

FRIENDS OF BELMONT SHORE

September 6, 2018 meeting, Bayshore Community Congregational Church, 6:30 pm

Welcome — President Bitta Sharma

- Introduction of new board members
- Post-it brainstorm on the wall inviting members to share what speakers, issues or events they want to see.

Business Owners in Attendance

- Lasher's Kitchen
- Simmzy's
- Rance's Chicago Pizza
- Olympix Gym

Treasurer's Report — Mike Crosby

- Beginning Balance \$4,089.41
- Deposits/Credits \$2,315.28
- Checks/Debits \$1,700.00
- Ending Balance \$4,704.69
- No questions were raised by the membership.

Events Update — BJ Newell and Angie Degen

- 2nd annual fundraiser *Sunset at the Beach* at Olympix Gym. Thursday, October 18 at 6pm. \$50/person
- Christmas parade on December 1st.

Special Presentation recognizing Dick Gaylord's service.

Presentation by Dede Rossi (Executive Director, Belmont Shore Business Association)

- Dede gave an overview of the services that Belmont Shore Business Association provides and events they organize.
- Questions can be addressed to Dede at dede@belmontshore.org.
- Dede and Councilwoman Suzie Price described the new No Trespassing Policy in the city of Long Beach.

Featured Presentation by John Keisler (Director, Long Beach Economic and Property Development) (Click here to view)

- John's office works on real estate development, workforce development and business development for the city of Long Beach.
- He reviewed a subset of the 70 residential, retail, academic, business (specifically innovation and entrepreneurship), hospitality & leisure, and warehouse developments in the works in Long Beach.
- It is possible as a private citizen to make a no-interest loan to a small business in Long Beach through [kiva.org](https://www.kiva.org/lend?city_state=Long+Beach,CA). Loans through kiva are paid back at a rate of 98%. (https://www.kiva.org/lend?city_state=Long+Beach,CA)

Presentation by Patrick O'Dowd (LBPD New East Division Commander)

- Pat introduced himself and expressed that he intends to be very responsive.

No questions were asked by the members.

Next meeting: October 4th, 6:30pm

Minutes submitted by Cate Swigart, Secretary