

Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council
Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday January 18, 2024
Meeting via Zoom

Roll Call: 6:05	
KT Travers*	Present
Roger Klemm	Present
Nelly Luboff	Present
Gerardo Barrientos	Present
Angela Nordhagen	Present
Curtis Brown	Absent
Matt Walker	Present
	*STNC Board Member
Committee Quorum: 4	6 Present for entire meeting, quorum met.

Additional Attendees: Board Members Cindy Cleghorn and Ross Herman, Stakeholders Denise Buchanan and Marjorie Maxon

1. Call to Order and Welcome – Co-Chair Klemm calls meeting to order at 6:05pm. Roll call-- meeting quorum met.
2. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda items— KT Travers—1) the training planned for tonight has not been approved yet. 2) the irrigation plan on the Welcome Garden East Project has been approved and will hopefully be installed in February. The volunteers doing this project usually have their workdays on the 3rd Saturday of the month, 9am to noon in the winter, 8am to 11am in the summer.
 Board Member Cleghorn— 1)the board has been getting inquiries about the condition of the billboards on Foothill. If anyone is interested in a project, it would be good to have a list of companies and which billboards they own so they can be contacted. 2) Others have commented that the homeless situation is getting worse, which also deters community improvement.
 Board Member Herman— STNC President Grant has given him the Beautification Committee T-shirts to distribute.
 Member Barrientos wonders when does the STNC newsletter come out. Board Member Cleghorn notes this is usually a couple of days before the scheduled board meeting which will probably be a special meeting since the usual day falls on Valentine’s Day this year.
3. Update of Beautification Committee Information on STNC Website — The member roster has been updated. The date and time of the meeting needs to be updated after Co-Chair Luboff confirms the availability of the library conference room. She is not sure about this since the former Chief Librarian retired.
4. Motion: Approve November 16, 2023 Meeting Minutes — Co-Chair Luboff moves to approve, Member Barrientos seconds, all vote in favor. No objections, abstentions.

Minutes approved.

5. Update on Pinewood Mural — Member Barrientos has been in contact with Mr. Gallegos, the LAUSD engineer working to improve drainage at the site. The planters/seats around the trees in the playground above the mural are complete and he has seen the kids enjoying them. They have also put in additional drainage pipes, he is waiting for a heavy rain to see if this fixes the drainage problem. The re-plastering still needs to be done. Co-Chair Klemm thanks member Barrientos for diligently following up with LAUSD on this issue.
6. Sunland Nature Welcome Garden — Co-Chair Klemm thanks committee members Luboff, Walker and Nordhagen for their continuing efforts to maintain the garden. Member Walker has been trimming the Buckwheat. Co-Chair Klemm plans to do some weeding of the wildflower bed. Co-Chair Luboff thinks the Welcome Garden is looking good.
7. NC Rules and Procedures Training — continued until presentation is ready.
8. Discussion of Volunteer Minute Taker— Board Member Travers volunteers to prepare the meeting Agendas. Since no one else volunteers, Stakeholder Maxon agrees to continue preparing the minutes.
9. Discussion of clean up of Big Tujunga Canyon assisting Monica Rodriguez office— Co-Chair Luboff — This clean up is scheduled for Saturday January 27, 2024, 9am to 11am. The tentative meeting spot is the Tujunga Little League Field parking lot. She would like Beautification Committee members to come early, 8:30 or so.

Next meeting: February at 15, at 6:00pm, at the Sunland Tujunga Library if available or via zoom if not.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:48

Minutes by
Marjorie Maxon