Minutes, General Board Meeting

Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council Wednesday, July 12, 2023

Apperson Elementary School

- 1. Call to Order, Welcome Lydia Grant, President @6:15pm
- 2. Installation of the 2023-2025 General Board & Recognition of Outgoing Board State Senator Anthony Portantino
- 3. STNC President's Updates
 - A. STNC In Person Board & Committee Meeting currently in person; goal to have (minimally) Committee meetings via zoom
 - B. Announcement of Board Vacancy and Vacant Board Seats Shauna Scanlon, Vice President Outreach and D. Jake Huntsman, Region 3 have resigned. Also one Region 4 Representative seat is vacant. Therefore we have three openings on the board: Vice President Outreach, one Region 3 position and one Region 4 position. STNC website has the application to apply and submit by July 24 if interested.
 - C. Status of STNC Board approved Light Pole Banners CD7 representative Ricardo Flores said he would give update during his reports but he did not.
 - D. SB411 (Portantino) regarding NC meetings on Zoom addressed by Senator Portantino in opening remarks.
 - E. 4th of July Parade great success with thanks to the Rotary Club.
 - F. A LUC Special Meeting Presentation with CA Dept of Insurance "Safer from Wildfires making insurance available and affordable" will be July 17 @ 7 PM In person & Zoom
 - G. A LUC Special Presentation "Mosquito Forum" by Greater LA County Vector Control will be on July 22 @ 11am - In person & Zoom
 - H. National Night Out is 8/1/23 at Little Landers Park everyone is welcome
 - I. Backpack Event with Making It Happen 8/2/23 @ NVCH

4. Roll Call, Voting Eligibility

- A. Completion of City / DONE Required trainings status for the STNC board Two people ineligible for voting on funding issues.
- B. Announce any Board member recusals or paid lobbyists in attendance none

Board Member	Roll Call	Funding Voting Eligibility	Board Appointment
Lydia Grant	Present	Yes	President
Lallah Rowe	Present	Yes	First Vice-President
Shauna Scanlon	RESIGNED	Yes	Second Vice President
Carol Hutchinson	Present	Yes	Treasurer
Cindy Cleghorn	Present	Yes	Corresponding Secretary
Karen Moran	Present	Yes	Recording Secretary
Leny Freeman	Present	Yes	Region 1
KT Travers	Present	Yes	Region 1 - arrived @
Sherry McCoy	Present	Yes	Region 2
Mapuana Moran	Present	Yes	Region 2
Michael Gaglio	Present	Yes	Region 3

D. Jake Huntsman	RESIGNED	Yes	Region 3
Jon von Gunten	Present	Yes	Region 3
Belinda Woodruff	Absent	Yes	Region 4
Trevor Schmidt	Present	No	Region 4
Mark Seigel	Absent	Yes	Region 4
Vacant	Vacant	Yes	Region 4
Chris Rowe	Present	Yes	Education Representative
Cheryl Schmidt	Present	Yes	Public Safety Representative
Nina Royal	Present	Yes	Senior Representative
Vartan Keshish	Present	No	Community Interest Representative - arrived @
Quorum: 11 16 present at roll call			

5. Pledge of Allegiance – Leny Freeman

6. Comments: LAPD, Elected Officials/Representatives, DONE, City Departments – Officer Godoy; Certificates of Appreciation to Ed Babakhanian by Senator Menjivar District -Rep James Roy, LA County Supervisor's Office (Karhryn Barger) – Natalie Vartanian, and the Office of CA Assembly Member Laura Friedman (District 44) – Christopher John Khachadour. Additional comments by James Roy; Natalie Vartanian; Raul Preciado and City Council Senior Rep Ricardo Flores.

7. Motion to Reconsider last month's votes regarding Land Use Committee recommendations for:

Item 7. Motion to reconsider June 2023 vote regarding Land Use Committee recommendations for 7921 W Denivelle Road and 6125, 6127, 6142 Sister Elsie Drive

Motion: Cleghorn, Second: L Rowe

Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Hutchinson, Cleghorn, K. Moran, Freeman, Travers, McCoy, M Moran, T Schmidt, C Rowe 11 yes, 3 no, 2 abstain, 2 absent	Goglio, Von Gunten, Royal		Keshish, C Schmidt		Woodruff, Seigel

A. 7921 W Denivelle Road, Tujunga a. ZA-2022-8791-ZAD-HCA and ENV-2022-8792-EAF

- zone RE40-1 - Support New Single Family dwelling w/attached garage and ADU to be approved under ministerial process, on a substandard limited hillside Street with a width of less than 20 feet.

Item 7A. Motion to Support New Single Family dwelling w/attached garage and ADU to be approved under ministerial process, on a substandard limited hillside Street with a width of less than 20 feet; 7921 W Denivelle Road, Tujunga a. ZA-2022-8791-ZAD-HCA and ENV-2022-8792-EAF – zone RE40-1.

Motion: Grant, Second: Rowe

Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Hutchinson, Cleghorn, K Moran, Freeman, McCoy, M Moran, Goglio, Von Gunten, T Schmidt, C Rowe, Royal, Keshish 14 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain, 2 absent	Travers		C Schmidt		Woodruff, Seigel

B. 6125. 6127, 6141 Sister Elsie Dr, Tujunga - Support Single Family residence w/attached garage on RE40-1 zone substandard limited hillside street with width less than 20 feet.

