

County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY**  
**August 3, 2021 7:00PM**

**In Person meeting one**

**Administrative Items**

Co-Chair Steve Stonehouse brought the meeting to order at 7:00PM, at the Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Station meeting room.

Item #1: Roll call: Secretary Liz Stonehouse read the roll by screen. Steve Stonehouse co-chair, Harriet Taylor, co-chair, Daryl Hern, Uwe Werner, Tony Tieber, Judy Tieber, Sharmane Estolano, John Taylor, Michael Clower, Daniel Diaz.

Excused: Diane Carter, Mark Kukuchek, Michael Garrod, Shane Parmaly.

Item #2: Approval of minutes of June, 2021. Move to approve, Daryl Hern, seconded, uwe Werner. Vote: unanimous with 11 members voting.

Item #3: Opportunity of others to speak on items not on the agenda:

A resident of Procter Valley Road complained about the 20-acre site on Jonel. He wanted it put on the September agenda. Uwe spoke about it: saying that until the owner can get an easement nothing is going to happen.

**Action Items**

Item #4: Sweetwater Capital Improvements Priorities List: Stephen Stonehouse Presenting: After some discussion concerning new items to be included, Sweetwater Community Planning Group accepted the following:

1. Construction of a pathway alongside Acacia Avenue.
2. Installation of a crosswalk and warning lights where Dory Lane meets Bonita Road to allow pedestrians and trail users a way to cross Bonita Road safely.
3. Construction of a pathway along-side Frisbie Street where there is none now.
4. Installation of a left turn lane on Sweetwater Road to allow motorists to safely turn onto Margaret Street against oncoming traffic.
5. To reconfigure Procter Valley Road from San Miguel Road to San Miguel Ranch Road to include reinforcing bridge at the bottom of the hill from San Miguel Road and adding three-way stops at both Jonel Way and Bonita Meadows Lane.

Judy Tieber made the motion to accept. John Taylor seconded. Vote was unanimous with eleven members voting. Excused were: Diane Carter, Mark Kukuchek, Michael Garrod, Shane Parmaly.

Item #5: Discussion and vote to write a letter of support to Jacumba CPG in opposition of a solar project. The discussion on this lay mostly in the reasons why we should be against the usage of the land. Judy Tieber moved to write a letter in support of Jacumba CPG's argument. Sharmane seconded. Item carried with ten members voting aye. One no: Tony Tieber, no abstentions and four excused: Diane Carter, Mark Kukuchek, Michael Garrod, Shane Parmaly.

### **Non-action Items**

Item #5: San Diego Redistricting: David Bame: Chair of the redistricting Commission presenting: Mr. Bame gave us a pamphlet and an explanation of the same. The basic reason for this is that districts are drawn up according to population, and every ten years, after the census, the districts are redrawn. This time the census results are late coming in, and the redistricting rules do not allow for that, so the Commission is going out to each area and discussing the matter. The meeting for Sweetwater is August 18<sup>th</sup> at 6PM at the Library Community Room. The way to get your voice heard is many ([redistricting@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:redistricting@sdcounty.ca.gov)) (619-409-3003). Visit their website at [www.sdcounty.gov/redistricting](http://www.sdcounty.gov/redistricting). Your input is welcome until the end of October.

Item #6: Harriet with Community Updates: We will be hearing GreenStreet Clean Water Concept in October when a discussion will be had about runoff not being safe for the aquifer.

Item #8: Andrew Harvey and Rosa Olascoaga with County updates: There is a new zoning ordinance concerning battery storage. County is trying to streamline permits so to have a minor impact. This will be discussed at the next Chair's meeting. Cannabis update: Board on Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> will come in with Adult Use restrictions. The EIR will take 18 to 24 months. Animal shelter is in design review, construction should start in 18 to 24 months. Homelessness ARC gave 12 M dollar grand to start a regional task force. There is a new shanty town between 805 and Bonita Road along Quarry Road down Palm Canyon.

Item #9 Trails Report: Bike Park Grant to help with the rest rooms. But the kids need a safer way to get there.

Item#12: Announcements: Our next meeting will be at Bonita Christian Church Worship area. Ace Storage is returning once again to see us. They have made significant changes so the County wants us to hear them. There are as of now no new forms from the Quarry Road site.

Sharmane wanted to know why we were hearing the Ace Storage again if our comments were not answered.

If you want a link to the County newsletter which is online, you need to contact Andrew.

Daryl mentioned that there would be a Bonitafest Twilight Parade on September 18<sup>th</sup>. Start at the Sunnyside Arena. The melodrama will, once again this year be a radio presentation.

Item #13; Adjournment 8:50 PM

Respectfully submitted

Liz Stonehouse, Secretary

Sweetwater Community Planning Group

Next meeting Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at the Bonita Valley Community Church Worship building. Meeting will start at 7, but the venue will open at 6:30