

# Noe Valley Merchants & Professionals Association

## Meeting Minutes – 3/30/16

Call to Order: A quorum not being present at this meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM.

Officers present: B. Roddick, L. Barajas, D. Sheehan-Meyer

Secretary's minutes: Minutes from meeting 2/24/16 were distributed but no vote and no motions were made.

Treasures Report: No treasurer's report was presented.

### Old Business:

- Easter Egg Hunt was a success. We had the help of police officers, thanks to Captain Perea for sending them over to help with announcing raffle prizes and just being around.
- Membership dues to date, we have 66 members to date.

### New Business:

- Charles Spiegel suggested to have Janis Joplin's old apartment on 22<sup>nd</sup> and Noe be a tourist attraction. Some members agreed that it could be a good idea but have to see what building owner may think about that idea.
- Small Business Week
  - Commuter shuttle buses to run up and down through SF
  - May 21<sup>st</sup> & May 28<sup>th</sup>, need 10-15 merchants interested to participate. This is a chance for merchants to put sale items on the street without their own permit. Dani drafting flyer and will get approval once we have enough merchants signed up.
  - May 26<sup>th</sup>, Small Business awards at Wells Fargo Bank. We have emailed all merchants asking, How long has your business been open? Have you received an award? Who do you suggest deserves an award?
  - No Meeting in April

### Guest Speakers:

- Amy Sinclair – Clean Power SF
  - Clean Energy
  - They clean the water that we flush down the toilet
  - They work with solar energy
  - Enroll through PG&E
  - Less expensive on power bill
- Open Discussion
  - Parking and Bringing people to Noe Valley to shop. Veronica, with Astrid Rabat's shoes says the Farmers Market is great but there are people who chose not to come to Noe Valley on Saturday's because of the no parking issue on Saturday. Merchant's

suggested that there needs to be a inter-merchant committee to try and relocate the farmers market to a side street. Besides that the issue of stores closing and why they are closing.

- **Sean Brown, Pixi Board**

- A way to shop locally just online
- Some people prefer online shopping and would prefer this way to beat the no parking issue
- You get to chose from picking up at local store or shipping
- They are the Buy local initiative
- Free to sign up
- Free to join
- On the website you narrow down to product and location

- **Joey Blaczyk**

- SF Chambers of Commerce & Partners, SF Biz connect
- (Business to Business)
- Free Chamber Membership
- Put flyers on Website
- Will send us application to forward to all merchants

- **Officers Randy Caturay, Perez, and Wong**

- On Behalf of Captain Dan Perea wanted to thank everyone for allowing them to help at Easter Egg Hunt
- Officers will try to become more available
- Be aware of your surroundings if there is noise at random time at night it's obvious not appropriate call police
- Put up No trespassing signs inside your windows because they could be taken down by someone wanting to sleep outside your business. Should be updated every 6 months.
- Regular beat officer Ahern out on medical leave
- Be careful with people sleeping outside your business and don't try to make them leave they carry weapons so you can call non emergency number at 415-553-0123

### **Announcements**

- SFCDMA – dinner reminder Thursday April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 which w invited Captain Perea
- Sheila Ash – having event on April 23, 2016 – Earth Day (21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> street) from 10-1 fashion show, will email us flyer
- Noes Nest Bed and Breakfast Heavens fundraiser 1-5 and everyone should dress in biblical outfits
- Olive this olive that – Selling Display pottery for local shop

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 10:29 am.