

Santa Teresa Foothills Neighborhood Association (STFNA)
Board of Directors Meeting
March 27, 2003

Attendance

Board members John Hesler, Matt Freeman, Lynne Paulson and Marlene Wilde were in attendance. All other Board members were absent.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of importance is the SCC Parks Department meeting on the Trail Feasibility Study to be held on Wed., April 23 at Sakamoto school. John Hesler will provide details on the exact evening time. In addition, the Board may hold additional meetings, if needed for meeting and communications planning purposes related to current activities.

Current Action Items

1. Lynne Paulson Contact OSA Community Advisory Committee representative for Trails regarding the proposed subdivision in the Santa Teresa Hills and on April 23 trail meeting.
2. John Hesler Inform the Board of the time for the April 23 meeting on the Trail Feasibility Study.
3. John Hesler Draft article for Blossom Valley and Santa Teresa Times and provide to Lynne on Monday March 31 so she can submit it by the Wed. April 2 deadline.
4. John Hesler Ask Gary Ogan to contact Almaden Valley Neighborhood Association regarding support for the trail.
5. John Hesler Contact Walk San Jose as well as Santa Teresa Citizens Action Committee regarding support for the trail.
6. Lynne Paulson Contact Santa Teresa High School athletic director regarding meeting on the trail.
7. Lynne Paulson Attend next meeting of Friends of Santa Teresa Park and request support for meeting on the trail.
8. Matt Freeman Attend next meeting of Almaden Cycling Touring Club and request support for the trail.
9. John Hesler/Danielle Spreier Draft email communication on the Association and the trail to be distributed to the Association members and households in Association territory.
10. All Send any missing input for Association newsletter to John Hesler within a few days.
11. Lynne Paulson Complete plans for next park cleanup event.
12. John Hesler Contact Mike Bosworth regarding his offer to help print and fold the newsletter.
13. Matt Freeman Discuss plans for newsletter with Danielle Spreier who had offered to help with the layout.

14. Matt Freeman If possible, find out how to check the addresses in the Association territory to avoid Post Office fees for incorrect address labels.
15. Marlene Wilde Submit annual fees and other forms to United Neighborhoods Of Santa Clara County.

Agenda Items

Financial Report

Financial report (Attachment 1) for February was provided by Marlene Wilde.

Coyote-Alamitos Canal Trail Status

John Hesler reported that the Santa Clara County Parks Dept. will hold an evening meeting on Wed. April 23 to discuss the Feasibility Study on the trail.

Newsletter

Plans for the newsletter were discussed and the target plan was identified. The newsletter will be drafted and mailed to the Association territory prior to the public trail meeting. Target mailing date is no later than April 7.

Topics will include:

- Trail (including upcoming April 23 meeting)—John Hesler
- Adopt-a-Park Lynne Paulson
- Membership Form (same as before with added note that membership is due at the beginning of each calendar year)
- Open Space—purchase of Pyzak property near Santa Teresa Park by the City and County.
- Banner at Firehouse—Cheryl Ogan
- Names of streets—Snell Gary Ogan
- Coyote-Alamitos Canal history—from SCVWD website

Publicity

Further publicity related to the Association and the trail meeting will be provided as listed in the action items above. In addition, in the coming weeks, Board members may be requested to phone Association members that do not have an email address.

Proposed Application for Subdivision Project in Santa Teresa Foothills

There is a 2 lot subdivision proposed for a parcel in the Santa Teresa Foothills at the end of Snell. The STFNA sent a letter with our concerns to the County and OSA. These concerns include preservation of open space and wildlife habitat, access to the Coyote-Alamitos Canal Trail, and enforcement of implementation requirements on the project. This letter of objection requires the County to respond to us and also requests that they inform us of any meetings on the application.

Anthony, who handles land use issues for City Council member Forrest Williams is communicating with Rachel Gibson who has a similar position with County Supervisor Don Gage's office. John Hesler will also be in contact with her.

Forrest and John have also communicated concerns to the Open Space Authority including Alex Kennett, Patrick Congdon and a planner.

John Hesler looked at the detail submittal on the application and noted that the subdivision could allow an additional home to be built on the property plus 3 additional homes.

Adopt-a-Park and Cleanup Activities

Lynne Paulson sent a request to City Council member Pat Dando's office regarding improvements to Foothills Park. The email requested repairs to the solar sprinkler controller and a bench. A representative of Pat Dando's office called to discuss it and will followup with the Parks Department.

The next cleanup events will be held as follows:

April 26—Century Oaks Park --Snell and Colleen location—weed cleanup, trash pickup, check sprinklers

May—Santa Teresa High School

June—Century Oaks Park---Didion and Curie location—major trash and concrete cleanup, possible planting