

DEMCCO General Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2021

The Zoom meeting was called to order by President Linda Slater at 10:06 AM with 34 participants. Ms. Slater welcomed everyone and the new members.

- I. The agenda was approved as written without objections.
- II. Minutes of the March 2021 meeting were approved as written without objections.
- III. Speaker: Brady Bradshaw from non-profit OCEANA 501c3 organization. His highlights were:
 - A. Save the oceans and save the world. Most of the world survives on fish. Large fish are especially toxic due to ingesting more plastic that contains petro chemicals.
 - B. 33 billion pounds of plastic - 2 garbage trucks full - go into the ocean every minute!
 - C. Now micro plastics are everywhere; in the air, water and soil. People consume about 5 grams (the size of a credit card) each day!
 - D. Plastic has increased with fracking, the Trump administration did not help this pollution.
 - E. Unfortunately only 2% of recycled plastic ever gets recycled. China stopped taking recyclables in 2017 the rest just piles up.
 - F. Recycling and incineration don't solve the problems –we have to stop making plastics.
 - G. For plastic produciton “If one’s tub is overflowing, don’t grab a mop, turn the faucet off.”
 - H. What we can cities do to solve the plastics problem?
 1. Reduce the use of certain single use plastics/foam
 2. Prohibit release of balloons or ban balloons altogether
 3. Phase outs work
 4. Straws, utensils, stirrers by request only
 5. Incentivize the use of reusable products and tax single use plastic
- IV. Citizens for Friendly Airport Update by Hope Nelson:
 - A. The Board of Supervisors announced they will not appeal the court ruling and consider rescinding the 2018 Master Plan for Palomar Airport.
 - B. Palomar Airport needs to have a new conditional use permit for any updates. This gives Carlsbad more leverage in the expansion.
 - C. C4FA still needs support to call or send emails to the Board of Supervisors meeting on May 5th. See [C4FA.org](https://www.c4fa.org) for instructions on speaking and sending emails including suggested wording for your email.
 - D. There are more legal fees so any financial donations are welcome! For more information see: [c4fa.org](https://www.c4fa.org)
- V. Comments from Elected Officials:
 - A. Spencer Katz reported for Terra Lawson Remer on updates on Homeless Health services.
 - B. Esther Sanchez, Mayor of Oceanside, reported on homeless shelters, vaccines centers, agricultural development and the El Corazon stadium affect on proposed parkland.
- VI. Election for Associate Member for Central Committee:

3 candidates, Diana Aguirre, Jane Marshall, and Jan Neff-Sinclair were nominated. Diana Aguirre and Jane Marshall share their experiences and goals for serving as an Associate member. Jan Neff-Sinclair withdrew citing time constraints and recommended members vote for Jan Marshall. It was moved/seconded (Sanchez) that Jane Marshall be selected

as Associate member since Diana is already an Associate member because she is a co-chair of the Community Service Committee. The vote on the motion was 27 yes and 10 no. Congratulations, Jane Marshall was selected!

VII. Announcements:

- A. David Hall said the memorial for George Floyd was really nice with a lot of DEMCCO folks.
- B. Diana Aguirre requested to stand in solidarity with Cori Shumacher is tonight and the DEMCCO PAC success is dependent on the members so sign up!
- C. Zack Zannoni reported there is an event in Oceanside in June where DEMCCO may be able to have a booth for voter registration.
- D. Susanne Ryan representing the North County Climate Change Alliance holds their meetings on the 2nd Thursday of the month. Go to this link for a list of events:
<https://ncccallyiance.org/events/>
- E. Kathie Rawlings (through Linda Slater) reported that the recall for Martha Alvarado needs help. Please contact Kathie by email at info@demcco.org for more information.

X. Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 12:16 PM. Next meeting May 22, 2021 at 10:00AM

Submitted by: Jane Marshall, Secretary

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