



Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council

**Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council
Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 20, 2022
Online Meeting Via Zoom 5:30 p.m.**

Roll Call at:5:30 pm	
*Carol Hutchinson	Present
Roger Klemm	Absent
Nelly Luboff	Present
Gerardo Barrientos	Present
Marjorie Maxon	Present
Angela Nordhagen	Present
Curtis Brown	Present (at 6:07)
Matt Walker	Present
	*STNC Board Member
Committee Quorum: 5	6 Present for entire meeting, quorum met.

Additional Attendees: Pat Kramer, Safe Transportation and Traffic Chair (for last part of meeting)

1. Call to Order and Welcome – Co-Chair Luboff calls meeting to order. Roll call-- meeting quorum met.
2. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda items –

Co-Chair Luboff – 1) One of our long standing members, Steve Black passed away. He was very committed to our town, but had problems with Zoom and online meetings so has not been attending recently.. He had been ill for some time and passed away in February. Rest in peace former member Black. 2) Safe Transportation and Traffic Chair Pat Kramer has requested our help in cutting suckers from street trees in the Sunland area. If anyone is interested, please let Co-Chair Luboff know.

Member Maxon – her back is feeling better so she is able to volunteer at the Welcome Garden if anyone is on vacation.

3. Approve June 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes – no proposed changes. Member Barrientos moves to approve; Member Hutchinson seconds. No objections, abstentions or corrections. Minutes approved.
4. Beautification Liaison with Counsel Office Staff – Co-chair Luboff: our new member, Curtis Brown has agreed to accept this assignment, keeping the committee informed about potential grants or other City programs that might be of interest to the committee. There is a new Tujunga Representative at North Valley City Hall, Mary MacAdam, and she expressed a willingness to work with our committee on possible beautification projects in the area.
5. DOT Box Maintenance – Member Maxon notes that now that the graffiti coating has worn off the DOT Box at Foothill and Fenwick, it is looking really bad, particularly on the street side. Someone tagged it and when Member Maxon attempted to clean it, the image on the wrap was taken off with



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the graffiti, and one section of the wrap came off. Maybe this side should just go back to plain primer until something can be done. Member Barrientos notes that this is his DOT box and he would like to re-paint it with a little girl with a horse, he wonders if they can just replace the DOT box. Chairperson Luboff notes the boxes are only changed if the signal is being re-configured. Board Member Hutchinson notes the DOT box at Foothill and Mt. Gleason has been badly scratched.

6. Update on Pinewood Mural Project – Member Barrientos – he was back at the mural today. He plans to finish the mural to the miner's vignette, the last one before the water damage to the wall's surface. If the school wants him to finish the mural they will have to pay for the insurance to finish it. He would very much like to finish the mural because the last vignette, the stone house, was his inspiration for the whole project. Co-chair Luboff would like to do something with the damaged portion of the wall, as it is now it is a blank slate for graffiti. Maybe something simple. She emailed the Pinewood Principal, but has not heard back. Member Barrientos does not need the committee to come to the mural this Saturday; he needs people who have the skills to help him with fine details. He is also concerned about spreading Covid, he is now better but wants to err on the side of caution since it has been so unpleasant. They can graffiti coat the mural and the newly painted DOT box once the portion of the mural that can be completed by the grand opening is finished. Member Hutchinson wonders if the names of the people who volunteered to help with the mural could fill some of the now vacant space.
7. Pinewood Back to School / Mural Grand Opening Event on August 30, 5:30 to 7pm – Member Hutchinson – this will be a joint event with the Beautification and Outreach Committees. The Outreach Committee is going to have their meeting tomorrow. The Outreach Committee will coordinate with the school and set up a booth with cookies and water. The Beautification Committee can come and explain the mural. Member Barrientos would like the people on the block to be part of the event since they have been so supportive of the mural. Member Hutchinson agrees to check with the Pinewood Principal to see if this can be allowed at a primarily parent/teacher event. Co-Chair Luboff thanks member Hutchinson for all her help in planning this event.
8. Update on Welcome Garden – Members Luboff and Walker have been watering the welcome garden once a week, they have also been trimming and cleaning up trash. The plants are looking a little better.
9. National Night Out, August 2, to 6 to 9pm. Member Hutchinson thinks it would be great if the Beautification Committee had a booth at this event. She wonders if the Beautification Committee has any flyers to explain what they do. Co-chair Luboff thinks Member Klemm might have flyers about the welcome garden, but otherwise no. She thinks she has an old banner used for the 4th of July parade, but is otherwise not aware of any Beautification Committee banners.
10. Misc. Comments – Safe Transportation and Traffic Chair, Pat Kramer —she wanted to join the meeting to personally thank the Beautification Committee for all their help with the tree watering event. She does not know what she would have done without Co-Chair Luboff's help using her truck to transport the mulch, Member Barrientos' help in setting up the canopy and filling water buckets and Member Walker's help with all the heavy work involved. She thanks all the Beautification Committee members who came to the event.
11. Next Meeting August 17th at 5:30 pm. Meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm.