

# **SUNOL CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2017**

**6:30 p.m.**

**SUNOL GLEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

## **MINUTES**

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

**Board Members present:** Gerry Beemiller, Jordan Franco, Nzingha Johnson, Rosemary Chang

**Staff present:** Bonnie Terra, Alameda County Fire Department; Chris Miley, Supervisor Valle's Office; Jessica Roque, Clerk, Board of Supervisors Office

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

Henry Baum stated that the Pacific Locomotive Association parking lot gates will be installed next week. He is hopeful that the gates will eliminate vandalism in the parking lot.

Chris Miley apologized for having to cancel Sunol Clean-Up day, it has been rescheduled for 11/4/17. A postcard reminder will be sent next week. Regarding community members concerns about flooding in the park, the Public Works Agency has inspected it and determined that everything is working property. They will continue monitoring it.

Molly Barnes, Superintendent at Sunol Glenn Elementary, announced that the school raised over \$45,000 during their Walk-A-Thon. Ms. Barnes is extremely grateful for all of the support that the school receives from Sunol community members and businesses. The school will have a Halloween parade on 10/31/17. Their History Walk was cancelled and will be rescheduled.

A community member added that the group of Sunol artists working on the new banners will be putting them up in November.

- 3. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Community members inquired on the terms and asked if the rules and policies are available for them to read.

Vote to appoint Member Johnson as Chair- Motioned by Member Beemiller, Seconded by Member Franco, Approved - 4/0

Vote to appoint Member Beemiller as Vice Chair- Motioned by Member Chang, Seconded by Member Franco, Approved - 4/0

#### **4. REPORTS/UPDATES - Informational Items:**

**Alameda County Sheriff's Office** – No report provided.

**Alameda County Fire Department** – Bonnie Terra reported 40 calls for service, with the majority being for emergency related services. One call reported a vehicle fire on Interstate 680. Ms. Terra warned of temperatures heating up next week. She would like people to prepare themselves in care of any emergencies. Tomorrow is the Great Shake Out 2017.

A community member reported hearing that the hydrants installed by the San Francisco Water District did not meet Alameda County standards, and inquired whether or not that was true. He knows a homeowner who is remodeling his home and is being required to install sprinklers because of the flow of these hydrants.

Ms. Terra stated that anytime a new structure is created, sprinklers must be installed. Depending on the size of the structure, additional requirements may be implemented such as increased fire flow. She will bring the Fire Code table with her to the next meeting.

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

**Sunol Septic Working Group** – The Working Group did not meet, the contract with Questa has not been renegotiated.

**Sunol Fire Safe Coalition** – Information was shared during the presentation of item 5.

#### **5. INPUT ON COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN**

Cheryl Miller brought a draft of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan to ask the Council for support. Even though the plan has been drafted, Ms. Miller requests that community members continue to share their knowledge. Only 23 people have completed the survey, which is a low number for Sunol.

The plan's 4-step process is almost complete. They are building off the County plan to incorporate more of Sunol's needs. The Community Wildlife Protection Plan (CWPP) a national effort that has been around since 2009. It originally started so that federal dollars can actually listen to the community. There are three items that the plan must include by national standards: 1) a collaborative planning process, 2) prioritization of fuel reduction, and 3) information about the treatment of structural ignitability. The CWPP must be signed off by the local Government (Board of Supervisors), local Fire Departments and CAL FIRE. After public review ends on 10/31/17, Ms. Miller hopes to place the item on a November Board of Supervisors Agenda and she would like to get there with a SCAC letter of support. She would like to continue to get letters of support from the community as well.

Member Chang mentioned that Circle Oaks Home Owners Association in eastern Napa survived the Atlas Fire with minimal losses thanks to their extremely active Fire Safe Council. Ms. Miller mentioned that they started being a Firewise Community because of a previous loss.

A community member asked for reminders about completing the survey

A community member thanked Ms. Miller for all of her hard work.

**6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Action Item**

SEPTEMBER 20, 2017- Motioned by Member Chang, Seconded by Member Beemiller,  
Approved - 4/0

**7. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS**

Chris Miley announced that the deadline to apply for the SCAC member vacancy is  
Friday 10/27/17.

**ADJOURNED**

Motioned by Member Beemiller, Seconded by Member Franco, Approved - 4/0