

County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY**

May 1, 2012 7:00PM

Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Station 4900 Bonita Road, Bonita, CA 91902

Administrative Items

Co-Chair Sheri Todus brought the meeting to order at 7:00

Roll: Harriet Taylor, Steve and Liz Stonehouse, Rick Blacklock, Sheri Todus, Andrew Valencia, Doc Stokos, Alan Sachrison, Karen Henry, John Taylor, Don Scovel, and Uwe Werner. Excused: Mark Kukuček Absent: Don and Georjean Jensen

Item #1: Move to approve as read, Doc Stokos. Second Uwe Werner.

Item #2: 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 and no action can be taken.

Rick Blacklock requested that the following item be placed on June's agenda: that the County respond to a request to put a DG pathway on Allen School Lane east for one block on Allen School Road. The reason for this is safety of pedestrians and drivers during school pick up and drop off times at Allen School.

Judy Tieber asked that that a stop sign be placed between San Miguel Road and San Miguel Ranch Road on Procter Valley Road as it is a very dangerous road.

Don S. spoke about the proposed Otay Water Pipeline meeting on the 22nd: There is a policy in place to use the County land along Procter Valley Road. This has to be reviewed and accepted by County Water. Then it has to be accepted by Fish and Wildlife as there are issues with the Bonita Meadows Preserve there.

Sheri speaking as a private citizen, mentioned that the property at 5902 San Miguel Road now had a nice blue tarp. The new pathway on San Miguel Road was getting weedy.

Item #3: Michael De La Rosa shares from Supervisor Greg Cox's office:

On May 4, 2012, SANDAG will announce tentative plans for SR125. The County will then review it. Anyone who wants to attend can go and express the views of the South County. Sheri asked whether citizens can give testimony. Yes, among the subjects will be dynamic pricing: pricing according to peak usage with less cost at non-peak times.

The Supervisor is working with Chula Vista to get a bridge across the run-off drain into what residents call 'The Duck Pond' below Otay Lakes Road across Bonita Road at the CV Golf Course. This will be a multi-use bridge, but no large vehicles will be permitted. There is to be a special presentation at CV city council on May 22nd concerning trails in the area., where a capital project to get the trail continued on the South Side of the loop trail where it crosses from the Library across the CV Golf Course parking lot.

Karen Henry mentioned: that there were depressions in the golf course trail that filled in the rainy season and should be filled.

Rick told her about a citizen's forum on the computer where these things could be mentioned. That CV was very pro-active in repairs brought to their attention. The forum does not take into account where you live.

Alan asked about the Tennis Courts. Apparently the contractor is waiting for the economy to improve to improve the property.

Item #4: 3970-12---6 (VAR-12-006) 3032 Degan; Maria Cortina requesting approval of previously built, non-permitted bedroom addition. Action Item.

Applicant had been in residence three years before the County notified her that the bedroom off the master was a non-permitted addition. She uses it for her special needs child.

Apparently this lot is designated a corner lot, which changes the set-back situation. After exhaustive research on this project, it appears that no one has any actual objections to the addition being in the space it occupies as there is a trail access nearby and the next neighbor is up a hill.

The County planner has no objections to the addition.

Rick made the motion to accept the variance, Uwe seconded. Vote unanimous with eleven members voting.

Item #5: New Covenant Church 3300-12-003 (P12-003). Application to build at 5790 Quarry Road. A multipurpose worship center. Action item.

As there were no presenters, Uwe motioned to postpone item. Liz seconded. Unanimous with 11 voting.

Item #6: General Plan update zoning cleanup 2012 2 locations. Maps need changes in Bonita area. Action item.

Motion to table because of lack of information to make decision, Don S. Second Rick. Vote unanimous with 11 voting.

Item #7: County Bicycle Transportation Plan SANDAG Caltrans grant money Action Item.

County needs a letter saying we are interested in connected pathways through Bonita. Motion: Rick, yes, write the letter. Liz seconded. Unanimous with 11 voting.

Item #8: San Diego County Water Authority closed trails to equestrians along Proctor Valley Road and the Sweetwater Loop Trail. Action item. Motion to table, Liz. Second Andrew. Passed with 10 voting. Karen Henry abstaining.

There was some discussion on this subject. Karen Henry had a report about the Sweetwater Authority and the proposed 'switchback' trail along the Dam to complete the loop trail there, but due to the absence of Mark Kukuchek, we did not have a report to review.

Item #9: Trails report: Motion to table as part of item 8. Liz. Second Andrew. Passed 10 voting aye. Karen Henry abstaining.

Item #10: Erosion control structure (gabion) and downstream reach of Bonita Canyon Project Chula Vista to County area behind Church of Good Shepard. Information only apparently this is in the works.

Planning Group wants a speaker to come tell us about this and an update to the Willow Street Project.

Item #11: Deleted

Item #12: State mandated ethics training(AB1234-lg.org/ab1234compliance). There are still people who have not complied with the online training. Liz said she'd send a link to those who have not yet completed it.

Item #13 : Updates, Red Tape Reduction Task Force: Staff is still coming up with training which will be sufficient to indemnify members of Planning or sponsor groups. This training should more fully teach about the Brown Act and its implications to members.

Item #14: Announcements:

"Come Fly With Me" breakfast with Supervisor Cox will be held at the Chula Vista Golf Course. You cannot wear denim to this breakfast.

There is a method to contact Chula Vista through their website for Code Enforcement issues.

A note: longtime member Muriel Watson passed Saturday, from Cancer.
Motion to adjourn: Andrew, second Uwe. Unanimous
Meeting adjourned: 8:20 PM
Next meeting June 5, 2012 Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Station
Respectfully submitted,
Liz Stonehouse, Secretary.