
631 Lakeshore Drive 9 a.m., Daley residence

1. Call to order and Roll Call of MBPA board members – Brendan Riley(President) & Marijeanne Rende (Secretary)
 - Meeting called to order at 9:12 by Brendan Riley
 - Marijeanne Rende conducted Roll Call and Introduction of Board Members Present: Brendan Riley(President), Ryan Davis (Vice President), Marijeanne Rende(Secretary), Roy Pike, Cathy Westerbeck, Ron Borsos, Dick Barnard
 - Board Members Absent: Piper Smith(Treasurer), Steve Edmundson
2. Introduction of General Marla Bay Membership Attending Meeting - All
 - Brendan Riley requested introductions from general membership in attendance
 - General membership introduced themselves and Marla Bay address
3. Approval of Secretary's Minutes – Marijeanne Rende
 - Marijeanne Rende reminded everyone that Brendan sent last year's minutes ahead of the meeting for review; Marijeanne briefly reviewed 2015 general meeting minutes' highlights and asked for questions, corrections, or anyone wishing more information
 - No questions/comments from membership
 - Mike Riley made motion to approve 2015 General Meeting minutes, Nancy Edmundson second, All approved
4. Guest Speaker, Principal Transportation Planner, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) - Karen Fink
 - Brendan Riley introduced Karen Fink and thanked her for attending the meeting
 - Karen provided an overview of transportation planning activities for the Tahoe basin
 - TRPA's objective is to lay the groundwork for a transportation system that meets community needs and goals; it is an evolving plan and system
 - Karen explained that past plans were Auto-oriented traffic plans but now transportation plans support and protect environment by addressing safe places to bike/walk
 - TRPA is currently updating regional transportation plan (it's a 20 year plan that is updated every four years)
 - Plan updates include auto-transit projects, bike trail, community-requested projects, and funding plans (All projects must be financially justified)
 - TRPA recommends/plans projects but local jurisdictions actually build projects e.g. Douglas County, City of South Lake Tahoe, etc.
 - TRPA is currently getting public input on priorities/projects; High level corridor plans draft is due in September – will hope to get strategies outlined; Highway 50 on East shore is a top priority
 - TRPA works jointly with the Tahoe Transportation District to examine corridor plans and highlight individual projects e.g. Stateline to Marla Bay, etc.
 - TRPA also working on electric vehicle infrastructure plan for deployment of electric vehicles; also working on development plan so that new development sustainable, supports walking/biking, etc.

- Karen asked that residents at the meeting review a survey “priority” board to provide input on their interests and goals for improving transportation in the Tahoe basin e.g. safety, connected transportation system, etc.
- Karen distributed an email address from which residents can review articles and status on transportation projects and sign up for electronic newsletters www.linkingtahoe.com
- Resident surveys are also available at www.linkingtahoe.com/input for those residents who could not attend or did not want to review the survey at the meeting
- Karen asked for comments/questions from the membership at the meeting
 - Greg Westerbeck asked about plans for a “Road diet” through this area?
 - Karen responded that TRPA is working with NDOT doing corridor planning including addressing a separated bike trail, more frequent transit to recreation areas; TRPA will get public input on corridor plans – will propose alternatives and select most efficient/cost-effective which meets goals – no decision yet
 - Greg asked for a definition of a “ROAD DIET” and Karen responded that typically it is reducing lanes to accommodate bike lanes, turn lanes, transit priority lanes, etc.
 - Greg asked when a plan would be ready? Karen indicated that a Draft plan will be out in September and will be announced by newsletter and on the above-mentioned website
 - Mike Riley mentioned the Sand Harbor backup he drove through getting to today’s meeting and that Zephyr Cove highway parking congestion is likely caused by ARAMARK charging \$35 for parking
 - Mike Riley asked for information about the Highway 50 project through Stateline; Karen explained plans for a road diet which included reducing the number of lanes through casino area, wider sidewalks, and redirecting/changing the loop road behind the casinos into Highway 50 ; she also mentioned that as of July 1 – Tahoe Transportation District took over local transportation management in South Lake Tahoe
 - Greg Westerbeck reiterated that parking at Zephyr Cove is really dangerous; Karen responded that the problem there is like Sand Harbor; a potential solution is to make roadside parking illegal and put in free transit as was done for Sand Harbor from Incline Village using community input
 - Greg Westerbeck asked who decides parking rates at Zephyr Cove? Answer, parking at Zephyr Cove is part of the Lease from the Forest service; ARAMARK concessionaire can decide price even though it causes safety problems
 - Carol Borsos commented that parking in Zephyr Cove on highway happens every weekend
 - Scott Hinds suggested moving fence at Zephyr to make more highway parking space
 - John Franzia asked if TRPA is currently working with the forest service [on transportation projects] Karen answered yes, that the Forest Service is very involved and amenable to bike trails, etc.
 - Chuck Block asked if public bathrooms were planned along these new trails, etc.? Karen answered, yes, they are part of the plan
- Karen said that the implementation of corridor plans will take 3 years

