

Santa Teresa Foothills Neighborhood Association (STFNA)
Board of Directors Meeting
September 18, 2008

Board members in Attendance:	Absent:
Matt Freeman-President	Danielle Spreier-- Secretary & Webmaster
John Hesler-Vice-President	Forrest Williams-Director
Rick Mandel—Treasurer	Nancy Pyle—Director
Lynne Paulson—Recording Secretary	Bill Erickson--Director
Andres Quintero-Proxy for Forrest Williams	Mike Bosworth—Legal Advisor
Kathy Sutherland-- Proxy for Nancy Pyle	Ash Kalra---Director
	Dave Smith--Director

Next STFNA Board Meeting

Thursday October 16 (Date may need to be changed to allow OSA executive to attend)—STFNA Board meeting, 7pm, Location: Southside Community Center.

Other Upcoming Calendar Items

Saturday September 20 11am-5pm George Page Park, Santa Teresa Blvd. at Mikyuki

Saturday October 11 8am-1pm UNSCC 2008 Conference, San Jose City College, 2100 Moorpark Ave.

TBD—possibly in last week of October 7-9pm STFNA General Meeting

Action items

1. Danielle Spreier Re-check STFNA Board group email to make sure Ash Kalra and Kathy Sutherland are receiving the emails now
2. Rick Mandel Request information from Dave Smith regarding receipts from the BEST showcase event.
3. Danielle Spreier Consider using photos of the June BEST event on the website.
4. Lynne Paulson Provide Dave Smith with a copy of the photos of the June BEST event.
5. Matt Freeman Set up meeting with Antoinette Romeo regarding the Santa Teresa County Park Historic Area Site Plan
6. John Hesler Continue to monitor Boulder Ridge Golf Course event tent proposal.
7. Matt Freeman Check on candidates to be invited to the next STFNA General meeting
8. Matt Freeman Find out if the Police Captain is available for next STFNA General meeting
9. Andres Quintero Check availability of Forrest Williams for next STFNA General Meeting --possibly Oct 28 or 29. Please inform Matt Freeman and Rick Mandel.
10. Kathy Sutherland Check availability of Nancy Pyle for next STFNA General Meeting --possibly Oct 28 or 29. Please inform Matt Freeman and Rick Mandel.
11. Rick Mandel Check availability of Southside Community Center and Sakamoto Elementary School for next STFNA General Meeting
12. Matt Freeman Send out notice to STFNA regarding UNSCC Conference to determine how many want to attend.

13. Lynne Paulson Send out information on UNSCC class on becoming a 501C3 organization. Check with Elizabeth Cord on additional info.
14. Matt Freeman Request support for Sept 20 Community Fest—STFNA table
15. Andres Quintero Contact Elizabeth Cord to make sure STFNA has a table at the Sept 20 Community Fest.
16. Matt Freeman Request that Jacqueline Price attend next Board Meeting to review grant financials
17. Matt Freeman Provide Treasurer Rick Mandel with a key to the new STFNA PO Box at the Cahalan PO.
18. John Hesler Invite Patrick Congdon, OSA, to next STFNA Board meeting to review the status of the Santa Teresa Hills study and status on parcel near Miracle Mt. Drive. Find out if STFNA Board meeting date needs to be changed.
19. Matt Freeman Send STFNA Board a copy of the letter response from the County Parks Dept. regarding Santa Teresa Park Historic Area Plan. Request meeting with Parks Dept. regarding our comments.

Introductions

STFNA Board members were introduced to new Board member, Kathy Sutherland. Kathy is Policy Analyst for Councilmember Nancy Pyle, District 10. Kathy replaces Eric Crane as STFNA Board Proxy for Nancy Pyle.

There may be an issue with the group email address for the STFNA Board. Danielle Spreier will recheck this (Action Item 1.)

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the June 19, 2008 STFNA Board meeting were approved with a vote of 5 yes and 1 abstain.

Financial Report

Rick Mandel presented the attached financial reports for the three reporting periods between May 22 and August 22, 2008 (Attachment 1). The reports were approved unanimously with the inclusion of the check amount in the July 22 report. Items not yet reflected in the status that will be included next time include:

- some receipts of membership dues.
- expenses for the printing of the newsletter are not yet reflected in the status. \$433.
- BEST Showcase receipts. Rick Mandel will ask Dave Smith to provide information on this scholarship money (Action Item 2)
- Mailing costs for sending a welcome letter to new residents as provided by Mikalya Pratt--\$49.05

The Board expressed appreciation for the volunteer work of Mikalya on behalf of STFNA.

BEST Showcase

Lynne Paulson provided photos from the June 21 event for The Beautify Everything Santa Teresa (BEST) which was a showcase of gardens, pool, patios and other features of homes in the area. Danielle may be able to add these to the website (Action Item 3). Lynne will also provide a disk to Dave Smith who led the event (Action Item 4).

Santa Teresa Park Historic Area

The proposed Santa Clara Parks Department project for development of a historic area near Curie Drive and San Ignacio Ave. was reviewed in the last Board meeting. STFNA sent a comment letter to the Parks Dept. The Parks Dept. responded but did not indicate understanding of or acceptance of STFNA comments. Matt will set up a meeting with the Parks Dept. Planner, Antoinette Romeo (Action Item 5).

