

SWEETWATER VALLEY CIVIC ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
Sept 5, 2018

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Michael Seiler at the Bonita Library Community Room. President Seiler welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited us to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country followed by a moment of silence to honor the men and women of our Armed Forces, Law Enforcement, Fire and Safety Professionals.

Directors Present: Michael Seiler, Steve Stonehouse, Mike Clowers, Sharon Clayton, Jim Woodford

Members Present: Prudence Prince, Donna Hodge, Mark Kukuchek, Jim Groth, Lisa Martin Goodsell, Glenn Kopp, Sam Snyder.

Guests Present: SweetWater Authority Reps Ron Mosher and Luis Valdez, Chula Vista Councilman John McCann Representative Samantha Trickey, and many neighbors from Bonita/Sunnyside.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Sharon Clayton moved, Steve Stonehouse 2nd to approve Aug 1, 2018 meeting minutes, no discussion, unanimous approval.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Steve Stonehouse presented the Aug 2018 Financial Report. Checking \$1,847.30 Certificate of Deposit \$3,453.45 Ending Balance \$5300.75. Report accepted as presented.

**Law Enforcement Reports:** No reports.

**Elected Representative Reports:**

Chula Vista Councilmember John McCann Representative, **Samantha Trickey** offered four updates: 1. Councilman McCann is getting data from SANDAG & working on restructuring 125 Toll to increase usage & decrease cars taking short cuts thru Bonita. 2. Police are monitoring Caribbean Pleasures Restaurant on Bonita Rd. Lisa Goodsell offered that the restaurant had a posting Notice Violation/Operating without License. The business appears to be closed now. 3. Invited everyone to attend the State of District #1 on Monday, 9/10/18. Lisa asked Samantha for a meeting update at the Oct 4 SVCA meeting. 4. Samantha on behalf of McCann's office, has asked CV Police Officer Jeff Pace to become our CVPD Representative. Jeff Pace is also in a leadership role for the newly organized HOT (Homeless Outreach Team). Lisa Goodsell will also reach out to this officer. Samantha can be reached by email at: [stickey@chulavistaca.gov](mailto:stickey@chulavistaca.gov).

**New Business:**

Ron Mosher and Luis Valdez with Sweetwater Authority attended the meeting to give a construction update on the water pipeline replacement project. There will be an Open House event on Oct 4, 2018 at the Bonita Library Community Room. Meeting time is 5pm – 7pm. The sections of mainline being replaced were originally installed during the period of 1920-1940 without the ability to shut off short sections versus the entire system. The project includes correction of this flaw. SWA is re-routing some of the lines and working on obtaining easements from Bonita Golf Course. The transmission main line currently runs along Sweetwater Road, through a portion of both golf courses, and down Bonita Road to the 805. There will be a temporary impact to traffic and trails. The current construction on Bonita Road is actually preparatory work. The next phase will begin around March 2019 and is anticipated to be an 18 month project. SWA is awaiting environmental documents, of which, SVCA is also a recipient. SWA intends to create a web page for residents to track progress. A few SVCA members

expressed a safety need for traffic assistance. Businesses, including assisted care living facilities on Bonita Rd, are dangerous to get in and out of. For more information, please attend the Sweetwater Authority Open House on Oct 4. More info available: [www.Sweetwater.org](http://www.Sweetwater.org)

### **Community Forum:**

**Fire**— Deputy Chief Mike Sims reported that the Bonita/Sunnyside Fire Dept will help with traffic near Sunnyside Elementary on Thursdays. Brush is being cut back 20' along Bonita Road.

**Traffic/Roads**—Mike Clowers The flashing crosswalk beacon at Sunnyside School (San Miguel Rd) HAS been installed and is highly visible to motorists. After emailing our contact, Mr. Murali Pasumarthi about the hole left in the sidewalk by the construction crew, it has now been repaired (effective 9/13/18). I have also emailed Mr Pasumarthi about no work having started on the Central Ave side of Sunnyside School. The County has missed two completion deadlines for crosswalk upgrades originally promised as July 23rd and then August 31. Our SVCA traffic task force group will meet with Pasumarthi and the County roads people again in October. We're slated to discuss the wide section of San Miguel Road; and we'll address any work that's still incomplete. No update or changes on SBX 125.

