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The Lake Merced Task Force

Agenda for Full Task Force Meeting

Larcombe Clubhouse

Wednesday, October 8, 2008

6:00 - 9:00 pm (Dinner, 5:30-6:00pm)

Attendance (* = voting members as of 10/8/08)

Craig Cooper	SF Tyee Club	*Dennis Shea	SF Rifle Association
*Lisa Wayne	SFRPD	*Mona Cereghino	Lakeshore Tenants Association
*Randy Zebell	Cal Native Plants	Dick Morton	SPUR
*Barbara Holzman	SFSU	Erik Rosegard	CPRS
La Mohne Addleman	GG Angling & Casting Club	Tim Colen	Greater W Portal Nghbrhd Ass.
*Dee Dee Workman	SF Beautiful	Bud Wilson	Greater W Portal Nghbrhd Ass.
*Suzanne Gautier	SFPUC	Jamie Ray	SF ROMP
*Dan Murphy	GG Audubon	Dick Allen	GG Heights Neighborhood Ass.
Betsey Eagon	SFPUC	*Laura Castellini	Nature in the City
David Behar	SFPUC	*James Grant	Pacific Rod and Gun Club
Andrew Jensen	Pacifica 4H Club	Fred Tautenbaum	GG Rod and Gun Club
Walt Bengier	Longshore Acres Imprvmnt Club	Gunard Mahl	Pacific Jr. Rifle
*Jim Stark	Longshore Acres Imprvmnt Club	*Mabel Jung	Cal Dragon Boat Ass.
*John Hentz	South End Rowing Club	*Robert Maddon	Olympic Club
*Joseph Mucelli	Civilian Marksmanship Program	Richard Young	Lake Merced Hill
*William Peterson	Olympic Club Rifle Team		

1. Call to Order 6:07
2. Public comment
 - a. ROMP rehabilitates wildlife and is available to answer any questions regarding the wildlife rehabilitation center proposal (1/2 acre need and Lake Merced is preferred location) site: www.ROMP.org
3. Approval of Agenda - approved with no changes
4. Approval of Minutes – approved with no changes
5. Action Items - approval of new members into the Task Force
 - a. Lisa Wayne (SFRPD) expressed concern that a significant number of membership applicants (5 of 6) have a significant relationship with the Pacific Rod and Gun Club. LMTF has been an organization that has been around for 10+ years and caution needs to be exercised in diluting the breadth of membership and focusing on a single issue (PRGC). There is also a possibility that this may lead to a loss of existing organizations.
 - b. DeeDee (SF Beautiful) concurred with Lisa in that the PRGC constituency is already well represented and this representation may intimidate other organizations.
 - c. Concern that the application process did not adequately screen potential members (e.g., Pacifica 4H Club's cover letter only mentions use of PRGC site for air rifle program at 10 hours/month)
 - d. Fred Tautenbaum (GG Rod & Gun Club) rebutted by explaining that the influx of new membership applicants are now just becoming acutely aware of the concerns related to Lake Merced
 - e. PUC abstained from all votes
 - f. Applicants and voting results based on 16 eligible members (approved; disapproved; abstained):
 - GG Rod and Gun Club – approved (8, 4, 3)
 - San Francisco Tyee Club – approved (14, 0, 1)
 - Pacific Rod and Gun Club Juniors Program – (8, 6, 1)
 - GG Angling and Casting Club – (10, 1, 1)
 - Model A Ford Club of America – (motion to table failed; 8, 6, 1)
 - Pacifica 4 H Club – (10, 3, 1) one voting member left meeting
6. Announcements and Communications
 - a. Mondy Lariz, resignation as Chair of Lake Merced Task Force was rescinded – LMTF member applause
 - b. Dee Dee Workman will still act as a volunteer representative for SF Beautiful announcement

7. San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC)

a. Status of Lake Merced

- Betsy Eagan representing PUC discussed LM water level restoration project (see handout and PowerPoint on SFWater.org)
- No issues with recycled water and animals at golf courses. Any issues are regulated.
- The focus is using recycled storm water through wetlands vs. ground water (previous focus was ground water)
- The water from the wetland treatment will go into South Lake.
- Plan is to pull water into Impound Lake to re-circulate the wetland
- All Lakes are hydraulically connected
- Plan will look at the effect of lake levels reaction to proposal
- Plan will test for lead at South end of PRGC where proposed water will enter South Lake

b. Local Projects Update

- John Muir Flood Management plan
 - Rock walls and burms intended to catch and direct flood water to the Lake without erosion
 - PUC was in charge of design and consulted with Audubon, CalTrout, and LMTF
 - Still need to revegetate ???
 - Cut catch basins at the rock wall forcing water to an unmortared stilling basin
- Lake Merced Pump station Essential Upgrade Project - everything is on target and moving forward

c. Lake Merced Watershed Plan update

- Additional investigations and community meetings (one being sponsored Neighborhood Parks and Nature in the City)
- Three more meetings with neighborhood associations, nature, and recreation will be scheduled in the next couple of months and was based on the need to expand public outreach
- Increased scope of work in the area of erosion based on Erosion Committee request - Supervisor Elsbernd is exploring funding
- Lead study status = a study of the upland area with regards to lead will be selected and paid for by PRGC
 - Request to review the consultant's proposal

8. Committee Reports

a. Steering Committee - no report

b. Treasurer's Report - \$3139.12 (-\$236.76 for catering)

c. Erosion Committee Status

- Dan moved to continue committee for two more years before sunset. Unanimously approved
- erosion@lmtf.org e-mail requested - approved

d. Recreation Committee (Youth Fishing update)

- Two historic rowing meetings
- Rowing clubs invited PUC regarding facility use and location. Discussed pros/cons of watershed plan scenarios 1-3. The merging of an all encompassing aquatic center was worth further exploration.

e. Nature Committee (spine flower update)

- A rare plant (San Francisco Spine Flower) lives in the sandy area at the northeast corner of Impound Lake. Concern with proposed raising target water level threatening flowers (100s). Randy will check on the "threat level" of the flower.
- Colonial bird survival - 200 (down from 325) Kormerants. Thirteen Great Blue Herons with ?? chicks at 2.7/nest. The low numbers could be due to the low bait fish in the ocean

f. Water Committee

- Would like to have a joint meeting with Nature Committee to discuss water level and flora
- Concern with the causeway sewer pipe – status? No plan to reroute and emergency plan not known. PUC (Suzanne) will follow-up with more information.

9. New Business if any

10. Next meeting date: Wednesday, January 7, 2009 5:30-9:00pm

11. Adjourn – 8:50pm