CALL TO ORDER AT 4 PM.

1. ROLL CALL

Beautification and Natural Resources Commission Members: Jeanie Anton, Chair; Dave Myers; Thom Akeman; Colleen Goldsmith; Rebecca Lee; Lindsay Jacob. Absent: Kelly Terry

2. Approval of October Agenda

Clarification of #4 Presentations to say Presentation by Monarch Sanctuary docents. Motion to approve agenda carried 6-0-1.

3. Approval of Minutes

Unanimous approval of September minutes with two corrections noted: item #5, delete word oral and include with written public comments and for item #10, change museum docents to Monarch Sanctuary docents. Motion to approve carried 6-0-1.

4. Presentation by Monarch Sanctuary Docents

Mary Dainton commented on Monarch Butterfly parade that suggestion was made docents walk and participate in future parades. Noted tribal blessing on October 5th and distributed 10/15 status report on butterfly count; number of docents and visitors to sanctuary; physical condition of sanctuary; need for daily attention to bathroom during season; 27 field trips scheduled to date; and condition of rope sagging with one post loose. Also noted that first butterfly count to be made Friday (18th) and stats will be on museum web site.

5. Public Comments

a. Written communications (emails to BNRC) by Larry Hulberg regarding Monarch Butterfly Sanctuary and Jan Loomis regarding trash

b. Oral Communication: Lisa Ciani regarding the availability of meeting recordings; A-frames at Sea Palm warning of poison oak on recreation trail and expressed hope that Roundup will not be used. Connie Masotti emphasized importance of earlier sanctuary walk through date so that work would not be scheduled during butterfly season.
6. Reports Not Requiring Action

a. Council Liaison Nick Smith absent

b. Mayor Bill Peake remarked on city council meeting highlights: revised smoking/vaping ordinance; ban on gas powered leaf blowers; ongoing review for ban on single use plastics; upcoming review of cannabis sales; and Perkins Park landscaping presentation for October 30th meeting and update of Shoreline Management Plan. Also remarked on town hall meeting of the Coastal Wildlife Protection Advisory Committee.

c. Jeanie Anton commended city council support for single use plastics ban and Robert Pacelli for boxed trees donated to butterfly sanctuary.

7. Items Requiring Action: none

8. Unfinished Ongoing Business: none

9. New Business: none

10. Commissioner Reports

a. Rebecca Lee presented a listing of Native Nectar Plants recommended for Monarchs in the City of Pacific Grove that she researched and developed (this extensive list was attached to meeting agenda). Her emphasis was on plants specific for Monarch butterflies; plants that are drought resistant; and plants that will be good for PG coastal location. Her suggestion for a working title for a pamphlet is "For the Love of PG Monarchs"

b. Public Comment: Connie Masotti advised that female butterflies require nectar plants from October through the winter months; Mary Dainton brought up sunshine conditions in sanctuary and issue with excessive shade from Eucalyptus trees, with suggestion that trees be pruned in the spring.

c. Commissioner Comments: Jeanie Anton stated this plant list will be designed for residents and local gardeners with city staff addressing the graphics for a brochure/guide. Anton suggested that Rebecca and Connie review this first draft and bring back to November BNRC meeting; Dave
Myers suggested need for balance between shade and sun areas of sanctuary and whether other communities could plant milkweed for Monarchs further inland. Thom Akeman commented on Shoreline Management Plan that is realistically addressing erosion and rise in sea level; Colleen Goldsmith praised local presentations including Sustainable PG showing of Before the Flood film; Heritage Society lecture on Hayes Perkins and the Magic Carpet by David Laws at Chautauqua Hall; and the Coastal Wildlife Protection Advisory Committee town hall meeting that mapped 6 areas of coastline important for wildlife. Dave Myers noted scheduled Ethics training; and Rebecca Lee stated receipt of preliminary approval to plant trees (by school) and suggested that a sub-committee be established for the Monarch Sanctuary

11. Staff Announcements: None

12. Items for Next Agenda
   a. Update on Native Nectar Plant list
   b. Monarch Sanctuary docent report
   c. Status of island landscape plan by post office

13. Meeting Adjourned at 4:40 pm

Jean Anton, Chair

Secretary

Signature

Date 17 Dec 2019