

**Mission Canyon Association**  
**MINUTES**  
**February 4, 2020 7:30 p.m.**

**Minutes by Kevin Snow**

1. Meeting called to order by Jason Saltoun-Ebin:
  - 1.1 Board Members Present: Jason Saltoun-Ebin, Laurie Guitteau, Erika Sharghi, Darby Feldwinn, Karl Hutterer, Ray Smith, , Alex Feldwinn, Kevin Snow, , Sandy Robertson, Nancy Weiss
  - 1.2 Board Members Absent: Jean Yamamura, Kellum de Forest, Hugh Twibell
  - 1.3 Guests: Luke Swetland, Steve Windhager, Das Williams, Kadie McShirley, Michael Corrigan, Jeffrey Doornbas, Ken Dunkley
2. Minutes of January 7, 2020 meeting approved.
  - 1<sup>st</sup>: Karl Hutterer
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Erika Sharghi
  - Abstained:
3. Treasurer's report: no report this month
4. Old Business
  - 4.1 Museum of Natural History update (Luke)

On February 5 the first Native American Poet Laureate Jay Hargo will give readings in Fleischman Hall.
  - 4.2 Botanic Garden update (Steve)

The pull-out on Mission Canyon Road will be re-landscaped without boulders; the Garden is gearing up for the Beer Garden Festival, which is sold out. Focus will be on crowd control as 400+ expected.
  - 4.3 Meeting with Das Williams

See 5.2 below
  - 4.4 Efforts to add Verizon service to the Canyon

Sandy reported that Verizon sent a team to look at a possible site in the Garden's upper parking lot.
  - 4.5 Historic Bridge/Mission Heritage Trail Association

Erika reported Santa Barbara chapter of the American Institute of Architects awarded local architects Fred Sweeney and Tom Jacobs the 2019 Merit Award for their work on the Mission Canyon Road corridor from Laguna Street to Foothill Road
  - 4.6 Insurance update

No update.
5. New Business
  - 5.1 Update on Arriba Way ADU issue

Jeff Doornbas reviewed in detail the history of 2 approved ADU's, together with numerous findings associated with illegal grading, faulty project plans and survey, stop work orders from the City, and a criminal complaint in process. Due to negative impacts on neighboring properties and ongoing problems, Doorndas is seeking from Mission Canyon Association support for requesting that the City Building Department formally

revoke permits issued earlier. Doorndas was asked to provide a statement from which the MCA board could follow up with a letter to City agencies and as a basis for inclusion in the MCA newsletter.

#### 5.2 Q & A with Supervisor Das Williams

Das reviewed steps SoCal Edison is taking to remove debris from a contractor's over-zealous road widening of upper Tunnel Road along Mission Creek. Though questions remain just how boulders and debris will be removed, assurance was given that a longer term restoration plan is in the works. MCA recommends consistent onsite supervision.

Das also reported that numerous City and County jurisdictions around the state have joined together under Monterey Bay Community Power (MBCP) to provide a carbon-free power mix for these joint jurisdictions. Residents will be receiving a notice from MBCP soon offering residents the choice of staying with MBCP and using renewable energy, or "opting out" by continuing to be served by Southern California Edison. Public education will be required so that residents understand the total use of energy on the grid and where it comes from (renewable and non-renewable.) MBCP member jurisdictions partaking in Community Choice Energy will also serve as a resource to help scale local energy programs for the needs of the Central Coast's key industries such as agriculture, tourism, hospitality, healthcare, education, and government.

#### 5.3 Annual Meeting update

Annual Meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2020. Brett Olson scheduled to speak on how to economically harden one's house for fire protection, but it was also agreed that, if available, Das should speak regarding the cost/benefit of the MBCP plan above.

### 6. Additional Committee Reports

#### 6.1 Mission Heritage Trail Association/Safe Passage (Ericka Sharghi)

See section 4.5 above.

#### 6.2 Newsletter (Jean Yamamura)

(Nothing discussed)

#### 6.3 Architectural Design Review (Hugh Twibell)

(Nothing discussed)

#### 6.4 Parking & Traffic (Jason Saltoun-Ebin)

(Nothing discussed)

#### 6.5 Land Use Committee (Kevin Snow)

(Nothing discussed)

#### 6.6 Membership (Laurie Guitteau)

Newsletter will be going out soon

#### 6.7 Fire Committee (Ray Smith)

Ray noted that we will have a brush clearance day with support from County Fire in the first week of June. The City wants someone from MCA to help upgrade the Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

#### 6.8 Website (Alex Feldwinn)

(Nothing discussed)

Next Board Meeting: March 10, 2020.