Golf Course Event Tent Update

John Hesler reported on the status of the proposed Boulder Ridge Golf Course request for an outdoor event tent. STFNA joined a number of other neighborhood associations to comment on this proposal. The proposal has deficient sound level analysis. There have also been delays in implementing previous requirements on the golf course development such as tree planting. Concerns were also expressed by the City council members.

A noise consultant provided a peer review at no charge. However, he has charged ~\$1800 for costs associated with attending the Sept. Planning Commission meeting on the subject where he provided testimony. The STFNA Board approved a payment of up to \$500 for a cost share with other neighborhood groups for this work.

At the Planning Commission meeting, the decision was delayed until November at the earliest. The County will determine if a full EIR is required.

John will continue to monitor this issue (Action Item 6).

General Meeting

Discussion on the general meeting took place. It was suggested that the format should allow time for questions to be asked of the candidates for City Council, OSA and other offices. Matt will check to see how many candidates need to be informed of this meeting (Action Item 7). Matt will also check to see if the Police Captain can speak (Action Item 8). Several Board members will check Council member schedules and availability of meeting space (Action items 9-11).

There may be an option to have Alan Leventhol speak about Muwekme Ohlone history in the area of Santa Teresa Park. Lynne will hold off on setting this up until Matt determines if there will be time on the agenda for a 15 or 20 minute presentation.

Family Fandango Report

A family event was held on August 23 at Bernal Ranch at Santa Teresa Park. STFNA participated in this event with a table and children's game with support from Lynne Paulson and Rick Mandel. About 40 children visited the table and also many adults. The display and game can be used for the STFNA table at the Community Fest on Sept. 20.

UNSCC 2008 Conference

This annual United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County conference will be held on Saturday October 11 from 8am to 1pm at San Jose City College. Registration is \$10 before Oct 1 and \$15 after Oct. 1. If STFNA donates \$100 as a Neighborhood Leader, we can send up to 20 individuals to attend without additional cost. Matt will send out a notice to members to see how many would like to attend and then decide if STFNA will fund as a sponsor (Action Item 12).

UNSCC Class on The Basics of Becoming a 501 C3 Organization

Lynne Paulson attended this class on August 27 and will send out information to the Board (Action Item 13). Lynne will also contact Elizabeth Cord on any additional information.

Community Fest

STFNA will participate in the Sept 20 Community Fest. Matt Freeman will attend and will request additional STFNA support (Action Item 14). Andres Quintero will contact Elizabeth Cord to make sure STFNA has a table (Action Item 15).

Status of Action items from 6/19/08 Board meeting

1. Rick Mandel: Keep in touch with Jacqueline Price about the original documentation for the \$1545 grant *Rick has been in contact with Jacqueline. The grant financials are to be discussed at next Board Meeting*
2. Danielle Spreier: Continue to track Cahalan PO box *Danielle has opened a new STFNA PO Box at the Cahalan PO and is checking it for STFNA mail. Matt continues to check the old box at Bernal. Rick Mandel will also be given a key to the new PO Box.*
3. John Hesler: Obtain update on status of OSA negotiations on parcel in the foothills near Miracle Mt. Drive *John has been in contact with Patrick Congdon and we will invite him to the next Board meeting.*
4. Lynne Paulson: Keep STFNA apprised of the Neighborhood Development Commission activities *As reported in last Board meeting, commissioners were selected for recommendation to the City Council for approval for both Districts 2 and 10. There has been a delay in seating the Commissioners.*
5. Matt Freeman Add information on scholarship offer from Circle of Neighbors for the email that is sent out to remind STFNA members about the BEST Showcase event. *Completed*
6. Lynne Paulson Draft letter on Santa Teresa Park project for STFNA Board review *Completed draft and Matt Freeman incorporated comments and sent letter out.*
7. Lynne Paulson Attend UNSCC risk management class *Completed 6/25/08. Summary sent to Board on 9/17/08.*

Submitted by Lynne Paulson, Recording Secretary
Minutes approved at 10/23/08 Board Meeting

STFNA
Monthly Budget Report
May 22, 2008 – June 23, 2008

May 22 beginning balance **\$**
5,894.61

Deposits and Credits
none

Withdrawals & Debits
none

June 23 ending balance **\$ 5,894.61**

Notes:

Earmarked for Curie Parkstrip Beautification Project (grant – Jaqueline Price contact) \$ 1295.00

STFNA
Monthly Budget Report
June 23, 2008 – July 23, 2008

June 23 beginning balance **\$**
5,894.61

Deposits and Credits
none

Withdrawals & Debits
none

July 23 ending balance **\$ 5,894.61**

Notes:

Earmarked for Curie Parkstrip Beautification Project (grant – Jaqueline Price contact) \$ 1295.00

STFNA
Monthly Budget Report
July 23, 2008 – August 22, 2008

July 23 beginning balance **\$**
5,894.61

Deposits and Credits
none

Withdrawals & Debits
Check #1074 (UNSCC annual membership dues) \$ 200.00

August 22 ending balance **\$ 5,694.61**

Notes:
Earmarked for Curie Parkstrip Beautification Project (grant – Jaqueline Price contact) \$ 1295.00