

# **SUNOL CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2017**

**6:30 p.m.**

**SUNOL GLEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

## **MINUTES**

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

**Board Members Present:** Barry Kaminsky, Gerry Beemiller, Jordan Franco and Nzingha Johnson

**Board Members Excused:** Rosemary Chang

**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

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

None.

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

**Alameda County Sheriff's Office** – Deputy Hamm reported that the Sheriff's Office arrested a person on May 15<sup>th</sup> for driving with a suspended license. This person was dropping off business cards at mail boxes. It is believed that this incident may be connected to the mail theft problem that has recently occurred in Sunol and surrounding areas.

Community member Andrew Turnbull conveyed his appreciation for the Sheriff's Office, stating he has noticed a rise in their presence throughout Sunol.

**Alameda County Fire Department** – Bonnie Terra reported 28 calls for service last month, the majority were for emergency medical services. Two fire responses were made, 1 of which was a vehicle fire that resulted in an estimated \$4K loss. Bonnie urged community members to continue to cut their vegetation, starting closest to the street, as spot fires are already happening in areas of California. CalFire crews are currently conducting rounds of vegetation management inspections.

**PROGRESS REPORTS (AS NECESSARY) - Informational Items:**

**Citizen's Traffic Committee** - The stop sign issue is continuously improving. Traffic lights were proposed at the main street and at the 4 corners, but no response has been given by Caltrans.

**Niles Canyon Railway** - No report.

**Sunol Septic Workgroup** - Water sampling is underway in Sinbad Creek for the first phase of the feasibility study. A presentation will be given for the Kilkare Woods members in June. The feasibility study and the status of the septic systems in Sunol will be discussed.

**Sunol Fire Safe Coalition** - Kim Johnson reported that there was an overflow of materials at the Chipping Days held. 5 truckloads of debris were taken.

A wildfire prevention meeting was held on May 13<sup>th</sup>. The main message was clearing dead debris, which came down during winter season and will act as fuel during fire season if not managed.

A community member thanked Kim Johnson for the very successful Chipping Days. Member Kaminsky also commended Ms. Johnson for the outcome of the Wildfire Prevention meeting, stating it was very educational.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Action Item:**

April 19, 2017- Motioned by Member Beemiller, seconded by Member Kamisky, Approved 4/1 excused

**5. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS**

Council Member Beemiller stated that the old golf course has become an eyesore. He would like to see this as a discussion point on next month's Sunol Citizens' Advisory Council Agenda, so that a formal complaint can be written to the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission.

**ADJOURNED**