

County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY
October 5, 2021 7:00PM

In Person meeting Three

Administrative Items

Co-Chair Steve Stonehouse brought the meeting to order at 7:00PM, at the Bonita-Sunnyside Library Community Room

Item #1: Roll call: Secretary Liz Stonehouse read the roll. Steve Stonehouse co-chair, Harriet Taylor, co-chair, Daryl Hern, Uwe Werner, Tony Tieber, Judy Tieber, Sharmaine Estolano, John Taylor, Michael Clower, Daniel Diaz, Diane Carter, Mark Kukuchek, Michael Garrod., Shane Parmaly.

Item # 5 is hereby removed from the agenda.

Item #2: Approval of minutes of September 7, 2021. Move to approve, Uwe Werner, seconded, Mark Kukuchek. Vote: 14 aye, 1 abstention: Daryl Hern.

Item #3: Opportunity of others to speak on items not on the agenda: Becky wanted us to remember that the Board of supervisors was voting tomorrow on a cannabis issue. She outlined what their plans were and urged everyone to sit in on the meeting.

Carol Green once again spoke against marijuana in the most forceful terms.

Non-action Items

Item #6: Green Streets Clean Water Program: Rene Vidales, DPW: He gave a talk on how the County wants to use filtration and plants to enhance the water quality. He talked about repaving streets so that there would be places along the roadway for water to seep into the ground and around plants, and also make pathways and sidewalks cooler or more accessible. The vegetation would also reduce noise. He also talked about separate bike lanes. The question of trails into this mix came up. It was also mentioned that Sweetwater Road met the merit for this experiment, though he did not mention how it would be used.

Action Items

Item #4: Vote to approve, deny, or approve with conditions for Ace Self Storage-PDS2016-MUP-16-010: As a member, Steve Stonehouse moved to deny Ace Self-Storage's request to build. Michael Garrod seconded the motion.

Judy Tieber said that she liked the second idea they had.

Michael Garrod said it was not within the Community Character even with changes. Michael Clowers stated that he had read the definitions of Community Character, and this wasn't listed.

Tony said that families that live in ADU's need storage facilities.

Several of the community spoke against the facility for similar reasons.

Harriet said that there were plenty of units within five miles of Bonita.

The vote was called: The result: 13 aye, 2 noe-Tony and Judy Tieber and no abstentions.

Item #7; Harriet Taylor with local announcements: Tuesday October 26th from 5:30 to 8:30 PM, at the Provence House, the County wants us to tell them about our community in answer to their Climate Action Plan. They will give an update.

Item #8: Andrew Harvey with County Updates: The meet and greet with the Supervisor was cancelled because of the rain. We are working on getting a grant for the restrooms. Discussed with Andrew the tumbleweed problem on Bonita Road.

Item #9: Trails Report: we should have someone at the next meeting to talk about parks and trails.

Item#10: Adjournment: 8:59 P.M.

Respectfully submitted
Liz Stonehouse, Secretary
Sweetwater Community Planning Group

Next meeting Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at the Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Department Training Room. Meeting will start at 7:00 P.M.