

7-27-15 6-8PM

STNC Clean Up and Beautification Committee

A committee of the
Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council

Minutes

Agenda posted in accordance with the Brown Act and posted on the STNC.org website.

Minutes

1. Call to order 6:20PM by Chair Gail Carlson
2. Updates/Changes- Remove Susan and Richard Stewart from committee member list due to conflict in schedules and inability to meet commitments. Change of Committee name from Clean Up and Beautification to just Beautification Committee. All voted yes. Agree to send to STNC for motion to change name.
3. Add Gerardo Barrientos to Committee as a new committee member.
4. Public Comment: Gerardo discussed possible mural and artwork projects near 7/11 and new Back Door Bakery wall. Gerry Discussed the value of a NC or Gateway to the Angeles Forest on an Adopt a Highway or Caltrans. Nelly had success with discussion clean up and beautification by the Sunland and Tujunga Post Offices, by their Postmasters. We agreed as a committee to support a certificate of recognition for the end results for these post offices and other business we meet with who make a major effort to clean up their property. Cindy Cleghorn came and provided a list of LA Municipal codes for Keeping Los Angeles Beautiful, provided brochure samples from the LA office of Beautification, etc. PACE Proactive Code Informant tour neighborhood and businesses that are not maintaining their business store fronts.
5. Project Updates:
 - Gail provided update of the Dept. of Transportation (DOT) box art beautification project. The project has progressed to the Councilman's Office obtaining the proper forms and paperwork on the scope of the project, art, specifics of art location, and the Rotary Club's papers to be the conduit of dispensing the funds agreed to by Fuentes.
 - Sheila had not had an update on the Old Oak Tree beautification effort (Tujunga Cyn Blvd. and Ollcut, Tujunga), yet by next meeting will. Working on cleaning up under the tree, have reflector lights reported needing replacement, and history of the tree.--Steve updated on possible Clean Out E Waste Program. We will reach out to an outside company for a December free event at Sunland Park. --Susan Mona brought in a phone script to use when talking to business about cleaning up their property. --Nelly brought in a letter for us to review to be used asking for support for our efforts and help from Felipe Fuentes, and another letter to the businesses/retailers who are failing to maintain their storefront, property and sidewalk area. We will revise and modify these letters for next meeting.Committee collectively decided to 9/19 8:30-11:30AM

--Community Clean Up on Commerce Ave. and area with an emphasis on the flower beds which need weeding and new plants. Gail will email the newspapers by 8/15, Maureen will make a flyer for this event to be promoted. Gerry is to reach out to LAPD Cadets for volunteers. Nelly is to set up a Facebook event.—Steve requested we obtain more weed abatement to prepare high weed areas before next clean up. —Steve also offered suggestions for the soon to be purchased Weed Whacker.

Next Meeting set for 8/31/15 at 6PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM