

SUNLAND-TUJUNGA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Special Outreach Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 16th, 7:30pm

This meeting is being held by the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council using teleconferencing pursuant to Government Code Section 54953.8(a)(2)(B).

1. **Call to Order, Welcome** - Ross Herman, Vice President, 7:33pm
2. **Roll Call** - Karen Moran, Recording Secretary.
 - A. Present: Ross Herman, Cheryl Schmidt, Leny Freeman, Karen Moran, Mark Siegel, Sherry McCoy; also Cindy Cleghorn, Lionel Mares, Nina Royal.
3. **Public Comments: Non-agenda items under the committee's jurisdiction.**
 - A. Cheryl: May 21, 10:30am, Joselito's, Taco with a Cop
 - B. Mark: Every year ham radio. Operators have a "Field Day" June 22/23 this year - 10am Saturday to 10am on Sunday, 24 hours. This exercise helps to improve in order to be more effective in an emergency. Cindy noted that Mark teaches Ham Radio as an instructor.
 - C. Cindy: June 5th, City Budget day. Registration info is out and Cindy can forward to anyone interested. Also June 12th is next STNC Board Meeting.
 - D. Per Cindy, Mark is a member of Outreach because he is a Region 4 Rep. A vote is not needed for Region Reps to be Outreach Board members; they should be Outreach Board members.
 - E. Cindy: participation in the Disaster Preparedness Simulation on Saturday is encouraged even if not in an official STNC capacity.
4. **Approve/Review, April 22nd, 2024 Outreach Committee Meeting minutes** - Karen Moran. April 25, 2024 minutes reviewed and approved by all.
5. **Discussion/Possible Action: Upcoming Outreach Events & Budgets**
 - A. June 22nd (Saturday) Movie Night
 - Per Ross, the movie choice is TOY STORY. Paperwork is being processed at this time. Ross asked for volunteers for setup and tear down in the range of 6:30pm to 10pm. Cheryl volunteered and can pass out flyers if available.
 - B. 4th of July (Thursday)
 - Per Cheryl, the truck won't be available from last year. Lydia mentioned to Cheryl that she could get a truck. Hay bales might not be used however;

Cheryl said that someone would have to coordinate getting the haybales and pay for them.

- Cheryl noted that water balloons continue to be a challenge; last year they used bats to return the volley back and neutralize the problem. Sherry asked if LAPD could ride with us; Mark said they would be on vehicles/ motorcycles along-side of us. Using shields of some type might be a good way to provide protection from the water balloons which can cause injury.
- Cheryl noted. We have plenty of 4th of July decorations. From past years.
- Cheryl and Leny volunteered to help (decorate the truck, etc.). Cheryl said that STNC will meet at Caruso's and learn what our position is to join in; paperwork is being submitted at this time to join the parade. Meetings to discuss the parade are on going to be Tuesday nights at Caruso's. Cindy will send info about when and where the next meetings are so Ross can attend.

C. National Night Out August 6th 6-9pm (Tuesday)

- Ross asked if anyone had a list of what is needed for this event; Cheryl said she hasn't. seen a formal list. Cindy has a list. Cheryl said there are a lot of volunteers that can be assigned tasks in real-time. The Outreach table will need volunteers; Ross will be at the table. Leny noted that the Elks is historically very involved. Mark commented that the Elks charter has been pulled, however, and doesn't know if they can help unless on a personal level. Cheryl said Lenny and Maurice will do the barbeque again and that we need some new banners to replace the old ones; some are in storage and those should go to Cindy to put the correct date on them.
- Mark said he could help with National Night out.
- Nina is working to have the street closed (Samoa/Bama) and meeting with Chief Joy.
- Ross and Nina will go to the STNC storage unit to see how many banners are available and determine how many need to be ordered.
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6. Discussion/Possible Action: Committee Outreach Materials

- STARC Bus Benches – the artwork is being revised and available next month
- Events budgets (Third Thursday); Outreach Meetings:
 - June 20th, 2024
 - July 18th , 2024
- Create STAT Logo with Pat/Mapi/Lallah/Cindy/Lydia – Ross will cover
- Update from STAT Tree Watering Event. Ross: we did around 70 trees, mulch still available and can be dispersed to the trees. Pat can keep some extra mulch for future use. Pat looking for volunteers to get rid of mulch with the goal of having it gone this weekend.

7. Discussion/Possible Action: April/May/June Upcoming Events

- Upcoming Town Halls
 - Meet the new Chief Planning.
 - Our Neighborhood Voices.
 - Land Use Planning.
 - Community Budget Spending. (May 29th. Exec. Meeting & Townhall)
 - Back to School. Meet Principals, what programs are offered, etc.
- Planning – The STNC website will have the meetings, news
- Newsletter - To be released by Sunday, May 26th, prior to the Board meeting
- Cheryl asked about Pat Kramer's Town Hall on Traffic Safety, planned for June 15th from 9:30am to 12:30pm. Officer Venagas and one of the SLOS will be there. Pat is working. with Ricardo on the forms at this time. Outreach will plan to have a table at the event.

8. Region Rep Updates / Filling Board Vacancy - Region 4 & Committee closing announcements by Ross:

- A. A Region 4 is still needed.
- B. Disaster Preparedness Evacuation Simulation is this Saturday, May 18th, from 10am-2pm at Lakeview Terrace; people are encouraged to attend
- C. Passing of the Laurels where KT Travers is inducted as the new Poet Laureate will be Sunday, May 19th, at McGroarty Arts Center from 3-5pm; people are encouraged to attend.

9. Future Agenda Items – no additional discussion

10. Adjourn. 8:28pm