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SWEETWATER VALLEY CIVIC ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
February 7,2025

Directors Present: President Judy Tieber, Vice President Sharmane Estolano, Treasurer Stephen Stonehouse, Sharon Coleman.

Members Present: Tony Tieber, Felix Felix, Bill Coleman, Daryl Hearn, Mike Parnell, Tom Pocklington,

Guest Present: Charles Gailband, County Parks, Lisa Schmidt

1 CALL TO ORDER: 06:30 PM by President Judy Tieber at the Bonita Library Community Room. Judy thanked everyone for coming out on a Friday evening.

2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE following the pledge of allegiance, there was a moment of silence to honor the people of our Armed Forces, Law Enforcement and especially our Fire and Safety professionals, with appreciation for those who are currently serving to protect us.

3 SIGN IN: Everyone was encouraged to sign in so that there is an attendance record.

4 APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Stephen Stonehouse moved to approve the draft January 8, 2025, minutes. Second by Sharmane Estolano. Minutes approved.

5 TREASURER'S REPORT: Stephen Stonehouse provided the February Treasurer's report.

Previous balance: \$8,995.35

Expenses: \$45.00 Mail Chimp
Check 918 Paid \$2,666.45 back to County for unused Grant funds
Check 922 Paid County \$64.65 for SVCA Map

Dues Received: \$49.21

Ending Balance: \$6268.46

6 FIRE CHIEF MICHAEL SIMS: No Report

7. Jose Ortiz: Sheriff's Office: No Report.

8. ELECTED OFFICIALS REPRESENTATIVES REPORT: Lisa Schmidt from Assemblymember David Alvarez' Office told us

David planned to introduce some important new legislation in the very near future to help sustain the State FAIR Insurance program used by homeowners who cannot obtain commercial insurance. She also talked about an upcoming workshop for first-time home buyers and helping our local fire stations with some of their needs. (More information was in the David Alvarez newsletter sent out to members in February)

Charles Gailband, Director of County Parks talked for a few minutes about the plan to increase camping fees, pavilion reservation fees and the plan to consolidate some miscellaneous charges. Increases set to start on February 18th. He did not have information on fee increases for Provence House.

Vivian Moreno, District 8 Council person for City of San Diego (South San Diego/Nestor neighborhoods) stopped by to say hi and introduce herself. She is running for County District 1 Supervisor and is making the rounds to various community meetings to learn about our Bonita concerns and challenges. She wanted us to know that she is all for stopping the SR 125 toll she considers to be an unfair tax on the South County. Judy asked if she would be willing to be the keynote speaker at our June annual meeting. She said "yes" that is something she would like to do. We thanked her for coming and showing an interest in our community.

9. NEW BUSINESS: Judy asked those present if they would like to have district 1 candidates come and talk and answer questions. The time is short in that we could only accommodate 4 candidates, 2 in March and 2 the first of April. The consensus was no, everyone is busy, and we would not be able to accommodate all the candidates.

8 CONTINING BUSINESS: Those present continued the bylaws draft review and discussion. We finished the bylaws review, and declared it is ready for approval. Those present also reviewed the presented SVCA map. Sharmane suggested we include the businesses along Bonita Road in the strip mall just east of the 805 freeway. Judy will return to the Registrar of Voters office to get a finalized printed map.

9 OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Felix gave an introduction to how he plans to run/manage his responsibilities as the new chair of the Sweetwater Community Planning Group.

Meeting adjourned: the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

December 2024 VOLUNTEER SHERIFF PATROL ACTIVITIES

Hours on patrol	43
Number of Patrols	65
Number of Miles Driven	247
Vacation Checks	4
Citizen Assists	0

Traffic Control	1
Number of Volunteers	4
Deploy Speed Traylor	1
Citations Issued	3

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Tieber,
Acting Secretary

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 related directly to our quality of life within the Sweetwater Valley communities.