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SWEETWATER VALLEY CIVIC ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING April 3, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by President Michael Seiler at the Bonita Library Community Room. President Seiler welcomed members and guests who may be contemplating membership in the SVCA. We were invited 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, Tony Tieber, Judy Tieber, Steve Stonehouse, Sharon Clayton, Mike Clowers, Glenn Kopp Sharon Coleman.

Members Present: Prudence Prince, Drake Prince, Donna Hodge, Mark Kukuchek, Sharmane Estolano, David Corcoran, Victor Avina, Daryl Hern, Janele Evans

Guests Present: Julio Garcia San Diego County Sheriff's Dept, Barbara Provost, Jessica Mier, Marshall Anderson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Tony Tieber moved to approve with corrections, Steve Stonehouse 2nd. Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT: Stephen Stonehouse reporting.

Checking	\$ 436.11
Certificate of Deposit	\$3,453.85
Ending Balance	\$3,889.96

Report accepted as presented.

Law Enforcement Reports:

CHP Officer Pete Thepkulchon not available.

Julio Garcia, Crime Prevention Specialist, S.D. County Sheriff Dept, reviewed area criminal activity including auto break-ins, vehicle theft, aggravated assault, petty theft, and a residential burglary. He told us that domestic violence cases are continuing to increase and are problematic because the victims often do not want to press charges. Now the State is filing charges and moving forward with prosecution of these offenders. Domestic violence runs the full gamut of wealthy, poor, men, women as both aggressors and victims. We also learned that on this Saturday, April 6, 9-3 at the Bonita Valley Community Church, the Sheriff's Dept. in conjunction with the Bonita Optimist Club, is having a Kids Bike Safety Rodeo. Everyone is invited to bring their children for this fun event.

Mr. Garcia is available for security consultation for both home and business locations. He can be reached at the Imperial Beach Substation at 619-498-2400.

Chula Vista Police Officer Jeff Pace not available.

Fire Safety: Bonita Fire Chief Mike Sims not available.

Elected Representative Reports:

Victor Avina from County Board of Supervisor Greg Cox's office presented his updates. First, he introduced Marshall Anderson, who may be filling in for him on occasion. Victor is really busy with his MBA requirements. He followed up on our concerns about blocked line of sight when exiting the Post Office/Bonnie Brae Shopping Center. The County felt the best way to handle it was to paint part of the curb red so drivers would not park right up against the exits. SVCA members expressed concerns that, while that helped, it was not enough. Members continued to request signage for no commercial vehicle parking.

Mr. Avina also updated us on the Community Choice Energy (CCE) option. On April 10th at 1:30 p.m. a workshop is planned for discussion of Pros and Cons to CCE. This is being held on 3rd floor, County Administration Bldg, 1600 Pacific Highway. Also on April 10th, at 6:00 pm, Library Community Room, County will lead a discussion about construction timeframe and how the proposed library expansion will affect the conference room. There is a lot going on to prepare the community garden area for use. The garden will be run/managed by RCD Resource, and we should hear in the near future how to sign up for a plot, what the cost will be etc. Sarah Agosie from County will be scheduling a meeting in the very near future. Per Victor, we will definitely get more details at our May meeting.

Jessica Mier from Congress Woman Susan Davis' office: Jessica Mier told us the Congress woman has been very busy the last three months. Everyone is waiting for the Mueller report. The workshop on cyber-security for both our personal needs, as well as global requirements went very well. The next workshop on Climate Change will be scheduled during the next 2-3 months. We also got the run-down for the 2019 high school Senate art contest. Our local San Diego Art Institute will display all entries for one full month.

Samantha Trickey from Council Member John McCann's Office. Not present.

Continuing Business:

Mike Clowers spoke on behalf of The San Miguel Rd/Proctor Valley Rd Traffic Committee. A meeting with County is scheduled for April 15th so we can see the finalized County plan for the wide part of San Miguel Rd. The restriping etc. will be done in conjunction with the planned road resurfacing in July. Mike also described an auto accident that took place at Proctor Valley Rd and Jonel Way on March 30th. Mike gave Officer Thepkulchon all the details. We really need a stop sign for PVR north-bound traffic at Jonel Way.

New Business:

Judy Tieber brought up the Sunnyside Saddle Club (SSC) new Open Show year is starting. She asked if the SVCA would consider being a 2019 Club Sponsor for \$100. Steve Stonehouse moved, Tony Tieber 2nd to again be a SSC sponsor. Motion carried with unanimous approval. Judy will make sure the banner is posted at all open shows.

