

Draft
Santa Teresa Foothills Neighborhood Association (STFNA)
Board of Directors Meeting
November 8, 2007

In Attendance:

Matt Freeman-President
John Hesler-Vice-President
Rick Mandel—Treasurer
Lynne Paulson—Recording Secretary
Dave Smith—Director (part time)
Ash Kalra---Director
Andes Quintero-Proxy for
Forrest Williams

Absent:

Jacqueline Price--Director
Nancy Pyle—Director
Danielle Spreier-- Secretary & Webmaster
Forrest Williams-Director
Mike Bosworth—Legal Advisor
Eric Crane—Proxy for Nancy Pyle
Bill Erickson

Next Meetings

Thursday November 15—District 2 Greenprint Meeting, Edenvale Branch Library, 101 Branham Lane East, San Jose, CA 95117

Thursday December 13, STFNA Board to attend Open Space Authority Board Meeting (instead of holding an STFNA Board meeting), 7pm, 6830 Via del Oro, Ste 200, San Jose, CA 95119

Action Items

1. Lynne Paulson Send email address of OSA citizen's advisory contact to the STFNA Board. *(Completed 11/13/07)*
2. John Hesler Determine options for STFNA assistance with OSA staff preparation for the Dec. 13 meeting agenda item regarding potential OSA purchase of the Santa Teresa foothills 28 acre parcel. Obtain input on STFNA Board presentations at the meeting.
3. John Hesler Obtain OSA Staff Report on the agenda item prior to the Dec. 13 meeting and send it to the STFNA Board.
4. Rick Mandel Inform board after completion of collection and review of details on Curie Drive project. Request assistance from others as required.
5. Matt Freeman Send Rick Mandel information on the rental charges for the STFNA Post Office box.
6. Mike Bosworth Confirm if we can continue to reference his support for the Board as "Legal advisor".
7. John Hesler Obtain a copy of the engineering study on the trail options and send it to the STFNA Board.
8. Andres Quintero Send STFNA Board the notice regarding vacancies on the housing commission.
9. Rick Mandel Provide Dave Smith with contact information for the leader of the Santa Teresa High School Band Booster club.
10. From October 11, 2007 Board meeting: Lynne Paulson draft letter of support for Mayor Reed's green goals
11. From September 13 Board meeting (reassigned): Ash Kalra Obtain a copy of the video about Coyote Valley (Two Rivers Run Through it) and provide copies to the Board.
12. From July 12 Board Meeting: Danielle Spreier Check if there is a website already available with information on local contractors. If possible provide a link on the STFNA website.

Report on OSA Board Meeting

STFNA Board members John Hesler, Lynne Paulson and Rick Mandel attended the Open Space Authority (OSA) Board meeting this evening. John Hesler presented comments on STFNA concern regarding the San Jose City Council recommendation that the OSA consider purchase of the ~28 acre parcel of land in the Santa Teresa foothills that is adjacent to the Miracle Mt. parcel that recently obtained rezoning approval. He provided background information and urged the Board to consider the matter. The OSA Board then placed this item on the agenda for their Dec. 13 meeting. After our participation in the meeting, we established contact with Dave Poeschel who is a member of the OSA Citizen's Advisory Committee.

Lynne will send the contact information to the board (Action Item 1). John Hesler will coordinate with Patrick Congdon, OSA General Manager, to find out how to participate in the presentation and discussion at the Dec. 13 meeting. John will ask Patrick about options for STFNA Board presentations and then help identify the plans for STFNA board members to speak on various aspects of the proposal including the advantages of the trail, protection of wildlife corridor, and protection against hillside development, etc. (Action Item 2).

John will also obtain the OSA Staff report on the agenda item prior to the Dec. 13 meeting so that the STFNA Board can review it in preparation for the meeting (Action Item 3).

