

County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AMENDED  
TUESDAY**

**August 2, 2016 7:00PM**

Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Department  
4900 Bonita Road Bonita CA 91902

**Administrative Items**

Item #1: Roll call: Liz Stonehouse, Steve Stonehouse, Uwe Werner Judy Tieber, Doc Stokos, Irene Blacklock, Tony Tieber, Sheri Todus, Mark Kukuchek, Michael Garrod, Rick Blacklock.

Excused: Harriet Taylor, John Taylor, Diane Carter, Daryl Hern

Item #2: Approval of Minutes from June 7, 2016. One change, misspelling of Brian Albright's name. Mark moved to approve with correction. Doc seconded. Vote: 10 aye, one abstention, Rick 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.

Uwe welcomed his wife Gerry who is visiting us.

**Action Items**

Item #4: Approval of Post Office Box Expense: Steve Stonehouse \$228.00. Sheri motioned to approve, Rick seconded. Motion:9 aye, 2 abstained; Steve and Liz Stonehouse.

**Non-Action Items**

Item #5: Presentation from SANDAG concerning upcoming ballot measure. Elisa Arias, Principle Regional Planner, presenting: Ms. Arias explained at great detail why approving a ½ cent sales tax would benefit the residents of Sweetwater. Our basic concerns were: would the money be used to repair pot holes; would it help maintain open space; or link us onto a rapid route? The answers were mostly non answers based on the issue she was promoting. One thing she said that the measure was supposed to fund was the ongoing bike route around San Diego. Several members objected to the idea of

another tax measure. Doc mentioned that tax increases are inevitable to support our life style.

Item #6: delayed as Michael was late

Item #7: Report on PLDO Steering Committee, Mark told us that he was the primary member and Diane was the alternate. The members who came were primarily from the back country and developers.

There would be a second meeting later this month. What their biggest issue right now is storm water abatement. Mark gave us a handout which clarified what the PLDO situation actually was. He also said that the Board Of Supervisors agreed to option A of the three options up for consideration: A Comprehensive PLDO update. From here we discovered that money we already had on hand could not go for future planning, but had to stay with the old one.

Patrick has the PLDO list for 2016. Of the items we asked for these are acceptable, but not necessarily fundable: the bike challenge course at the Pinery; exercise stations around Morrison Pond.

Item #6: Out of order. Michael De La Rosa's community update: State of Bonita tomorrow night at 6:30 at the Community Room. PLDO staff is interested in the \$300,000.00 given with 18 to 24 months to use it. Supervisor is really interested in the bike challenge course. The Homeless forum went well, with over 100 people attending. The gist of the situation is that the homeless with no real issues are going to be put in housing around the county and helped from there. There are 8700 homeless throughout the County.

This is a change in the Model of how to do this from any other models. Mike Seiler of the Civic Association has posted information on their website which includes links to County Services.

Item #8: Trails Report: Mark; We are attempting to get the Glen Abbey trail going. The trail around the cemetery was closed 20 years ago. Now to ride it the horses have to go a long way down a road. We want that addressed so we can get to the Chula Vista trails.

Item #9: Announcements: Remember about the State of Bonita.

Motion to adjourn :Steve: seconded Uwe.

Adjournment 8:15P.M.

Next meeting: September 6, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Stonehouse, Secretary,

Sweetwater Community Planning Group