**Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council**

**Special General Meeting Minutes –Draft 6/23/17**

**Meeting date: June 14, 2017**

**Meeting Location: NVCH = 7747 Foothill Blvd, Tujunga, CA 91042**

**Item 1: Called to Order**: 6:39pm by Krystee Clark, STNC President

**Board member in Attendance**:

Krystee Clark

Charlie Bradley

Dana Stangel

Marlene Hitt

Hrant Vartzbedian

Amelia Anderson

Julie Cuddihy

Jon VonGunten

John Candler

Ana Orudyan

Pat Kramer

Linda Adran

Pati Potter

Mark Seigel – arrived 8:04

David Barron – arrived 8:12

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**President Announcements:**

1. Small Asphalt Repair – Contact Pati Potter, Region 4 Rep. with address of needed repairs.
2. 4th of July parade and fireworks – please put you name on the volunteer signup sheet

**Item 2: Event Announcements**

1. Animal Issue committee meeting 6/20 and presentation on BioBlitzap and 6/24 Ora Vista Park 9am-noon will be a scavenger hunt to practice with the bioblitz app.
2. Only the Oaks Remain – Detention Station – Open Ceremony Sunday July 9th please RSVP. Traveling exhibit will be at Bolton Hall July 9th through August 6, 2017 more info [www.littlelandershistoricalsociety.org](http://www.littlelandershistoricalsociety.org)

**Item 3: Public Comments**

1. Pat Kramer upset that water balloons or cannons are being allowed at the 4th of July parade, she strongly feel the organizers should announce that these are prohibited and take measures it stop it or at the very least set up a wet zone where they would be allowed
2. John Vazquez gave an update on the McGroarty and oak tree issue-STNC, CFAC, Kagle Canyon Assoc and the Native Tribes will or has written letters to request a full ERI.
3. Roberta (stakeholder) thanked Nina Royal for all her dedication and hard work to bring Mission College to S/T.
4. Amelia announced she has written articles in the Foothills Paper why we celebrate the 4th of July. In addition, mentioned new regulations on vehicle dwelling.
5. Dana gave info and asked for help/advise for a 70yr old lady that is fighting to save and stay on her property in Shadow Hills. She is and has lived on the property 30 years but there is no house on the property currently. Legal help is needed mainly.
6. Nina – Mission College has the new class schedule out. The school will be sending out mailers this coming week.

**Item 4: Public Official and Community Rep Announcements:**

1. LAPD REPORT: John V. gave the report – Sunland down 10% over last year; Tujunga 12% down, Foothill Division over all down 5%. Two Nuisance properties location have been turned over to the Attorney Office for investigation also new investigation taking place on Assist Living facilities. There will be a higher presence of LAPD at the parade.
2. Vanessa of DONE – there are 90 accepted in the Civic Youth. Remind that the Treasure needs to be done before July 1st. Working on getting training in a valley location. Submit any pictures or stories about the NC for the Congress.
3. Eric – from Assemblyman Raul Bocanegra office - Workshops will be given 6/30/17 in Pacoima 6:30pm to talk and take questions. Joining with City of San Fernando on a workshop for Calif Tax Credit workshop business in the district to help business grow, tax credit info, secure funds July 11th 9:30am in San Fernando, more info on the assembly web site. Sound wall funds have been secured on Paxton. [He actually said Paxton to Sunland Blvd. but those 2 streets do not meet]. Assemblyman has secured fund of $3.5 million in the state budget to go toward the acquiring the Big Tujunga Canyon property aka Canyon Homes Development, once the budget is passed it will go to the Governor to sign, Property will be appraised and if more monies is needed he will look to possibly from Prop 1 and and/or find additional funds other places as/if needed, such as the Santa Monica Conservatory.
4. Rose from LAUSD #6 – reminded everyone of National Night Out 8/1/17 and Monica Radcliff hopes everyone comes out and enjoys themselves. Monica Radciff thanks the STNC for being receptive reaching out to get students they can be active. Monica Radcliff last day will be June 30, 2017, Kelly Gonez will take over July 1, 2017

**Item 5: Presentation on the Safe Sidewalk program.**

Ramon Aguilar – improvement movement and make ADA compatible. – Funds put aside to do this in the next 30 years. All info at <http://www.sidewalks.lacity.org> there are 2 programs.

Access program: priority goes to access requirement for disability

Rebate program: owner would pay and have the work done then apply for the rebate, depending on residential or commercial would determine how much of a rebate. This will speed up getting their sidewalk fixed. Regarding trees in the way or damaging the sidewalk, the city will come out of evaluate.

