

SUNOL CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2017

6:30 p.m.

SUNOL GLEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Council Member Rosemary Chang called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Rosemary Chang, Gerry Beemiller and Jordan Franco

Board Members Excused: Nzingha Johnson and Barry Kaminsky

Staff Present: Jessica Roque, Clerk, Board of Supervisors Office; Gabriela Christy, Supervisor Valle's Office; Bonnie Terra, Alameda County Fire Department; Jonathan Hamm, Sheriff's Office; Elizabeth McElligott, Community Development Agency; Kelly Miles, Sheriff's Office

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT/OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Community Member Jim questioned whether the Sunol Citizens' Advisory Council is following Brown Act guidelines. He would like the Agenda to be distributed earlier and wants it to be more descriptive.

Kelley Abreu would like this committee to focus on Caltrans issues that are being ignored, such as the human cost of roads.

3. **REPORTS/UPDATES - Informational Items:**

Alameda County Sheriff's Office – Deputy Hamm reported that on June 1st there was an incident on Kilkare Road where two victims were assaulted with a deadly weapon. Both victims received lacerations to the hands. The suspect was arrested. The suspect and victims were residents of Sunol.

On June 13th, a suspicious vehicle was parked near a road closure by Palomeras Road. After deputies found controlled substances, paraphernalia and a loaded gun, the suspect was taken to Santa Rita Jail. This suspect was not a resident of Sunol.

Alameda County Fire Department – Bonnie Terra reported 27 calls for service last month, the majority were for emergency medical services. There were no fires nor any property/value losses. With very warm weather approaching, Bonnie urged everyone to stay safe from both a fire and medical standpoint.

Mike Martin from Cal Fire stated that if anyone received a vegetation management inspection violation but does not have the physical ability or means to correct the violation, please notify Cal Fire for assistance.

PROGRESS REPORTS (AS NECESSARY) - Informational Items:

Citizen's Traffic Committee – No report.

Niles Canyon Railway – Council Member Chang read an e-mail from Community Member Henry stating that the Niles Canyon Railway will not be participating in the Stroll and Roll event in September.

If anyone would like to use the Depot for meetings, they can make arrangements with Chief Station Agent, Donna Alexander, who can be reached at ncrysunolagent@comcast.net

Sunol Septic Workgroup – There was no June meeting. The next meeting will be around July 10th, they will be going over the results from the water survey.

Sunol Fire Safe Coalition – A chipping day was held Saturday, June 17th. There will be at least one more chipping day before the end of the year, date/s are to be announced.

The Sunol Fire Safe Coalition will be doing brush clearing along Kilkare Road to reduce fire hazard. This area was identified 'high risk' by Cal Fire. Dates have not been announced yet but community members will get timely notice.

4. UPDATE ON MEDICAL CANNABIS ORDINANCE REVISIONS

Elizabeth McElligott gave a quick run-down of the changes that have a significant impact to Sunol. 6 cultivation site permits will be allowed, instead of the 4 originally proposed. Of these 6, 2 will be for indoor cultivation and 4 for mixed lights. Supervisor Haggerty would like to give preference to long-time property owners as he does not want to encourage land speculation. Distance requirements were also added.

Commander Miles voiced his concerns about public safety and quality of life.

**5. LETTER TO SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
REGARDING FORMER SUNOL GOLF COURSE – Action Item**

Member Beemiller expressed his concerns about the former Sunol golf course. A letter will be drafted and sent to the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission. Community members would like the former golf course to be turned into something aesthetically pleasing and kept up.

Neil Fujita from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission stated that he appreciates the concerns. He stated that as a manager, he will definitely consider an early mow of the property and a closer eye on maintenance.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Action Item

MAY 17, 2017 - Minutes could not be approved as there was no quorum since Member Chang was not present at said meeting.

7. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

Gabriella Christy announced that Supervisor Valle's office is looking to fill Barry Kaminsky's council seat. Member Kaminsky's term will be ending in September. She also recommends having another Brown Act presentation since there will be two new members.

ADJOURNED

Adjournment motioned by Member Chang, Seconded by Member Beemiller,
Approved 3/2 excused