**Membership**—Sharon Coleman No report.

--Mike Seiler confirmed with the group present that SVCA will hold off on a direct mailer to increase awareness and membership of SVCA, instead leaning on social media. Lisa Goodsell will follow up on the SVCA flyer created by Parisa Hill. All agreed.

**Sr. Volunteer Patrol**—Jim Woodford publicized San Diego County Sheriff's Department is accepting applications for Senior Volunteer Patrol. The commitment is 6hrs/week. Application and qualifying information is available online <http://www.sdsheriff.net> or by calling 858-974-2709. The August 2018 Report of Sheriff SR. Volunteer Activities are as follows:

Hours on patrol	312
Number of Patrols	26
Number of Miles Driven	1,320
Vacation Checks	67
YANA Visits	3
YANA Calls	48
Citizen Assist	8
Traffic Control	4
Number of Volunteers	20

**Trails**—Mark Kukuchek

Mark reminded us: Sep 15 - another clean up will take place on at Morrison Pond. Info for local clean-up efforts can always be found at I Love a Clean San Diego <https://www.ilacsd.org/> Sep 21 – Twilight Trail Parade with a band starts 6pm at Sunnyside Arena (located near Sweetwater Rd and Central Ave). Regarding homelessness activities: three new rangers, specific to homelessness activity, have been designated. The Park Land Dedication Ordinance, which is a fund builders pay into, was recently revised and updated for how & what funds can be used for. Clean up efforts should benefit from this change.

**Bonita Alliance (BA)**--Lisa Martin Goodsell

Bonita Alliance held a residents forum meeting on Aug 15<sup>th</sup> and a follow-up meeting of smaller scale

on Aug 21<sup>st</sup> that included a few pro-level golfers and Chris Gilfillen, Manager of Chula Vista Golf Course. We have enough ideas now that a proposal can be drafted to save the property as we've known it, a combo golf course and community/sports park, but in better condition. This outcome is by majority consensus of Bonita Alliance members through several 2018 meetings. It seems the best approach at this juncture, is to support the golf course and the golf course manager's ideas along with the aforementioned proposal to the City of Chula Vista stating all the pros that position CVGC/Rohr Park property as the best choice for designation as a landmark park by City of CV. The City of CV recently announced at their Aug 7<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting that four locations are being considered for the landmark park designation. To be clear, our proposal will include the golf course remaining with a few changes in the golf course that would bring it from a par 73 to a par 72 course. CVGC will continue to improve and repair aspects of the property. A bit more research needs to be completed, but I hope to have the proposal letter for SVCA approval at the Nov meeting latest. Meanwhile, please support the CVGC to golf, meet friends at the bar, and reserve event space for your holiday party. Please post positive experiences on NextDoor.com, Bonita Ca Residents FaceBook along with your own social media. Any questions on this topic or about Bonita Alliance can be directed to Lisa via email: [LisaColetteArt@cox.net](mailto:LisaColetteArt@cox.net) Chula Vista Golf Course 619-479-4141

**Sweetwater Community Planning Group**—Steve Stonehouse reported on the Sep 4 SCPG meeting outcomes: The Board denied the Ace Storage project and will advise the San Diego Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors with details. There is a 30-day period for public comments according to the rules of Calif Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). It is imperative to respond within the 30-day period. Resident comments should be directed to the Project Manager, Michelle Chan via [Michelle.Chan@sdcountry.ca.gov](mailto:Michelle.Chan@sdcountry.ca.gov)

President Seiler adjourned meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Martin Goodsell, SVCA

Next SVCA meeting: Oct 3, 2018

**Mission Statement:** The Sweetwater Valley Civic Association is the direct conduit to local County elected and appointed officials, law enforcement and emergency first responders to discuss and resolve issues directly related to our quality of life within the Sweetwater Valley communities.