

County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY**

**January 2, 2024, 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, Werner John Taylor, Harriet Taylor, co-chair, Mark Kukuchek, Michael Garrod, Daniel Diaz, Uwe Werner, Shane Parmely.

Excused: Diane Carter.

Item #1b: No changes to agenda.

Item #2: Approval of minutes from December 2023. Michael Garrod moved to approve with changes, Judy Tieber seconded Vote:14 aye, 1 Excused: Diane Carter.

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

Lori commented on the cell tower companies not giving the public reports on their radio wave frequency amounts. FTC allows 10% in the city of Chula Vista.

Liz commented on the swift repairs on the corner of Frisbie Street east onto Bonita Road. The repair crews laid asphalt, moved the drain, and put up a pole with a reflector on it to keep people from cutting the corner. Well done.

Harriet wanted to know why the machinery that was digging for the new Starbucks was so loud. Mike Clowers reminded everyone to be mindful that the parking lots at the new 'Nector' restaurant where La Finca was needs downward facing lighting.

Shane Parmely came at 7:06.

**Action Items**

Item #4: Having had the nominations for the board for a month and having no opposition, Shane asked whether everyone would be agreeable to acclimation. Everyone agreed. The new board for Sweetwater Community Planning Group stands as Steve Stonehouse and Harriet Taylor as Co-Chairs, Liz Stonehouse as secretary.

**Non-Action Items**

Item#5: Harriet Taylor with Community Updates: Andrew couldn't make it because his car died. Supervisor Vargus office is planning an event in Bonita at the fire station February 6 or 8<sup>th</sup>. More notice coming.

Has anyone been by the old State Farm Building on Bonita Road? It's now called 'the Busy Bee' ( I have been told since that the name has changed to Better Buzz) and it's a coffee drive through. People have been complaining.

Liz spoke up and told the group, if the Chula Vista Police won't direct traffic, and it's holding up movement of cars in either direction, call the CHP non-emergency number. You will get a response. They are responsible for all roads and all codes. No one really wanted to do that.

Harriet continued and said that she had found a document that stated that Chula Vista, in the Valley, had to adhere to Sweetwater's design guidelines.

The LAFCO representative is on maternity leave until March 1. Her replacement is willing to come but won't be as informative.

Mark just wanted to know what their sphere of influence is.

Judy took the pause to tell everyone that Civic Association tomorrow will be elder fraud with an FBI agent. There will be a meeting Thursday to discuss the flooding on San Miguel Road.

Item #7: Daniel wanted to know what was up with the Sunnyside Arena. There is a lock on it. Apparently, one must join Sunnyside Saddle club to get the key. There will be no more 'turn outs' 'horses allowed to run free.'

Item #8: Not too much. Mike found that the reflectors on Corral Canyon were not as bright as they had been. The 'hot beacon' at Sunnyside School is up and running but it looks as though there will be a learning curve associated with it. A flyer was sent out to explain how it worked for both pedestrians and drivers.

Item #9: Announcements: Union Tribune meeting seemed to have issues with Planning groups lack of direction. That they were not interested in the community but in their own property. The UT suggested that renters get involved.

Item#11: Adjournment: 8:06 P.M.

Respectfully submitted with an assist from Lori Noe:

Liz Stonehouse, Secretary

Sweetwater Community Planning Group

Next meeting Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at the Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Department Training Room. Meeting will start at 7:00 P.M.