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Approval of the meeting minutes from the October 25 General Association meeting was postponed pending receipt of comments from Matt Freeman. Approval of the October 11 STFNA Board meeting minutes was postponed in order to obtain an updated status on the previous open action items.

Financial Report

Treasurer Rick Mandel discussed the financial report; however, he is still updating it and will provide the updated version later. This will include details on how much of the STFNA funds are allocated to the Curie Drive project. Rick is in the process of confirming the financial status of the Curie Drive project including application, agreement, original deposits. Rick will contact other board members on this if required including John, Danielle and previous board member Ron White (Action Item 4). The information will be used for a report to the agency for closeout of the project. Jacqueline is applying to use remaining funds for new project aspects. Matt will send Rick information on the PO Box Rental charges (Action Item 5).

School Community Committee

STFNA is providing representation on the Santa Teresa High School Citizens Advisory Committee. STFNA supports reasonable use of the school fields. Rick Mandel attended the last meeting. At that meeting, lights on the field were discussed as an issue.

Elections

At the October 25, 2007 STFNA General Meeting, the following Board members were elected:

- Matt Freeman
- John Hesler
- Lynne Paulson
- Rick Mandel
- Forrest Williams
- Nancy Pyle
- Dave Smith
- Ash Kalra
- Bill Erickson

According to the STFNA By-Laws, the board elects officers. The following officers were elected by a unanimous vote (with 6 board members in attendance prior to arrival of board member Dave Smith):

President: Matt Freeman

Vice President: John Hesler

Secretary: Danielle Spreier (Danielle is willing to act as Secretary until a replacement can be found)

Recording Secretary: Lynne Paulson

Treasurer: Rick Mandel

With this election of officers, it was approved that the By Laws Article 4 Section 2 was suspended in order to continue the assignment of President and Vice President beyond the 2 year time period. The board voted to continue the present leadership in order to allow further progress in achievement of current STFNA goals.

There is still one open position on the board.

Committees and appointed positions include:

Jaqueline Price—Committee on Curie Ave. Project

Danielle Spreier—Webmaster

Mike Bosworth—Legal Advisor (Mike to confirm if this role is correct as listed)

Review of Designation as 501c3 Organization

In order to determine if STFNA should register as an organization with 501c3 designation (non profit status) according to the US Internal Revenue Code, Ash Kalra will coordinate with Mike Bosworth and Mike Boulland (Friends of Santa Teresa Park) to prepare a presentation on the pros and cons for the January 2008 STFNA Board meeting (Action Item 6).

Engineering Study on the Trail

An engineering study regarding the proposed Coyote Alamitos Canal trail options has been completed by a consultant for the city as of July 31. John Hesler is obtaining a copy for the STFNA Board (Action Item 7).

UNSCC Conference

The United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County is holding its 2007 Conference on Saturday, Nov. 17, 2007. STFNA Board members should have received notices about this from UNSCC.

Housing Commission

Andres Quintero reported that there are 4 vacancies on the Housing Commission. He will send the notice to the STFNA Board so that we have more information on the scope and purpose of this commission (Action Item 8).

Best Update

Dave Smith provided an update on the project to Beautify Everything Santa Teresa (BEST). He has 2 more sponsors. He would like to identify musicians to play at the next BEST event next year. He needs assistance in getting the right contact at Santa Teresa High School on this. Rick Mandel will send Dave Smith contact information on the Band Booster leader (Action Item 9). Another option for a contact person would be Mike Reed, the activities director.

Status of Previous Action Items

Status of previous action items was reviewed as summarized below. Open items were re-assigned, revised and/ or moved to the new Action item list.

October 11 Meeting

All items were completed except Action Item 9 on the letter of support for Mayor Reed's green goals.

September 13 Meeting

All items were completed except:

- Action Item 8 on 501C3 status information
- Action Item 9 on obtaining a copy of the video about Coyote Valley

July 12, 2007 Meeting

All items were completed except for Item 13 regarding information on a website with listings of recommended local contractors.