



NEW MONTEREY

Neighborhood ASSOCIATION

New Monterey Neighborhood Association General Meeting Minutes 11 September, 2006

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bruce Crist, Barbara Evans, Bob Evans, Joanne Kelly, Nancy Runyon, Robert Wemheuer

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: none

GUESTS: Pam von Ness, Deputy Commander, POM Garrison, John Elliott, POM Chief of Engineering

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. The meeting was a general meeting of the Association.

DLI presentation highlights

Ms. Von Ness and Mr. Elliott made a presentation about the DLI portion of the POM master plan revision. Their presentation was focused on responding to questions that had been submitted to them in August by the NMNA Board. These questions were included in the September, 2006 edition of the NMNA newsletter. Their presentation also covered other salient points as they felt appropriate.

- The points made by Ms. Von Ness and Mr. Elliott include the following
- The master plan was last updated in 1984.
- The current plan update was started in 2005.
- The plan is divided into two major components: 1) buildings and grounds and 2) environmental issues, ranging from endangered species issues to traffic considerations.
- The first draft of the buildings and grounds portion of the plan was rejected by the Pentagon due to force protection issues.
- The revised buildings and grounds draft plan is expected to be completed by the end of February, 2007.
- It is estimated that the environmental portion of the plan will take 18 to 24 months to draft. The process will include public scoping sessions at the outset. There will be a 45 day public review period after the draft plan issued.
- The environmental portion of the plan will cost several hundred thousand dollars to complete. Currently no funds are appropriated and authorized for work on the plan. It is hoped that such funds will be available in the fiscal year ending 31 October, 2007. However, the currently proposed FY07 DOD budget does not include funding for this item.
- Future building construction plans for DLI include a dental clinic and three general instruction buildings.
- The general instruction buildings will be constructed between 2009 and 2012.
- The D.E.I.R. for the general instruction buildings should be complete by May,

2007.

- DLI currently has approximately 1,600 instructors.
- 244 instructors were hired in FY06 but this was 196 below the goal.
- DLI may hire an additional 500 instructors as soon as appropriate individuals can be identified.
- The hiring of instructors is negatively impacted by higher technical skill standards than in the past and the high cost of living in the Monterey Peninsula area.
- While there are problems convincing instructors to relocate to the Monterey Peninsula, once they are here, it appears to be difficult to get them to consider moving elsewhere. During the BRAC process, one of the factors favouring retention of DLI in Monterey was an estimate that 40% of the faculty population would not be willing to relocate to a new DLI site.
- There was a discussion of entry gates and emergency transportation corridors across DLI.
- Consideration is being given to revising which gates will be operational on the Old Town side of the post.
- One of the access issues with the gates is that there needs to be, for security reasons, a minimum of a 9 second delay in the ability of a vehicle to get onto the post. This impacts the design of the gates and entranceways onto the post.
- POM is quite aware of the traffic stacking issues.
- Ms. von Ness noted a recent test of emergency transportation corridors across DLI that was made by POM security personnel in collaboration with Monterey and Pacific Grove public safety authorities.
- Barbara Evans suggested that there be a coordination effort between the DLI master plans and New Monterey Area Plan.
- In response to several parking comments, Ms. von Ness noted that DLI is looking at paying people to use public transportation. Mr. Elliott noted that all “new” parking lots have to be located at the perimeter of the post due to force protection concerns.
- In wrapping up the presentation, Ms. von Ness said that POM’s new garrison commander, Col. Martis, would like to attend an NMNA meeting as soon as her schedule permits.

By-law change re NIP

Bob Evans introduced a proposed change to the by-laws that would make the Association’s NIP representative a Board member. Comments from the membership included the following.

- It wasn’t necessary for the NIP representative to be a board member.
- Other neighborhood associations NIP representative’s aren’t necessarily board members.
- In the past, by-law changes were made only at the Association’s “annual” meeting and for this reason, a by-law change at any other board meeting was inappropriate.
- There were two objections to lack of notice of the issue. One member stated that she had not been receiving her copy of the Association newsletter. A non-member stated that this was the first that he had heard of the issue.
- It was suggested that because of the importance of NIP to the neighborhood, the only sensible thing was for the NIP representative to be included on the Board.
- Joanne Garden moved that the entire matter be moved to the Association’s

- “annual” meeting. The motion was seconded. After discussion, Joanne withdrew her motion.
- Barbara Evans moved that the discussion of the by-law change be moved to the November meeting,, with adequate notice and that electronic debate be encouraged. The motion was seconded and approved.

Vote for NIP representative

Following the discussion of the proposed by-law change, Bob Evans called for nominations and a vote for NMNA’s 2007 NIP representative. Bob Evans and Sharon Dwight were nominated. The first vote ended in a 7/7 tie. Brenda Webster said that she would pay her dues to join the Association. She did so. The second vote resulted in Sharon Dwight being elected NIP representative on an 8/7 vote.

Bob Evans, Joanne Garden and Robert Wemheuer volunteered to be alternate representatives.

Airport Noise

Julia Cardoza presented a 10 minute monologue regarding airport noise.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Bruce Crist
Secretary