County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY

October 1, 2019 7:00PM

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

Administrative Items

Co-Chair Steve Stonehouse brought the meeting to order at 7:00

Item #1: Roll call: Secretary Liz Stonehouse called the roll by name. Steve Stonehouse co-chair, Daryl Hern, Tony Tieber, Judy Tieber, Daniel Diaz, Sheri Todus, Diane Carter, Mark Kukuchek.

Excused: Shane Parmely, Harriet and John Taylor, Michael Clowers, Uwe Werner, Michael Garrod.

Item #2: Approval of minutes. July correction: Ace Self Storage will be heard at Planning Commission some time after the first of January 2020. Date and time to be announced. Motion to approve with correctios, Judy Tieber: seconded Sheri. Vote unanimous of those present.

Item #3 Opportunity of members of the public to speak to Planning Group on items not on the agenda. Judy asked to put the state (condition) of Proctor Valley Rd on our next meeting agenda. With over 10,000 vehicles a day usage, the road needs:

*to be widened to accommodate bike riders, and pedestrians so they are out of traffic lanes, *to have a barrier or rumble strip down the middle in curve areas to keep drivers on their own side of road,

* to provide maintenance to address faded pavement lines, reflectors that no longer reflect, *a stop sign at either Bonita Meadows or Jonel because it is impossible to see north-bound traffic when making a left turn onto Jonel Way.

Then after Mark's idea for a stop sign at trail crossing, and before Victor's statement, minutes should reflect that Steve agreed to make this an agenda item for next month. Then it ends with Victor's statement that a person may come. Mark noted that there should be a trail stop sign at Uwe's and the kennel south of Bonita Meadows as the trail is a Bonita Highlands Official Trail. Victor said a person may come.

Action Item

Item #4: Request for 2019-2020 PLDO priority list. Chelsea Jander, Parks Department attending: Chelsea gave a short statement about the condition of our finances and what we have done with them. She also mentioned that Parks was putting together an interactive walking tour of Morrison Pond. There are some history panels at the building. Along with the plaques, should be dome more trash cans as they are budgeted.

There was a short discussion concerning signage at the new Bike park. Whether it would keep the curious out or make things worse.

Mark mentioned that since Chula Vista was building an 'off leash' dog park that we should remove that request from our list.

Mark made the following motion: PLDO list for 2019-2020

1. Final completion (enhancements) to the new community garden. E.g.:
    a. Shade structure and/or other structures for community gatherings and educational activities.
    b. Either install individual plot gates or help subsidize a standardized gate for gardeners to obtain (there is an adjustable one at Home Depot at $64.00 cost)
    c. Install a standardized number for each plot.
2. Completion of the Trail #45 of the Sweetwater Community Trails and Pathway Plan from the Degan Drive Trail Easement to the Carriage Hill
3. Trail (currently under construction). The Carriage Hill trail will start at the intersection of quarry and Sweetwater Roads.

Seconded Diane. Vote: unanimous of members attending. Note to identify and select committee for community gardens next month.

Item #5: Confirm scope and responsibilities of the ad hoc Ace Self Storage Committee: Steve Stonehouse presenting. Steve moved to table presentation because Harriet was not present. Liz seconded. Motion did not pass.
Tony then circulated a differently worded motion, which was seconded by Mark and read by Judy. This passed unanimously.

Ad Hoc Special Committee for Ace Self Storage

An ad hoc committee is established to interface with the County regarding the Ace Self Storage project. Prior to the County Planning Commission hearings on this project the committee will report its findings and intended presentation to the Sweetwater Community Planning Group for action.

The Sweetwater Community Planning Group will review the findings and recommendations including the presentation and determine if further action is required. If action is required the Sweetwater Community Panning Group will appoint a person to make the presentation that reports the findings to the County Planning Commission. If the project proceeds to the Board of Supervisors the designated person and presentation will also be made at that meeting.

Item #6: Confirm scope and responsibilities of the standing Trails Committee. Steve Stonehouse presenting: The motion was made by Mark to accept the handout as written. Seconded by Diane. Passed unanimously

Standing Committee for Trails

The Committee is established to work with the San Diego County Department of Parks and Recreation and other governmental agencies in regards to trails within the Sweetwater Community Planning Group Area.

This Committee will report to the Sweetwater Community Planning Group at its monthly meeting either verbally or in writing.

The Trails Committee is appointed by the chair of the Board and will serve from January to December of the same year as the other officers.

Any major decisions of the Trails Committee are to be brought back to the Board for approval and vote by the Group as a whole.

Non-Action Items

Item #7: Victor Avina with Community update: BHHA property in Corral Canyon is being investigated by Code Compliance. Since this has started the vehicles are being pulled from the spot on corral Canyon and moved. There is a start on getting the Commercial side of Central Ave changed so that large vehicles cannot park on the street.

Item #8: Trails Report: Diane Carter- Parks and Rec decided to put an opening for the lady who came to complain that there was no way to access the trail around Morrison Pond without going to the stop light at Briarwood.
Ropes are being put along Sweetwater Road from Willow Road on the South side of the street. They are also putting up guard rails and a DG pathway in Chula Vista. They want to put a berm and 8 or 9 drains that go under the pathway to the culvert to keep the pathway from eroding.

The new trail out of Summit Park Pathway is having issues. Keep using it please, Park Ops needs more signage for a different route. The Fairy Shrimp Trail is in danger of being closed by Fish and Wildlife. Homeless people are going through the fence. The alternative trail is safer.

Item #9 Announcements: none

Adjourned: 8:50 PM

Respectfully submitted
Liz Stonehouse, Secretary
Sweetwater Community Planning Group

Next meeting 7PM November 5, 2019
Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Department
Community Room