**Item 6: Presentation by San Gabriel Mountains Forever**

John Monsen - reminded all that STNC wrote a letter in Oct 2015 in support of passing legislation to keep San Gabriel Mountains as open space. The east portion of the San Gabriel Mountains was designated as a National Monument, but not the west side, SGMF wants to change that to get all the SGM in the National Monument and is asking the STNC for a new letter of support [see item 12]

Item 7: Presentation from Steps to Heaven

Elder Resource/Support Service 1-stop shop for seniors and family. Elder Care Coordinators and Geriatric Care managers. Also a non-profit side for those that do not quality for Medical or legal services they try to see if they can help. Can also look into illegal or substandard assistance living facility or transition homes.

**Item 8: Approval of Minutes**

1. Krystee moved to approve 5/10/17 minutes: Marlene second

Passed = 15 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain

1. Krystee moved to approve 5/24/17 minutes: John C second:

Passed = 15 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain

**Item 9: Review/ approve May 2017 and June 2017 MER**

No report but Krystee said spent down almost to the penny, $2,500 went toward the 2017 fireworks.

**Item 10: Motion to change STNC mailing address to 7747 Foothill Blvd. Tujunga, CA 91042**

Krystee moved to approve; Dana second:

Passed = 15 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain

**Item 11: Two Budget Representative**

Krystee moved to appoint Rick R. and Hrant V; Amelia second:

Passed = 15 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain

**Item 12: Letter of Support for San Gabriel Mountains Forever**

Letter read, Krystee moved to support; Dana second:

Discussion was to adjust some of the wording “to preserve all existing acreage”

Krystee Moved to amend the original motion and to accept changes: Pat K. second:

Passed = 15 yes, 0 No, 1 abstain

**Item 13: Motion to support letter by Matt Kruse**

Krystee moved to support; Dana second:

Discussion it is understood that Film LA understands the importance of all bike lanes being painted green and when filming, if needed, will paint over the green and after filming will repaint the bike lanes green.

Krystee Motioned amend the original motion to include in the letter “we would like our specific bike lane to be priories for painting green”

Krystee moved; Amelia Second:

Passed = 15 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain

**Item 14: Motion for monies for refreshments and promotional materials for event to acknowledge contributions by committee members and stakeholders to the community**. Tentative date is Sept 2017.

Dana moved up to $1,000; Pat K second:

Discussion: It was questioned if dinner is part of the funds, no only refreshments.

Amelia suggested advertised in local town papers.

Cindy said this is a great idea to acknowledge work by people, this use to be done but it has been awhile.

Passed = 14 yes, 0 no, 2 abstain

**Item 15: Motion for up to $400 for shipping cost of the 3 chair carts.**

Krystee moved; Pati second:

Passed = 15 yes, 0 No, 1 abstain

**Item 16: Board and Committee Reports**

1. Safe Streets recommendations – tabled
2. Outreach – each committee chair think about and turn in names for the acknowledgement event.
3. LUC – Motion from the committee to support, Krystee moved:
	* 1. 7314 Foothill signage –

Passed = 15 yes, 0 No, 1 abstain

* + 1. 6443 Blanchard Canyon single family residence –

Passed = 15 yes, 0 No, 1 abstain

* + 1. Richard Marshalian appointed to LUC alternate member –

Passed = 15 yes, 0 No, 1 abstain

1. Storage inventory Committee –
	* 1. Shelves need to be secured to wall.
		2. Need someone or suggestion on getting into the STNC computer since the password is lost.
		3. Wi-Fi – need to push CD7 to offer Wi-Fi to the building
2. Women Empowering Sunland-Tujunga (WEST) Committee (new name)- July monthly meeting date changed because of 4th of July; looking for a plane to have their Tea party, possibly in November.
3. Budget – day is coming up June 24th, open to all Board members and stakeholder, great event, register on line.
4. Arts & Recreation and Culture = attempting to put together a directory of all artist in the community, McGroarty At center is also helping.

Ending comments by Nina:

1. National Night out is Tue August 1, 2071. We have had this event for more years than she can remember, it will continue. Volunteer to get food, water set up tables and funding needed. If no objections she will try to get the same band to play, the cost last year for the band was $200.
2. Still working on Safety Emergency Drill Day, was planning on October but so much going on that might not work.
3. Safety Communities gives an award to LAPD or LAFD that has gone over and above the call of duty, if you know of any please let Krystee know so awards can be presented.

Next Meeting: July 12, 2017

Adjourn