

Minutes of the Marina Bay Neighborhood Council

Meeting was called to order by President Stan Anderson at 7:30 p.m.

Self-introductions were done.

Officer David Longacre provided the monthly Crime Statistics for our neighborhood. Since the last meeting there were 3 incidents reported: one auto theft in the 2900 block of Regatta, near the meat packing plant; one auto theft on Lakeshore Court at The Shores; one battery on Schooner Court at The Cove.

Stan commented that when he attended the Richmond Neighborhood Coordinating Council meeting recently the Police Chief reported a citywide 30-40% decrease in all kinds of reported crimes.

Stan mentioned that City Council plans to review at the May 22 council meeting, community-generated art on private property. He made miscellaneous other announcements ranging from yellow jacket control to a gas pipeline announcement expected from PG&E/EBMUD/Kinder Morgan, to outdoor vendors. There was a proposed sixty-five foot cell tower for the area behind the meat packing plant. Stan is working with the Planning Commission on this.

RED OAK VICTORY, <http://www.ssredoakvictory.com/index.htm> : George Cole, of Pt. Richmond, a docent on the Red Oak, gave a presentation about this historic boat. He is also a Richmond Museum of History (4th & Nevin) board member and this boat is part of their purview.

The Red Oak Victory is the last surviving ship of a total of 747 ships built here in Richmond during World War II (Richmond at that time was the fourth largest shipbuilding center in the country). The Red Oak Victory weighs 15,200 tons, is 453' long, 62' wide, and is a 100' from top of the mast to the tip of the keel. http://www.flickr.com/photos/ml_kap/1711785332/

The Red Oak was used to deliver *materiel* to war zones during WWII. It was also used during the Korean War and the Viet Nam War.

Someone asked if pancake breakfasts are still being held on the Red Oak. They are and the next ones are on Mother's Day and Father's Day. They are \$6/person. <http://www.zvents.com/z/richmond-ca/pancake-breakfasts--events--174146765>

Currently 30 people work on the boat in any given week....from steamfitters to carpenters to docents. To volunteer, call (510) 237-2933. Participation and donations are welcome.

Mr. Cole stated this ship represents a key part of Richmond's renaissance. At this time, it actually floats and is not stuck in the mud!! However, there is a plan under way to move it via tugboat to drydock in San Francisco in July for 3 weeks to examine the hull and do all the necessary repairs.

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RICHMOND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY PROJECTS:

Alan Wolken, Jacqueline Majors and Nick Panayotou were the speakers. Three major Marina Bay projects were discussed:

- the Meade Street Bypass road,
- Bay Trail Rehabilitation, and
- the Officer Bradley A. Moody Memorial Underpass.

Refer to: <http://www.marinabaycouncil.org/landscaping-2/related-projects/> and to <http://www.marinabaycouncil.org/landscaping-2/bay-trail-rehab/> for detailed info given at tonight's meeting.

May's agenda will feature City Councilman Jeff Ritterman (a cardiologist) discussing his new Health Ambassador Program, and Mr. Goines of the City's Finance Department.

Meeting adjourned at 9 on the dot.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ruth Zablotsky, Secretary
Marina Bay Neighborhood Council