

# DEMCCO General Meeting Minutes

May 27, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Michele Cyr at 10:09am with 13 participants in person and 11 participants on zoom for a total attendance of 24. She welcomed everyone and all the new members. Michele provided a Land Acknowledgement.

- I. The Agenda was approved as written without objection
- II. The Minutes of the April 22, 2023 meeting were approved as written without objections.

### III. Vote on Campaign Contributions to Endorsed Candidates

Jan Neff-Sinclair moved the recommendation by EBoard to give donations of \$400 each to the following endorsed candidates: Teresa Acosta for Carlsbad City Council District 4, Esther Sanchez for Oceanside Mayor, Jimmy Figueroa for Oceanside City Council District 3.

The motion was seconded.

One member present objected to the motion; another member present stated it was too early to give candidates money; a third member asked what the current membership was and if we had a quorum. Barbara Collins answered they we indeed had a quorum as our membership would have to be greater than 240 for us not to as we need 10% and have 24 members present. The member was upset that we could not answer his direct question about our exact membership number and a few people left the meeting.

**Vote on motion to give \$400 to the three endorsed candidates:**

**All in Favor : 17 for ( 11 in person/6 on zoom) with 22 voting members inperson/on zoom PASSED**

### IV. Elected Officials Remarks (2 mins each)

None present

### V. Program: Saving Our Earth

Barbara Collins, an activist and leader for the Sierra Club, spoke about the benefits of community choice energy and the need to decarbonize.

Janis Selby Jones, an educator and leader for the Surfrider Foundation, updated us on the efforts to ban of single use plastic.

### VI. Announcements

No General Meeting for DEMCCO in June due to Independence parade  
Sign Up for tabling for Pride at the Beach June 3<sup>rd</sup>, Juneteeth June 17<sup>th</sup>

### VII. Raffle winner

\$20 – Carol Hilton won and donated proceeds back to club

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### VIII. **Debate:** The Pros and Cons of the Tamarack/Carslbad Blvd Traffic Circle ( 10 mins each)

Bill Fowler - Spoke in favor of this traffic circle; implications of things to come as there will be changes to coast line; as a DEM club we need to be involved in this otherwise developers/special interest will prevail

Steve Linke (Guest)– has served on traffic commission ; doesn't support proposal which would be similar to the one at State street;this turnaround has a high frequency of collisions; Steve expressed concerns that there is no traffic light to stop for pedestrians and bikers are supposed to dismount their bikes and about congestion as lanes come together going into roundabout

### IX. **General Announcements**

X. **Adjourned** at 12:06 pm until Saturday July 22, 2023 at 10 am

Submitted by Angie Knappenberger, Secretary

Approved July 22, 2023