REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

October 6, 2026, Tuesday at 7pm

Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Station

4900 Bonita Rd., Bonita CA

1. Roll Call: Members present included Liz Stonehouse, Mark Kukuchek, Patty O'Mara, Harriet Taylor, Stephen Stonehouse, Michael Clowers, Daniel Diaz, Felix Felix, Judy Tieber, Tony Tieber, and John Taylor.
2. Excused absences: Penni Neely, Uwe Werner and Lori Noe.
3. Pledge of Allegiance recited.
4. Meeting minutes for September 1, 2026, approved. With the following changes, on Item 10: the time should read 6:30 PM, and Harriet called: Mark made the motion to accept with corrections. Liz Stonehouse seconded. Vote: Aye M. Clowers, L. Stonehouse, M. Kukuchek, H. Taylor, S. Stonehouse, D. Diaz, F. Felix, J. Tieber. Abstentions: P. O'Mara, not there, T. Tieber, Excused absence.
5. Public Comment. Mary Davis from the Alpine Community Planning Group came to see how we do what we do. Susan Heavilin had a complaint about the Animal Shelter saying that they would not be picking up stray large animals. She also wanted to talk about the fire on San Miguel Road Friday. She suggested that we try to get a dialogue going with Code Enforcement.
6. Several other residents spoke up and out about the situation there. Harriet stated that she was on the Planning Group for San Miguel and frequently spoke with code enforcement.
   Mike Clowers stated that in December, the people who run the Community Gardens were coming to speak to us.
   Patty spoke up and said we should get this on next month's agenda.
   Marianne Delatorre spoke: The issue of parking on Sweetwater Road is getting help. They put up signs that prohibit parking for sale. The Sheriff and CHP have been alerted. The text address for CHP is 645-COPS@chp.ca.gov. There will be a meeting next Tuesday, October 13, at Valley Vista Elementary School, where first responders will outlie what people should do this year if we have an El Nino event. She also invited everyone to an event on the 24th at the County Admin Building on Pacific Highway. The Board of Supervisors passed an e-bike injury database system. The film initiative passes as well. After discussion about Bonitafest, Mark asked that County try to help out with lighting the driveway where the Melodramas are presented.
   ACTION ITEMS:
7. Order of the Agenda approved by all present members, after first by L. Stonehouse and 2nd by J. Tieber.
   NON-ACTION ITEMS
   BESS Long Range Planning-presented by Land Use/Environmental Planner Manager, LUEP I Tim Vertino, and LUEPII, Chen Levy: They gave a presentation about what long term battery storage looked like and what it would do. The questions generated had basically to do with danger to the community, how the zoning would have to change, and what 100 feet actually looked like. Mike Clowers asked many questions about safety of the project for residents if it were to burn.
8. Trail Update by M. Kukuchek. The Bonita Valley Horsemen had a picnic for the trail's crew at Summit Park. There were thirty people there. We brought them lunch and thanked them for their fine work. If you know of any other trail stuff, contact Danny or Janine and we can get it to them.

9. Traffic Advisory Update. Just one quick issue. Anyone live on Bonita Mesa? They're going to install a three-way stop sign there. To a question abut the pile of dirt at the underpass of 805 and 54, it's a recycle zone.
10. Community Update by H. Taylor. Auto Zone should be moving forward in the first part of March. To a question abut Nector and the trailer, Liz answered that she was in contact with the CHP abut it. If he moves it, which he does, it's not illegal.
11. San Miguel Community Watershed Ad hoc Update by J. Tieber. I did enquire as to funding from the county through state grants to help with watershed issues. No.
12. Adjournment at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Liz Stonehouse, acting Secretary for Lori Noe

Next meeting November 3, 2026