Item 7B. Motion to Support Single Family residence w/attached garage on RE40-1 zone substandard limited hillside street with width less than 20 feet; 6125. 6127, 6141 Sister Elsie Dr, Tujunga

Motion: Cleghorn, Second: Grant

Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Hutchinson, Cleghorn, K Moran, Freeman, Goglio, Von Gunten, T Schmidt, C Rowe, Royal, Keshish 12 yes, 2 no, 2 abstain, 2 absent	Travers, McCoy		M Moran, C Schmidt		Woodruff, Seigel

7:43 pm - meeting temporarily recessed to begin the Special General Board meeting. Meeting resumed 8pm

8. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS (FUNDING) - Note: Consent calendar items are considered to be non-controversial and will be treated as one agenda item. Any Board member or stakeholder may request that an item be removed. There will be no discussion of these items unless an item is removed from the consent calendar, in which case it will go to the end of New Business and be considered as time allows. MOTION: The STNC Board approves the funding consent calendar:

A. Discussion/Action: Approve June MER [Budget Committee approved 7/5/23]

B. Discussion/Action: Approve up to \$3,000 for National Night Out expenses/ sponsorship to include social media promotion. [Budget Committee approved 7/5/23]

Item 8A & 8B. Motion for the STNC (approve June MER) and B (approv include social media promotion). Motion: Ryal; Second: L Rowe								
Yes No Ineligible Abstain Recuse Absent								

Grant, L Rowe, Hutcinson, Cleghorn, K Moran, Freeman, McCoy, Goglio, C Rowe, C Schmidt, Royal	Travers	T Schmidt, Keshish, M Moran	Von Gunten	Woodruff, Seigel
11 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain, 2 absent, 3 ineigible				

Mapi Moran left the meeting at 8:45 pm

C. Discussion/Action: Approve up to \$425 for Beautification Committee T-Shirts [Budget Committee approved 7/5/23]

Item 8C. Motion for the STNC Board to approve the funding consent calendar item (C) for up to \$425 for Beautification Committee T-Shirts with City Seal on them

Motion: Grant; Second: C Schmidt

Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Hutchinson, Cleghorn, K Moran, Freeman, Travers, McCoy, Goglio, C Rowe, C Schmidt 11 yes, 2 abstain, 3 absent, 2 ineligible		T Schmidt, Keshish,	Von Gunten, Royal		Woodruff, Seigel, M Moran

9. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS (NON-FUNDING) - Note: Consent calendar items are considered to be non-controversial and will be treated as one agenda item. Any Board member or stakeholder may request that an item be removed. There will be no discussion of these items unless an item is removed from the consent calendar, in which case it will go to the end of New Business and be considered as time allows. MOTION: The STNC Board approves the non-funding consent calendar:

A. Approve meeting dates at Apperson Elementary for July, August, September - 2nd Wednesdays for board meetings and 4th Wednesdays for Executive & Budget Committees.

B. Approve Ad Hoc Committee regarding STNC inventory including recommendations for items to go to City salvage with Sandy Capps, Chair.

C. Approve CIS Filers: Karen Moran, Carol Hutchinson, Cindy Cleghorn

D. Approve letter to Mission College regarding closure of the Sunland-Tujunga campus and loss to community of Measure J funding. **Item postponed.**

E. Approve letter regarding NVMI Campus space.

F. Approve letter to City Attorney regarding STNC meeting space.

G. Approve Position Statement Requesting that the Los Angeles County Civil Grand Jury Open an Inquiry Into Countywide Evacuation Readiness and Evacuation / Emergency Ingress Limitations

H. Approve letter regarding No Canyon Hills

Items (consent) 9 A. B. C. E. F. G. H. I. Motion for the STNC Board to approve the non-funding consent calendar with the exception of Item (D) which was postponed.

Motion: L Rowe, Second: C Schmidt

Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Hutchinson, Cleghorn, K Moran, Freeman, McCoy, Goglio, T Schmidt, C Rowe, C Schmidt, Royal, Keshish 13 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain, 5 absent	Travers		Von Gunten	XS	Scanlon, Huntsman, Woodruff, Seigel, M Moran

15. Committee & Liaison Reports - by committee chairs present

- A. Budget & Finance Carol Hutchinson, Chair Ed Babakhanian, thank you to the Committee.
- B. Land Use meeting at Elks Pati, meetings at Elk's Lodge monthly on 3rd Monday until further notice.
- C. STAT Will meet at the Library, 4th Tuesday
- D. STARC will meet at Bolton Hall, 4th Tuesday
- E. Community Improvement & Government Affairs will meet at McDonalds, 3rd Tuesday, 10am
- F. Outreach: Meeting location NVCH requested 7/27 @ 3 PM to be confirmed
- G. Youth & Adult Education will meet at McDonalds, 3rd Thursday, 7pm
- H. Beautification will meet at Library, 3rd Thursday, 5:30pm
- I. Liaison Reports: LANCC / VANC /Budget Advocates /Other Lydia Grant and Cindy Cleghorn gave updates
- J. Ad Hoc Bylaws / Standing Rules
- K. Other Cindy Cleghorn commented on the Presentation by the Planning Department, budget report on City website, Land Use Committee

16. PRESENTATION & TRAINING on the Neighborhood Council (NC) System

- A. Date & Location for Board Strategic Planning Meeting in August Cindy Cleghorn commented that dates for strategic planning training will be proposed; need Committee Chairs to meet soon, all have to sign the Code of Conduct; invitation to STNC Committee Chairs to attend next Executive Committee meeting.
- B. Bylaws, Standing Rules, BONC Policies, Brown Act (Meeting Agenda Posting, ENS)
- C. NC Meetings: Agenda Items, Presenters, Meeting Agendas, Making Motions, Community Impact Statements
- D. NC Alliances, STNC Community Events/Meetings, Other Training Opportunities

17. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – two stakeholders gave comments including Alex Balekian.

18. FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS – Nina Royal (and I couldn't understand Nina either)

19. ADJOURN 9pm