

Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council
Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, April 8, 2015
North Valley Neighborhood City Hall
7747 Foothill Blvd., Tujunga, CA 91042

Meeting called to order at 6:51 p.m. by Mark Seigel, president.

Board members present: Mark Seigel, Brenda Fortune, Nina Royal, Cindy Cleghorn, Sergio Soto, Dana Stangel, Marlene Hitt, Jim Moore, Jorge, Martinez, Julie Cuddihy, Gail Carlson, Susan Mona, Maureen O'Byrne, Jon vonGunten, Pat Kramer, David Barron. Absent: Krystee Clark and Charlie Bradley (at Civic U), John Laue (vacation). Attendance: 40 audience, 15 board, total 55.

LAPD Officer Potter (Tujunga) said that homes and cars left unlocked are being vandalized. Best to contact her via e-mail: 35464@lapd.lacity.org. Asatur is (Asatur.Hovhannisyan@lacity.org) Tujunga Field Deputy for CD7 and announced that Wesly Hernandez left a week ago for a new position outside the City and Asatur will be the point of contact. Questions regarding Mountain Lion sitings, building at Foothill and Newhome that needs to be demolished is unsafe, problems with clothing bins being used as waste baskets. LAFD Captain Stewart reminder regarding brush clearance requirements.

David Barron and Nina Royal arrived at 7:10 p.m

Mark Seigel presented brief updates on the new trees on Foothill Blvd., California High Speed Rail, Code of Conduct deadline, Oro Vista Park, Chili Cook Off and Johnny Carpenter Film Festival on 5/9. Region 2 Representative Arno Akobyan submitted his resignation from the board due to school and work making the Region 2 rep position vacant. STNC Microphone / Sound System – volunteer is needed for set up and take down at STNC and LUC meetings.

Consent Items: The following items on the meeting agenda were approved by unanimous consent:

- a. Discussion/Possible Action: Approve MER (Monthly Expenditure Report)
- b. Discussion/Possible Action: To approve up to \$125 for 4th of July Pre-Beautification Day Decorations and handouts during parade. (Budget Category 2044)
- c. Discussion/Possible Action: To approve up to \$500 for new banners to announce STNC committee meetings.
- d. Discussion/Possible Action: To approve up to \$250 for Safety Cones
- e. Discussion/Possible Action: To support Council File **15-0389** regarding support for sufficient time to address the City Council on behalf of the STNC. (Note: this is a new CF. STNC previously voted to support)
- f. Discussion/Possible Action: To support Council File **15-0373** regarding DONE staff positions. (Note: this is a new CF. STNC previously voted to support)

Discussion/Possible Action: Approval of Minutes – no minutes presented at this meeting.

Discussion/Possible Action: to fill vacant Group Representative and Region 2 Representative positions. Motion (Carlson/Stangal) to appoint Janet Paz, Youth Group Representative passed unanimous.

Discussion/Possible Action: Amendments to STNC Bylaws – postponed to future meeting.

CHAAP: Community + Homeless Animal Assistance Partnership & Puppies for Adoption – Kristi Schneider presented their program and animals needing homes.

Animal Issues Committee – Pat Kramer gave an update regarding meeting on 3/27 with DWP representatives Winifred Yancey, regarding the STNC cat rescue letter approved at prior meeting and that they will look forward to working with the SMART team.

Land Use Committee Report and Recommendation to approve CIS 14-0748, letters to Dept. of City Planning regarding Day St. & Pali proposed 13 homes and support for 6239-47 Foothill relocation of City Market (next to Big 5) and other updates passed unanimous.

Discussion/Action: to approve letter from the Arts Culture & Recreation Committee regarding CF 13-0336 tabled to future meeting.

All Motions requiring Vote Count sheets are on file.

Pat Kramer left at 9 p.m.

GROUP & REGION REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS from board members with reports

Julie Cuddihy left at 9:18 p.m.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS included Relay for Life requesting \$500 STNC sponsorship, Little Landers meeting on May 9, Summerfest Nature Center has raised \$9,000 and looking to raise \$30,000.

David Barron and Nina Royal left at 9:26 p.m.

Discussion/Possible Action: Neighborhood Council Admin and 2016 Elections Procedures Stipulation Worksheet – postponed to May meeting.

Discussion/Possible Action: Motion (vonGunten/Hitt) to approve support letter for Creative Economic Development Fund Grant passed 6-5-2.

Group & Region Representative Reports: Sergio Soto reported that Freemasons are donating 342 books. There will be a talk on Common Core on 4/30.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – *Please fill out speaker card*

Announcements: Community Clean Up 5/2 9am-12noon; Land Use Committee Retreat 4/20; Clean Up Beautification Committee; Animal Issues Committee 3/24; Outreach Committee – 5/6/15; STNC meeting 5/13/15

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.