

**SWEETWATER VALLEY CIVIC ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
December 5, 2012**

**CALL TO ORDER:** This meeting was called to order by the Vice-President Mike Seiler at 7PM. Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for armed service personnel, law enforcement and first responders. Members present, Mike S., Don S., Carol F., Ray Y., Sharon, Judi T. Tom P., Jim W., Liz and Steve S.

**MINUTES:** Minutes from November Move to accept Don S. Second Steve S. So approved..

**TREASURES REPORT:** Currently \$1728.81 including checks for:

Check for insurance \$193.63.

Deposits from membership of \$120.00

Certificate of Deposit Balance \$3440.68

Ending Balance \$5169.49

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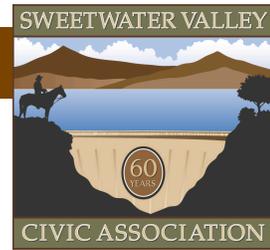
**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO SPEAK**

No one spoke.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORTS**

Officer Scott Panfil, of the CHP gave this report: After having been off for a week, the stats are as follows: Citations are down from last month to 63. 29 of them are unsafe speed, 2 DUI, 8 stop sign, 5 registration and 9 other including rules of the road.

Question and Answer:



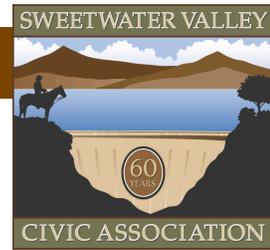
Jim asked about lack of front license plates. He also asked why there was no statistic on cell phone stops. Apparently, cell phone usage is not considered at this time to be a moving violation so it is not covered by the matrix.

Julio Garcia from the Sheriff's Department gave the following:

- 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.*

Also, there are new scams out there both over the internet and people who will come to your door and discuss them with you. They ask you to donate money, the theory being if you give money you will earn money. If it looks too good to be true it is.

ID theft and fraud is number one in the whole US. Be very careful. Between September and December there were 24 brake ins. There were 13 in November in one week and 6 in one day. Nine of these had a door or window open that allowed the thieves to enter. The area was all over Corral Canyon.



The suspects had driven a white Cadillac two females and one male possibly bald now. The investigation is expanding rapidly. They have also besides jewelry, TV's and computers have taken firearms. They seem to hit between 9am and 5pm. Also there are a lot of vehicle thefts. Toyota and Honda from 99-204 with 207 and 209 linked. For some reason 200 are not included. These are number of year of vehicle.

Jim mentioned a situation where the Sheriff's were called to Bell Bonnie Brae for a suspicious truck.

## **SUPERVISOR COX'S OFFICE REPORT**

Michael De La Rosa gave this report:

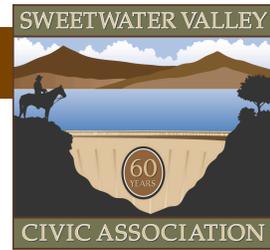
In interest of Code Enforcement, they are unable to speak to ongoing investigations, so if they seem slow to respond, it might be that they are investigating. What they will investigate are health and safety issues.

Mike S asked whether we would like to have Code Enforcement speak at the next meeting. We agreed.

Civic Association has come out in favor if changing the tiered system for horse care in the Sweetwater Area, because it will drastically change our community character and hurt the stable owners now in business and not encourage new growth in this industry.

The situation with the Sweetwater Authority and the trail road remains the same.

Margie Pritchett, a citizen, wanted to complain about a parking problem on her street, Randy Ct. It appears that several cars from



one or two houses are taking up all the available parking. She also believes that some are living illegally in the area.

## **STANDING REPORTS**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** We are working on a permanent light for outside to guide you all into the lot. Toys for Tots will be sent to Miramar reserve station. We are getting a new Captain for Fire Marshall.

**FLOODING AND WATER:** No Report.

**TRAFFIC AND ROADS:** Sharon asked about the Graffiti at Central Ave just past the Bridge near the turn onto Corral Canyon Road.

**PARKS:** no report.

**PLANNING GROUP :** We are losing three or four members.

**MEMBERSHIP:** one new member

**PROJECT REPORTS :** none

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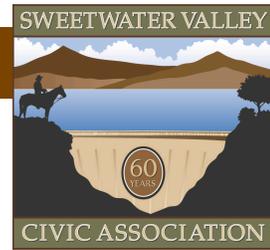
**SENIOR PATROL:** Jim turned this report for December and the end of the year in by email. Thank you Jim

### December 2012 Year

Hours	264	4,026
Activity Count	22	305
Miles	1,058	14,969
Vacation Checks	62	1,017

Yana Calls	18	225
Citizen Assists	6	84

Hours at counter of Safety Center: 54



Number of counter persons: 9

We will keep an eye on Randy Ct. Twenty of our force has been certified for CPR for two years. We set the speed limit trailer on San Miguel and it works fine. We are still looking for volunteers for Senior Patrol.

**ENVIRONMENTAL :** no report

### **CONTINUING BUSINESS:**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussion of the flyer that was handed out last month about what Point Loma Association does. Some of the suggestions brought forth were to Plant a rose garden, or beautify utility boxes like they did in Imperial Beach. The suggestions as to how to accomplish this ranged from using Boy or Girl Scouts to contacting schools to see whether their art departments would be interested. To accomplish this perhaps we would need a fund raiser.

**ROUND TABLE:** Don S. mentioned that George Kost turns 96 next week. Sharon was impressed by the Julio Garcia.

Ray again discussed the desalination of water as the best hope for clean water in San Diego.

Meeting adjourned 9:00 PM.

**The next meeting is scheduled for January 2, 2012.**

**Elizabeth Stonehouse**  
**Secretary**