

County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY

September 5, 2023 7:00PM

Administrative Items

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

Item #1a: Roll call: Secretary Liz Stonehouse read the roll. Steve Stonehouse co-chair, Mike Clowers, Judy Tieber, Tony Tieber, Lori Noe., Penni Neely, Uwe Werner, Shane Parmely, Daniel Diaz.

Excused: John Taylor, Harriet Taylor, Mark Kukuchek, Michael Garrod.

Absent: Diane Carter

Item #1b: No changes to agenda.

Item #2: Approval of minutes from August, 2023. Steve moved to approve, Tony Seconded. Vote: 10 aye, 4 excused: John and Harriet Taylor, Michael Garrod and Mark Kukuchek. One absent, Diane Carter. Motion passed

Item #3: Opportunity of others to speak on items not on the agenda: Judy announced that Dan McAlister County tax collector, was coming to the Civic Association tomorrow. Please come to this important meeting. Mike Clowers stated that people are not being stopped on San Miguel Road unless their speed is above 40MPH. There was some discussion on that. It looks like there is enforcement on some of our roads.

Action Items

Item #4: Request for 2023-2024 PLDO priority list. After some discussion on whether to add fencing along Sweetwater Road by Bonita Golf Course, the matter was voted to table until October. Vote: 10 aye, 4 excused: John and Harriet Taylor, Mark Kukuchek, Michael Garrod. One absent: Diane Carter. Motion Passed.

Item #5: Request for reimbursement of \$26.40 for postage for letters send on behalf of Spring Valley. There was some objection to sending so many letters, but that was straightened out. Uwe moved to approve; Judy seconded. Vote: 9 aye, 1 Abstention, Liz Stonehouse, 4 excused, John and Harriet Taylor, Mark Kukuchek, Michael Garrod. One absent: Diane Carter.

Item #6: Open Space encroachment: 3214 Loma Del Sol Bonita. PDS2023-AD-23-004. Kevin Ashe presented for Jon Becker the landscape guy and Joseph Samuel owner: When Mr. Samuel bought the land, County asked that certain illegal buildings on the open space easement be removed. He is in the process of removing the items and returning the land to original condition. Steve motioned to approve this statement. Penni Seconded. Vote: 10 aye, 4 excused, John and Harriet Taylor, Mark Kukuchek, Michael Garrod. One absent: Diane Carter. Item passed.

Non-Action Items

Item #7: Presentation of updates on the County Climate Action Plan: Megan Kelly presenting. She went through a handout and explained what the County planned to do to conform to the State's requirements. There were questions concerning cars and trucks coming from Mexico that didn't conform, and a question concerning the Tijuana Sloughs.

Item #8: Harriet Taylor with community updates: Steve reported that John and Harriet were at National City to speak against National City annexing 2.4 acres of Sweetwater land to build on. Andrew looked up the process and discovered that this meeting is at the beginning. Steve also mentioned that Harriet, John and Michael Garrod had planned to meet with the County to talk about storage units as they had been reassigned. There was a general agreement that a committee should be formed.

Item #9: Andrew Harvey with County updates: He stated that a new thing called "tell us now" was being implemented. Any issues about trails can be sent to Andrew.

Item #10: Michael Clowers with Traffic Advisory Updates: He stated that there was an item on the agenda for Friday that had to do with closing Quarry Road. I stated that Mark had emailed us to insist that a horse crossing be included. Several people complained about trash dumping.

Item #11: Adjournment. 8:45PM

Respectfully submitted

Liz Stonehouse, Secretary

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Next meeting Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at the Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Department Training Room. Meeting will start at 7:00 P.M.