

SUNOL CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

Wednesday, February 20, 2019
6:30 p.m.

SUNOL GLEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Council Member Beemiller called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members present: Connie DeGrange, Gerry Beemiller, Jordan Franco, and Rosemary Chang

Board Members excused: Nzingha Johnson

Staff present: Chris Miley, Supervisor Valle's Office; Deputy Jon Hamm, Alameda County Sheriff's Department; Edward Labayog, Community Development Agency; Rodrigo Orduno, Community Development Agency; Sondra Greene, Clerk, Board of Supervisors Office

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

Neil Davis reported that the current balance of Sunol Business Guild maintenance money is \$17,624. The next maintenance project is upgrading the town clock. Recent expenditures were supplementing middle school students' trip to Washington D.C. and new physical education equipment.

Community Member inquired about graffiti on Interstate 680 freeway entrances. Chris Miley, Supervisor Valle's office, answered that he will contact Alameda County Public Works Agency and Caltrans to determine who can clean it up.

Community Member voiced his concerns about the amount of advertisement billboards in Sunol.

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

Alameda County Sheriff's Office – Deputy Jon Hamm informed Mobile Citizens application is a great tool to use to notify Alameda County Public Works Agency about graffiti, potholes, trash, etc. Users are able to send a picture with the location through the application.

Alameda County Fire Department – No updates.

PROGRESS REPORTS (AS NECESSARY) – Informational Items:

Sunol Septic Working Group – Member DeGrange reported the last meeting was canceled.

Sunol Fire Safe Coalition – Member Chang reported the Coalition is currently seeking funding.

4. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

Chris Miley, Supervisor Valle's Office, reports that contractors have been hired to plant new trees on Main Street and will begin landscaping. Chris Miley, Supervisor Valle's Office, reported that the Altamont Corridor Express (ACE) consultant has received approval of revised plans to remove the two medians on Main Street, red curbs, and new signage to reinstate the Quiet Zone after the construction is completed. The ACE consultant will be meeting with Alameda County Public Works Agency to create a construction schedule.

Member DeGrange suggested honoring Pat Stillman for her 90th birthday.

5. DISCUSSION AND INPUT ON POTENTIAL NILES CANYON RAILWAY STEAMPUNK EVENT IN JUNE 2019

[Attachment](#)

Henry Baum, President of the Pacific Locomotive Association notified the community of the potential Niles Canyon Railway Steampunk event in June 2019, in celebration of the Transcontinental Railroad 150th anniversary. The Steampunk event is tentatively scheduled for 6/8/19 and 6/9/19.

6. FILL IMPORTING ORDINANCE – Approval of draft regulations for the importing of fill onto properties in the unincorporated areas of Alameda County

[Attachment](#)

Rodrigo Oduno, Community Development Agency (CDA), presented a staff report for the proposed fill importing ordinance. CDA is attempting to separate the amount of regulations between the rural residential zones and agricultural zones of Sunol and other areas of unincorporated Alameda County. CDA is looking to allow a certain amount of soil importing in rural residential areas through tiering systems, depending on the property size.

Member Beemiller provided a statement promoting top-soil agricultural enhancements.

**7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –
JANUARY 16, 2019**

Motion to approve by Member DeGrange, Seconded by Member Franco – Approved 4 Ayes, 1 Excused

8. ADJOURNED

Motioned by Member Beemiller, Seconded by Member DeGrange - Approved 4 Ayes, 1 Excused