

Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council  
Board Meeting Minutes  
October 8, 2014  
North Valley Neighborhood City Hall

Meeting called to order by president Mark Seigel at 7:12 p.m. Attendance total 89: 17 board members and 72 audience. Audience included students from VHHS Leadership Class. Board members present: Mark Seigel, Brenda Fortune, Nina Royal, Charlie Bradley, Dana Stangel, Pat Kramer, Jon vonGunten, Marlene Hitt, Sergio Soto, Gail Carlson, Jorge Martinez, Julie Cuddihy, Sandra Baugus, Maureen O'Byrne, Cindy Cleghorn (15 board members present). David Barron and John Laue arrived late (2). Sandra Baugus left early (1). Board members absent: Arno Akobyan, Krystee Clark, Jim Moore (3).

Pledge of Allegiance led by Charlie Bradley.

President Mark Seigel welcomed all and gave brief updates regarding board Ethics & Finance training. Julie Cuddihy provided copy of her completed ethics training certificate. STNC board introduced. Mark also gave updates on the Day Street Apartments. STNC Secretary Sandra Baugus resigned as she is moving.

Approval of Minutes – Cleghorn/Fortune moved to accept minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of September 2014 STNC Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) and our own STNC Budget recap. – Cleghorn/Royal moved to accept as presented passed unanimously (15-0-0).

Approval of DONE / NC Plan postponed to future meeting.

LAPD Senior Lead Officer Contreras reported that Prop 47 is about how the Police Department will respond. Cpt. Malinowski promoted to Commander of Operations. Drug use and manufacturing raids and arrests have taken place. Neighborhood Prosecutor Susan Chung announced the City Attorney Town Hall to be held here on 11-12-14 and announced the Neighborhood Justice Program which has a one year, 4 hours per month commitment and application process. CD7 report and comments from board and stakeholders included concerns regarding DOT missing striping, Valley Traffic patrol needed at schools, thank you for revitalizing Little Landers Park, we need median clean up, dog waste stations still needed and Recreation and Parks will install. VHHS volunteers are welcome at S-T field office.

7:30 p.m. Board member Sandra Baugus left the meeting

Community Announcements included: Cemetery Tour on 10/25, History of Tuna Camp on 10/11, Weatherwolde Castle video now available, Flapjack Fundraiser at McGroarty on 10/11; Night Hike on 10/11 at 7 p.m.; Mountain Lion presentation on 10/28; VHHS Leadership Homecoming Parade 10/17 at 7 p.m.; Blood Drive on 11/19; Elks Halloween Party on 10/26; Clean Up on 10/18; Empowerment Enlightenment 10/27 at 6 p.m. at Mid Valley Public Library; CPAB 10/9 at 6 p.m.

Motion (Kramer/Royal) to appoint Charlie Bradley to the VP Community Improvement vacancy passed unanimous. This appointment now leaves a vacancy in Region 4.

Recommendations from the Clean Up & Beautification Committee: Gail Carlson reported that over 60 people were at the clean up. Next clean up events 10/18 and 11/15. The following funding support recommendations were presented:

- a. Round Up – up to \$100 for weed abatement on Foothill Blvd. (Carlson/vonGunten) passed unanimous. *Budget Category: Community Improvement*
- b. DOT Power Panel Boxes in Public Right of Way Mural Art Project supplies – up to \$1,000 (Carlson/O'Byrne). Item tabled (Kramer/vonGunten) to future meeting to bring more detail and combine with other beautification efforts. Motion to table passed 16-1-0. *Budget Category: Community Improvement*

Motion (Cleghorn/Fortune) to support the VANC Planning Forum event to be held on December 11, 2014 in the amount of \$100 for shared refreshments cost. STNC will be listed on program. Passed unanimous. *Budget Category: Outreach/Community Improvement*

Motion (Cleghorn/Laue) CF13-1364 that the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council supports the City of Los Angeles' Election Reform Commission recommendation to move the dates of the City's regular primary and general municipal elections from the current schedule of March and May of odd numbered years to a new schedule of June and November of even numbered years. Motion passed unanimous.

Motion (Cleghorn/Royal) CF13-1493 Street Vending that the STNC is opposed to legalizing and permitting street vending of food and merchandise on City sidewalks and parkways. The STNC board authorizes its President to submit a letter outlining the issues related to street vending and delineating conditions which should be included in the regulation and enforcement provisions of any street vending ordinance. The board of the STNC is opposed to legalizing and permitting street vending. Motion passed 10-4-2.

Motion (Bradley/Martinez) that STNC participate Sunland-Tujunga Community Awareness with two light pole banners at \$500 displaying STNC and STNC.org; poles to be located on Foothill Blvd. and the downtown Commerce area. Promotion to be on display for three months estimated by Thanksgiving weekend and tying into the American Express

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Small Business Saturday "Shop Local" annual marketing events. Media promotion included. Motion passed 12-0-3.  
*Budget Category: Outreach/Community Improvement*

Motion (Bradley/O'Byrne) that STNC pay \$200 for STNC named display at Apperson Street Elementary. (this funding approved in prior FY but not paid and this request is to pay in current FY). *Budget Category: Outreach*

Motion (Carlson/Fortune) that STNC pay up to \$300 for doggie waste bag dispensers at Sunland Park. (this funding approved in prior FY but not paid and this request is to pay in current FY). *Budget Category: Community Improvement*

9:30 p.m. – Board members Julie Cuddihy, Dana Stangel, Gail Carlson, Brenda Fortune left the meeting.

Committee Reports

- a. Land Use– Cindy Cleghorn reported that updated plans for development at Verdugo Hills Golf Course will be presented on Oct. 20; 8134 Foothill Blvd. and update on Baseline Mansionization Ordinance.
- b. Animal Issues – Dana Stangel reported that a night hike will be held on Oct. 11 and on Oct. 28 there will be a Mountain Lion presentation.
- c. Safety Committee – 5 steps Disaster Preparedness meeting and Community Survey will be online soon.
- d. Outreach – Brenda Fortune gave a brief written report on upcoming events with STNC support.

Public Comments presented by four stakeholders.

Future Events:

- e. Land Use Committee 10/20 & 11/3
- f. Neighborhood Watch 10/21
- g. Shakeout Event 10/16
- h. Clean Up Events 10/18 & 11/15
- i. Outreach Committee – 11/4
- j. Next STNC meeting November 12

**Adjourn 9:55 p.m.**