

SWEETWATER VALLEY CIVIC ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
June 4, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Michael Cohen at 7:00PM at the Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Department.. Members present were; Mike, Ray Ymzon, Ken Pitney, Liz and Steve Stonehouse, Carol Freno, Susan Knopp, Virginia Stewart.
Ken noted that he was not receiving minutes and that he wanted them..

MINUTES: Minutes for May. Motion Steve, seconded by Ken. Unanimous, with one correction:

The number to call about suspicious activities is 858-565-5200. It is an **non-emergency** number and is answered by an operator.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Steve read the following report. The checking account balance is \$800.42. A check was written for Corporate Certification The CD balance is \$3353.81 , which brings it to \$4154.23.

A motion was made to declare The Sweetwater Valley Civic Association a not for Profit organization. Motion made by Tom and seconded by Susan.
Unanimous

GUEST REPORTS:

Sgt Cobb of the California Highway Patrol gave this report:

There were two fatalities in the unimproved cities, one on Sweetwater Road and Plaza Bonita Way where a woman in a car passed traffic and ran from road. She was believed to have some sort of medical condition.

The other was Monday the 19th where a pedestrian was struck, but that was in Lincoln Acres, not in Bonita.

There were issues at San Miguel Lane, Willow Street, and Sprinter Lane.

Officer Julio Garcia of the Sheriff's Department had this report:

Now that we are having more sunny days, we are also having more burglaries.

- Now is the time to start protecting ourselves from crime in the coming season.
- *Do not leave packages in plain site in vehicles, or leave windows even cracked in lots.*

- *Park vehicle in well lit area at night. Be sure no one is following you. If you feel that you are in danger, go to security at the mall or store where you are and request a guard. You may have to wait, but one will be provided.*
- *Whenever you return to drop packages, move your vehicle so on one watching can think you're returning to the store.*
- *Be aware where-ever you use a credit card that only four digits of the card show on the copy that the store keeps. This is a law.*
- *And lastly, family members have been taking social security numbers and using the internet to gain access to credit cards and other things. Be careful where you leave confidential material, even in your own home.*
- *Do not leave doors unlocked and windows open when you leave home.*

Resident Burglaries are on the rise.

Seven-11 is once again being hit by teenagers out to steal beer.

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

Michael De La Rosa from Supervisor Cox's office gave this report:

Lt Brunell was called at 8:30 AM about an animal issue, a dog was loose on a street. The SPCA subsequently picked up the dog.

July 8th is the ribbon cutting of the new trail on the east side of the reservoir which was developed along with help from Supervisor Jacobs. This will be at 2PM.

July 26th is the dedication of the Mary Augustine Trail to bridge 200.

The matting has been glued down and the trail up has been dg'd.

The Community Projects Board letter meeting is June 17th. June 18th is there sill be a board letter in order to formalize the boundary of the Regional Park from the Western Staging area to the riding and hiking trail.

Supervisor Cox was reelected.

There have been a lot of calls about people crossing the barrier at Frisbie Street. There is to be a final meeting about the reopening in August.

San Miguel Rd seems to be a dangerous road, because of the speed of traffic, the road is not functioning properly. But there is no ability to get a downgrade until 2010.

The County wants to meet with residents to talk about further lighting of the 25 mph signs, and to find a way to separate the pathway and the power lines which are on the right of way.

It looks as though the State of Bonita address will be postponed until September, as the Room is booked until then.

Tom requested that we invite Captain Lisa Miller of IB to the State of Bonita Address.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Tom stated that the Fire Department had just finished sprucing the buildings and grounds. The old Fire Station has some new tenants, the AMR paramedics have a rig there.

FLOODING AND WATER: no report

- **TRAFFIC AND ROADS:** no report
- **PARKS:** No report
- **PLANNING GROUP:** Already covered
- **MEMBERSHIP:** No new members
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- **PROJECT REPORTS:** Pat Dohn has stated that there will be No Bonitafest Parade this year as CV cannot donate the manpower and the bill for them is significant.
- **SENIOR PATROL:** They seem to be growing and are very busy.
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ENVIRONMENTAL: None

Mike put forth the motion to move the July meeting from July 3rd to July 9th so to hopefully have more members show up. Tom made the motion, Liz seconded and was passed unanimously.

WEBSITE DISCUSSION: There will be a meeting in July concerning groups who are interested in posting on the sweetwatervalleyca.org website.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS : We have the new slate of officers, which is pretty much what the old one was. If there are any new people who would like to contribute, please notify anyone involved with this organization.

NEW BUSINESS:

ROUNDTABLE:

Meeting adjourned 8:30 PM

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE ON JULY 9TH, IF THE FIRE STATION IS AVAILABLE. After that, See you in September.

**Elizabeth Stonehouse
Secretary**