Community Forum:

Bonita Alliance: Mike Seiler reported for Lisa Martin-Goodsell that on 3/29, 2019, Bonita Alliance met with C.V. City Councilmember John McCann to discuss the Chula Vista Golf Course/Rohr Park proposal prepared by Bonita Alliance last November 2018. Those present at the 3/29/19

meeting were: John McCann, Samantha Trickey, Kelly Broughton (CV Development Services), Lisa Martin Goodsell, Mike Seiler, Dana Cornell, and Nancy Cornell.

The Nov BA proposal letter was discussed, which incorporated the ideas reflecting the greatest land use desires, by majority, of the Bonita Alliance group.

The positive outcomes from the meeting with McCann (3/29) are as follow:

- McCann agreed with our group that making a Master Plan for the entire CVGC/Rohr Park property makes sense to ensure the best use, utility and placement of activities are achieved.
- He added that forming a new committee is something that we should begin working towards now.
- He would confer with the City Manager on the possibility of assembling a committee for this task, if funds and City staffing are available.
- He agreed that Bonita Alliance/SVCA will be included as a partnering component of this new committee.

Other details uncovered were:

- The Landmark designation has not been decided yet, although the four parks being considered all have aspects that meet a Landmark designation.
- The aim of Bonita Alliance is to garner a Landmark designation to achieve greater funding resources to carry out bringing additional activities to the Rohr Park property, and to secure a long-term assurance that the entire property will remain open as parkland, whether or not the golf course remains intact. (*To be clear, the Bonita Alliance proposal includes keeping the golf course.)

The entire meeting had a positive, partner-mentality tone. Bonita Alliance was convincing about the value to the City of partnering with us.

Dog Park discussions: To confirm, City decided the area east of Lot A was too small. The plan is once again to build it near the west side of the park which is still close to parking and restrooms. The City will reach out to the neighbors and work with them to ally their concerns.

Traffic/Roads – Tony Tieber reported on the continuing line-of-sight problems when exiting the Post Office parking lot. Red-painted curb is helpful, but does not totally solve the problem. Also, Corral Canyon Rd is an absolute mess. Every week some new company is in there digging up the road and doing a less than adequate patch job. David Corcoran asked for CHP support along the narrow residential section of Central Avenue past Corral Canyon. Residents are seeing a lot of speeding, crossing over the center line on the curve, and report the problems go both directions. Judy Tieber will pass this request/info onto CHP Officer Thepkulchon.

Tony also told us the SVCA website was affected by an intrusion or Spam with a threat to infect our website. The person wanted \$1000 to not infect the website. Jessica Mier suggested calling the FBI to report this. These cases are being followed up on. Jessica will give Tony the contact information.

Planning Group - Steve Stonehouse reported there was no Sweetwater Community Planning Group meeting in April. At the May meeting, a presentation is scheduled to review plans for a 19-home subdivision to be built at the east end of Jonel Way, Bonita. The County Planner will be there and available to discuss the scoping letter and resident concerns.

Membership—Sharon Coleman reported membership numbers: Individual-24, Family-38, Silver-2, Gold 12, Organizations 7. Next month she will start the renewal process and hopes everyone will continue to support the SVCA through their continuing membership.

Sr. Volunteer Patrol - Jim Woodford was unable to attend. The March activity follows:

Number of volunteers	17		
Hours on Patrol	168	Number of Patrols	14
Number Miles Driven	700	Vacation Checks	39
YANA Visits	0	YANA calls	45
Citizen Assists	6	Traffic Control	9

Trails –Mark Kukuchek told us that the trails are starting to dry out. Trails 4, 5, and 6 are now getting some repair attention. “I Love A Clean San Diego” is scheduling another 3 hr work day at the end of Conduit. Check the website for schedule and to sign up. The Bike Park contract has been awarded. The Glen Abbey Trail is still under construction, and there is growing enthusiasm for the Community Garden. Mark also mentioned the possibility of a County Off-leash dog park to be built in the area of the Western Gateway.

Daryl Hern told us the Museum is hosting a High School Art exhibit that is sponsored by Sweetwater Authority. On April 24th from 6:30-7:30 the Human Trafficking Task Force will be making a presentation at the Coronado St. address of the Sheriff’s station.

Mike Clowers reminded everyone the rattlesnakes are out so be careful. It helps to keep the weeds down. Steve Croft (County Roads) needs to get crews out to cut weeds down along the road edges. We have a lot of tall grass this year.

President Seiler thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith Tieber
Secretary, SVCA

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.