5. Board, Committee, and GID Leads provided annual Status reports to membership

A. *Treasurer's report* - Dick Barnard for Piper Smith

- Dick reviewed the highlights of Treasurers report with residents and commented in general that finances were in a very healthy condition
 - More assets than liabilities; As of June 17, \$20,000 in general fund, \$20,000 in buoy fund but there will be outstanding liabilities against buoy balance in next few months
 - Net Equity: about \$15,000 and there is a reserve in buoy field account
 - Dick explained that going forward there is a deficit budget for 2016 because of planned Association improvement projects (e.g. new speed signs, etc.)
 - Some of planned project expense is offset by extra contributions from a few members (thank you!) totaling \$1200
 - Dues membership collection to date, 75% for 2016 – reflected in cash balance of general account but that balance will be needed for projects over the next year;
 - Dues are payable at the back table for those who want to pay at the meeting – see Carol Borsos
 - Because we want to ensure a balanced budget in future and because of upcoming projects, Dick will discuss the need for a potential membership dues increase later in the agenda
- Mike Riley made motion to approve the Treasurer's report, Jan Lambert second, all approved

B. *General Improvement District (GID) Activities* - Jack McQuirk

- Jack introduced GID board members to the general membership
- Jack mentioned that the GID will have two board openings this year, three people running which currently include Ron Borsos and Ann Barnard
- Jack discussed upcoming GID projects in Marla Bay which included re-pavement of the corner of Tallac and Job (will be closed for four days), new curbing on Lakeshore and work on Pharris to prevent flooding
- Annual cleanup went well and thanked community for help in bagging debris: GID picked up 6 dump trucks of debris
- Jack mentioned that a flagpole will be installed at the entrance near the Marla Bay sign – one 3x5 U.S. flag, with solar lighting, will fly 24x7, 365 days/year
- This winter/spring the GID cooperated with the Presbyterian Conference Grounds while they paved their entrance allowing auto access to their grounds through Marla Bay
- GID paid for part of new speed sign
- Ann Lee asked if there was a timeframe for working on grading and re-pavement project on Tallac; Jack was not sure of the exact date

C. *Buoy Committee* - Ryan Davis

- Ryan Davis introduced the members of the buoy committee to the general membership
- Ryan explained that the MBPA Buoy Committee voluntarily raises the buoy field in Spring and lowers it in Fall in order to eliminate winter wear/tear on equipment and also for scenic reasons
- Ryan thanked the families who allowed dropping floats this year to accommodate everyone who wanted a buoy which also allowed the MBPA field to remain in TRPA compliance for the number of floats in the field
- Ryan explained that our buoy field has an Army Corp of Engineers permit, a State Lands permit, and a TRPA permit
- Dennis Farnesi asked if Marla Bay had yet received the annual High Sierra Marine buoy field inspection report? Ryan answered no and that we are typically billed for their improvement work on the field later in the summer
- Carol McQuirk mentioned that the "number" on the McQuirk buoy isn't correct. She asked if we could have High Sierra Marine correct it? Ryan answered that the Buoy Committee could probably change the number manually
- Ryan briefly described the Buoy field expansion plans' status; Army Corp of Engineers approved expansion to 71 buoys; Nevada State Lands approved expansion to 60 buoys; TRPA shoreline process is the final approval which we are awaiting —their approval could take several years

D. *MBPA Website, Swag and Roster Updates* - Cathy Westerbeck and Ron Borsos

- Cathy reported that updates were made to the MBPA Roster through last week and mentioned that printouts were on the back table; she asked the membership to review them to ensure their information was current
- Cathy reminded residents to send pictures, stories for the website
- Ron Borsos reminded membership that he is handling SWAG (Marla Bay tee-shirts, hats, sweatshirts, etc.); he is prepared to send another order but there is a minimum required; Order forms on the back table as well as available on the Marla Bay website

