



**Meeting Minutes**  
**Bryant Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting**  
**Monday, November 6, 2023, 7:00 - 9:00 pm**

**Board Members Present:** Alan Arora, Andy Leonard, Ann Mikulka, Ann Savage, Carl Gardener, Jeff Hamm

**Where:** Lakeridge Middle School

**Purpose:** Annual Meeting

**Minutes:**

**1. Call to Order - Alan Arora**

Introduction of Board Members and our speaker Kyra Haggart

Agenda Highlights:

- Presentation
- Election of our 2024 Board of Directors
- Emergency Prep update
- Traffic Safety initiatives around schools and pathways
- Update on Lakeridge Middle School Field project
- Questions and ideas - We encourage residents to propose neighborhood improvement projects before or during the meeting.

**2. Parks Plan 2040 Presentation - Kyra Haggart from Parks and Recreation.**

Parks and Rec would like to learn about community needs and align them with investments. In early 2025, City Council will adopt a specific plan. There will be many opportunities to comment beforehand like the current Parks survey and an event at the Adult Community Center.

Answers to Questions and Audience Suggestions:

- The audience participated in a whiteboard activity by marking answers to questions.
- The Parks Plan will include nature preserve parks that fall under the protection of Measure 3-568. Bryant and Lamont Park will be included. These parks are on a maintenance schedule. A resident said that there's a lot of debris on paths at Bryant Park.
- The LOSD is responsible for the tennis court at Lakeridge Middle School.
- Parks & Rec will strive to achieve all goals including those of the 2012 plan.

- Have kids and/or teachers provide their ideas. Run this by schools. Contact the Youth Action Council. Offer prizes.
- Some projects involve both the LOSD and Parks & Rec. The aquatic center is a joint effort.
- There will be a skate park at Stafford Road by Rosemont Road.
- There is no land to build a new library. It would be necessary to demolish a building.

**3. Election of our 2024 Board of Directors - Alan Arora**

Residents nominated to the new Board are Alan Arora, Andy Leonard, Ann Mikulka, Ann Savage, Jeff Hamm, Carl Gardener, and Cheryl Levie.

The above nominated were elected unanimously.

Elections for new Board Officers will be scheduled for the next Board meeting.

**4. Emergency Preparedness Committee Update - Andy Leonard**

FRS radios have a reach of 1 mile or so. Channel 17 is the one used by our community. The current team conducts a radio drill every Monday. Bill DeBuhr is a radio expert and a great resource. Larry Chalfan will lead our BNA drills.

Earlier in the meeting, Bill DeBuhr offered to send information to share with residents on how to prepare for emergencies.

There are BNA Emergency Prep Captains in seven zones but Zone 1 north of Lakeview Dr. needs a captain.

Some residents of our neighborhood have received CERT training.

Prep LO is becoming more of a City-sponsored organization. The website helps spread information - <https://www.preplo.org/>. The focus is now on how to assist vulnerable populations and residents in multi-family buildings in an emergency.

Additional Points:

The current team is currently conducting regular emergency radio drills.

Lakeridge Middle School was built to withstand an earthquake. The Red Cross will be in charge of the schools as emergency shelters. Water supplies are available at the Maintenance Building located on Pilkington.

**5. Update on School Traffic Safety - Andy Leonard**

There was a break in LOSD leadership but now there's a new team leader and there's a workable school traffic safety group. The group is especially focusing on traffic mitigation around schools. It has become a city-wide group. There are more buses now, speed mitigation signs, less e-bikes. There is a district-wide ban on scooters and e-bikes partially due to pressure from this group.

**6. Lakeridge Middle School Update (LU-22-0022) – Andy Leonard**

Construction is complete. The lights are up. The concession building may be a project under a future capital improvement bond.

**7. Neighborhood Signs - Andy Leonard**

Janet Carr made our Bryant Neighborhood yard signs. We have several to give away to anyone who knows of a good spot for them.

**8. Gas-powered landscaping equipment - Jeff Hamm**

A new City sub-committee is considering a ban on gas-powered leaf blowers but it doesn't have the resources to ban them. So, it's necessary to continue informing the community about the disadvantages of gas-powered equipment.

Additional Points:

- There will be a symposium at the Nike campus related to this topic.
- The LO Sustainability Network plans to have a meeting on the topic in November.
- Costco's goal is to sell only electric blowers.

**9. Open Discussion (Board and all attendees)**

- Some residents said that better signs/arrows would make it easier to exit the Lakeridge Middle School parking lot.
- Residents have volunteered to pull a lot of weeds at the middle school.
- Some dogs are running off-leash on school grounds.
- Potholes are developing on Jean Rd.
- Speeding cars on Bryant, especially between Cobb and Chapman. There's a need for mitigation. Appropriate issue for the Traffic Safety group.
- Carl Gardner contacted the City about shrubs that were blocking a sidewalk on Bryant. They have been trimmed.
- The City is aware of the flooding issue on Redfern.
- Please send us an email to report on other issues - [bnassoc.18@gmail.com](mailto:bnassoc.18@gmail.com).

**10. Next Meeting**

Our next non-public Board meeting will be held in early 2024. The purpose will be to elect our new Board Officers.

**11. Adjourn - Alan Arora**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

**Submitted by:**

Ann Mikulka

Secretary

November 30, 2023