

County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AMENDED  
TUESDAY**

**June 2, 2015 7:00PM**

Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Department  
4900 Bonita Road Bonita CA 91902

**Administrative Items**

Item #1: Roll call: Mark Kukuchek, Liz Stonehouse, Steve Stonehouse, John Taylor, Harriet Taylor, Judy Tieber, Diane Carter, Michael Garrod, Uwe Werner and Daryl Hern, Sheri Todus, Doc Stokos, Rick and Irene Blacklock.

One member under consideration.

Michael De La Rosa, representing Supervisor Greg Cox.

Guests: Van Collinsworth and Lane Sharman.

Item #2: Approval of Minutes from May 5th. No corrections. Uwe motioned to approve, Doc seconded. twelve yea, two abstentions, Rick and Irene Blacklock.

Item #3: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Planning Group on any subject within Planning Group's Purview but not on the agenda. Presentations are limited to three minutes. No action can be taken on items not on the published agenda but can be added to future agendas for action.

Daryl Hern, as a private citizen spoke about the upcoming Bonitafest: September 19<sup>th</sup> touted as "Making the Scene in 2015". There are booths available. They are planning another Twilight Parade with Glow Sticks and a stop at the Museum and Library half way around. Also, at the Museum in August and September there will be a cowboy exhibit called, "Tip of the Hat". More docents are urgently needed for security. There will also be a fundraiser/reception.

Michelle Tanner wanted to tell Planning Group about a 20 acre parcel where grading had been done. Steve explained to her that the parcel was on the Code Enforcement radar. Two other residents were also here to alert us to keystone block being off-loaded there.

Van Collinsworth and Lane Sharman spoke about alternative energy.

Item #4: Michael De La Rosa's community update: On June 24<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM there will be the Trails Meeting at the Provence House. It will be outdoors, so be sure to bring a sweater or jacket. The meeting will

cover trails issues, the issue of the homeless in the regional parks and the legal requirements the Rangers have to follow. They will also go over projects nearing completion.

The State of Bonita address will be July 16<sup>th</sup> at Summit Campground (A correction to the place of the State of Bonita. It is now to be held at Provence House at same date and time.) at 6 PM. It will also be outdoors. The Supervisor will touch on the trails, but mainly discuss ways to deal with the crisis of road repair.

Steve asked, "If I can cut my water consumption by not watering as much, thus cutting my water bill, why does the County have to spend \$12 million to do the same?"

The answer basically was that it took more than one agency to allow the County to do the same and for some things, such as jails, there could be no cutbacks.

Uwe wanted to know the County stand on wells.

#### Action Items

Item #5: 2015 General Plan Cleanup. SW201 Zoning Proposed Change 'a' to 'c': Steve Stonehouse presenting: Everyone except Rick and Irene was given the two sheets that explain what is going on. The County wants to change the zoning of 5.3 acres encompassing two parcels from zone a to zone c. The land changed hands from South Bay Expressway to a group called San Miguel Farms LLC. After discussion: Sheri motioned that Sweetwater Community Planning Group approve the change in zoning of SW201 from a to c, allowing for one unit per acre. Uwe seconded.

Vote: 11 aye, 2 noe, Diane and Mark and 1 abstain, Daryl.

#### Non-action Items

Updates:

Item #6:

- a. Update on Traffic Advisory Committee-Judy Tieber: Our committee is really small, only four people. We're trying to get Murali to answer some questions. We have a petition

sheet that we hope to get people to circulate to get names to aid in our cause. Officer Panfil has agreed to attend the meeting, but we are not sure of the date as yet. She mentioned that it seemed odd that every crossing between State 54 and Briarwood and out San Miguel Road to Proctor Valley Road has at least a four way stop or a light.

- b. Trails Report: Diane Carter told us that the CCC is trimming brush all over the place. That Chula Vista recently learned that the trail from the Provence House to Gate A is owned by the County though Chula Vista has been maintaining it. They are now working hard on the Willow Street Bridge. At first they had no detour, but then we got a nice one. Mark remarked that the reason was because of Ken Lightbody working with his people to allow walkers and equestrians a way around the work. Diane also mentioned that instead of wasting the water the crews were using, it was being used to water plants.

Item #7: Announcements: Civic Association has moved to the Community Room next to the Library. Uwe mentioned that the vacant house on San Miguel Road had been torn down. Michael Garrod stated that it was infested and unable to stand on its own much longer. He also mentioned that there would be a meeting next Wednesday to discuss the drought. Sweetwater is in very good shape as its citizens are doing their part.

Irene told us Friends of the Library have expanded their site. Come get paperbacks 5 for \$1. Or a hardcover for \$2.00.

Did anyone know about the traffic metering on Sylvia Street?

Move to adjourn: Rick. Doc seconded. Passed unanimously

Adjournment 8:20

Next meeting: July 7, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Stonehouse, Secretary,

Sweetwater Community Planning Group