E. *Post-fireworks Beach Cleanup* - Ron Borsos

- Ron reminded folks to meet on the beach, 9 am on July 5 to check for firework debris
- If residents find firework debris, please take a picture and send it to Ron (who will forward to authorities)

F. *Security for July 3-4 holiday* - Brendan Riley

- Brendan Riley reported that Martin-Ross from Reno was engaged for holiday security; Brendan mentioned that the first day (Saturday) they turned away about 120 gatecrashers as well as noticing that a large number of cars entered and then exited after seeing security; those attempting to access Marla Bay included 9 UBER taxis.
- Brendan reminded membership that the first year we had security, 1600 people were turned away; last year 600 people turned away (likely due to inclement weather)

- Brendan mentioned that July 4 there will have two guards and that the password and placards were sent out earlier in email to the membership
- Cost of this year's holiday security for three days - \$1100 (\$100 under original budget)

6. New Business

A. *Voluntary dues increase from \$100 to \$115* - Dick Barnard for Piper Smith

- Dick Barnard covered explanation for the need in a general membership dues increase
- The Board of Directors is recommending a \$15 increase (\$100 to \$115) to cover budget needs in future without using excessive reserves; want to ask membership for input and approval by vote
- Mike Riley made motion to raise membership fee to \$115/year during group discussion but then suggested raising fee to \$125 with intention to use additional \$10 to build reserves
- Mike Riley amended his motion to raise Marla Bay General Membership fee to \$125, second Don Swickard; All in favor, no one opposed

B. *Status on August 13 Marla Bay Days* - Brendan Riley for Piper Smith

- Brendan explained that Marla Bay Days will be conducted on August 13 and will include blocking off the street in front of Scott/Piper Smith's residence;
- Board will circulate information on website and email to residents about what to bring; email will be sent out in the next few weeks
- Brendan mentioned that Marla Bay Days provides an opportunity for all residents to visit with neighbors

C. *Annual Board of Directors Membership Review/Ratification* - Ryan Davis

- Roy Pike provided a brief history of his participation in the MBPA and then announced his permanent resignation from the MBPA Board of Directors
- Ryan reminded membership that the MBPA Board serves at the pleasure of the general membership and that Board members are elected to one-year terms each year asking general membership for ratification
- Board has the ability to fill vacancies throughout the year if vacancies arise
- Ryan asked general membership for nomination of existing Board members
- Mike Riley made motion to approve Board members as exists, Nancy Edmunds on second, All approved
- Brendan asked general membership for names of those interested in filling the existing vacancy on the Board (formerly held by Roy Pike) and mentioned that Ed Wheelbarger had volunteered
- Brendan reminded membership that anyone can volunteer for various committees, e.g. buoys, transportation, etc. and that general membership participation is important

D. Other new business

- Jan Lambert asked residents with pets to keep those pets on a leash; Douglas county requirement specifically requires owners to keep dogs under control – if it takes leash to control a pet, you must use it
- Donna Hawksford commented that there has been an increase in noise from barking dogs; she asked residents and guests to please notice and control your dogs in consideration of neighbors
- Chuck Block mentioned that Construction workers and PineWild residents are allowing dogs to wander through our community off leash;

Action Item: Brendan will contact PineWild

- Phyllis Pike inquired if the \$15 membership dues increase was retroactive? Dick Barnard answered no, it is going forward for the 2017 budget
- Carol McQuirk reminded the membership about the first, annual Marla Bay Fourth of July Parade, starting at 12 noon at the McQuirk residence; there will be a reviewing stand at Roy/Phyllis Pikes

7. Special Recognition, Closing Comments - Brendan Riley

- Brendan presented recognition award to Ryan Davis for his extensive work on expanding the MBPA Buoy field and for other contributions in the past
- In particular, Ryan was able to engage a consultant to do a great deal of the work at no charge to MBPA through the MBPA support during the installation of Dr. Passen's boatlift

8. Adjourn to Next General Membership Meeting, Sunday, July 2, 2017

- John Franzia made motion to adjourn the 2016 General Membership Meeting, Mike Riley second, All approved
- Meeting adjourned at 10:41 am

Meeting Minutes Respectfully Submitted by
Marijeanne Rende
MBPA Secretary
July 7, 2016