

## **FRIENDS OF BELMONT SHORE**

**March 2, 2017 meeting, St. Bartholomew's Fellowship Hall, 6 pm**

### **Welcome - President Dick Gaylord**

#### **“A Marijuana Shop on Second Street?” Ajay Kolluri, Assistant to the City Manager and Marijuana Regulatory Officer**

- What does this mean to my neighborhood? Treated like other businesses: cited for violations, brought into compliance or license revoked. Required regulations: Medical Marijuana may not be inhaled or ingested on the property or parking lot, sale takes place inside only, odor absorbing required, hours of operation: 9am-8pm, community relations liaison, no sale or consumption of alcohol on property, labeled properly, all products tested, disposed of properly.

- Buffers: Schools, beaches—1,000 feet; Parks, libraries—600 feet. Suzie Price: Two concerns- how we protect our kids and cash-only operation creates potential for crime. Urged concerned residents to come to community liaison meetings. Partnership with dispensary owners hugely important.

- Elliott Lewis and Kevin Brooks, current owners of dispensary on Second Street, introduced selves. Their business plan has emphasis on security; working on solution for all cash business.

#### **Introduction of Suzie Price, Third District Councilwoman and Bill Lorbeer, Parking Commission President and Friends board member**

#### **A History of Belmont Shore - Stan Poe**

Naples and BS originally surrounded by swamps and marshes. Bixby family first purchased land. Henry Huntington's red car (trolley) mass transit system brought electricity to the cities, connected LA counties, and brought tourists to the beaches, making them popular destinations. Selover bought Marine Stadium land from Huntington. Marine Stadium built in 1923. Used the dirt dug up to fill in BS and BP. Pacific Electric Line tracks laid on Livingston, but main street became Second Street. Streets named by inland communities to lure prospective buyers from those communities. Homes built first. Businesses developed later, as residents expressed interest in types of business they would frequent. Banks required developers to build garages, foreseeing the future popularity of the automobile.

**Introductions to current business owners in attendance:** Billings' ACE Hardware - Doug Billings and Jennifer Cuevas, owner of Taco Surf

#### **Applications for new Board Members and Introduction of the Board**

#### **Treasurer's Report — Dick Gaylord**

On 1/31 statement, cash available: \$6,193.80

Deposited: \$44.26

Withdrawals: \$1,198.00 (directors' and liability insurance)

As of 2/28 statement, remaining balance: \$5,040.06

#### **Comments from Members and Survey for Future Meeting Ideas**

**Next Meeting - April 6th, 6:00 p.m.**

Meeting minutes taken by BJ Newell, Secretary