

Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council
Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 12, 2014 – 7:30 p.m.
North Valley Neighborhood City Hall
7747 Foothill Blvd. Tujunga CA 91042
Audience Attendance: 89

Board Attendance: Mark Seigel, Cindy Cleghorn, Nina Royal, Pat Kramer, Michael Jones, Araz Parseghian, Lydia Grant, Krystee Clark, Ed Novy, John "Blue" Herget, Joe DeCenzo, Patrick O'Brien, Richard Stewart, Paolina Milana-Edwards, Albert Timins. Sandra Baugus, Secretary-Elect, volunteered as Secretary for this meeting..

Meeting called to order at 7:11 p.m. by President Mark Seigel. Pledge of allegiance. Introductions: LAPD Officer Rich Wall, Sr. Lead for Tujunga talked about a recent homicide in Tujunga result of a domestic dispute. He also gave an update regarding a stabbing at the liquor store on Commerce over a cigarette. Crimes overall are down 12% over last years. Car thefts are up. No reports from CD7 this month.

President's Report: Intersection at Tujunga Cyn and Foothill has been repaired after several months. Hillhaven is on the list schedule within 60-days.

PRESENTATION: UCLA students from the Neighborhood Analysis Studio returned to give their final presentation on the State of Sunland Tujunga. Copies were also distributed to the board and audience. It is a 10-week course to understand the different communities in LA. They have only presented the report to outside the community and this meeting was the first time to the community. The report compared data in ST with LA. Demographic, Socio, Housing and Transportation and Economic research. Key findings included This presentation concluded at 7:35 p.m. with questions asked by board members and the public. The questions concluded at 7:50 p.m. Video of the presentation is available at: <http://vimeo.com/88986563> - Press Release available on the STNC website at http://stnc.org/news_details.php?news_id=32

PUBLIC COMMENTS-

Sharon Evans and Rick Rogers promoted their radio show, which can be found at CRN talk .com The owner and customers of AlternaMeds, a medical marijuana dispensary said the City sent notice for them to close.

REPORTS AND MOTIONS.-

Minutes of February 12th approved unanimously

Motion to approve February 2014 STNC Financial report approved with one abstention.

Cindy Cleghorn gave Outreach /Media Team Report.- It was stated that the media team now has all videos on Vimeo and more videos are upcoming. It was also stated that it has been one year since the camera has been in use. Over 100 videos now online. See written report on file.

David Gonzalez from LAUSD board member Monica Ratliff announced that there would be an upcoming budget meeting at Verdugo Hill High school on March 29th at 6pm. More information could be found at LA schoolboard.org.

Mark Seigel asked everyone to take the survey found on the Sunland Tujunga web site.

STNC Election results: This year's election saw 671 voters come out to vote as compared to 290 in 2012. Mark Seigel then announced the winners of this years election. Mark also announced that there was a unknown challenge to the election results.

Motion (Cleghorn/DeCenzo) that STNC support 4th of July 2014 community events outreach up to \$7,000 to include sharing cost of the parade costs/fees on Foothill Blvd. and fireworks display at Verdugo Hills High School that will include STNC recognition on flyers, banners and July 4th events. This support is the same as 2013. Motion passed with one abstention.

STNC Outreach (Royal/Stewart): Motion to approve up to \$200 to pay for supplies for community arts classes at Sunland Park. Motion passed unanimous.

STNC Outreach (Cleghorn/Karamians): Motion to pay cost of tables and chairs for the Spring Carnival April 18-20, 2014 to Bonners Rentals (amended by Stewart/Armour) up to \$300. Motion passed unanimous.

NC Budget Advocate – Report – *Krystee Clark gave the report for Ed Novy.*

Safety Committee: Above & Beyond event tentatively scheduled for May 2014, CERT, First Aid & CPR classes are being scheduled to start in June. Discussion: regarding purchasing up to four GPS units for our local Fire Stations. – *Nina Royal*

Land Use Committee Report – *Cindy Cleghorn*

1. STNC support support Foothill Blvd. to LA City Great Streets program – passed unanimous.
2. Motion: The STNC supports motion Council File #14-0122 and submits Community Impact Statement: The STNC supports the expansion of the function and staff of the Planning Department's Condition Compliance Unit together with drafting an ordinance for field inspection and subsequent penalties for CUP violators and complaint investigation related to CUP operations. The STNC requests that special conditions granted are essential to stakeholder safety, quality of life and the financial health of our Community. Our own Foothill Blvd is a prime example of what happens when operators fail to uphold their CUP's community commitments. Motion passed unanimous.
3. reCodeLA draft report is now available online
4. Development Services report is now available online
5. Early Notification: Ground Mounted Solar installation on Reverie Road, Tujunga and next meeting presentation by representative at 8737 Fenwick, Sunland.

Future Events: Next STNC meeting April 9 – Dr. Trimis – VHHS Glee Club – Board Installation and DONE Training (90 minutes)

Announcements:

The May "Above and Beyond" CERT event to be held in May 2014 was discussed. Contact Nina Royal. Mark Siegel suggested that an overview committee should be developed to discuss the subject of Medical Marijuana Shops

The April Spring festival will be held on April 18th, 18th and 20th. The festival is looking for sponsors.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.