

Mission Canyon Association
MINUTES
1/4/22, 7:30 p.m.

Minutes by Kevin Snow

1. Call to order & introductions (Jason Saltoun-Ebin)
 - 1.1. Board Members Present: Hugh Twibell, Jason Saltoun-Ebin, Kevin Snow, Nancy Weiss, Ray Smith and Seldon Edner
 - 1.2. Board Members Absent: Jean Yamamura, Darby Feldwinn, Laurie Guitteau, Alex Felwinn, Erika Sharghi
 - 1.3. Guests: Luke Swetland, Steve Windhager, Kadie McShirley

2. Minutes of December Meeting Not Approved: No Quorum
 - 1st: N/A
 - 2nd: N/A

3. County Update: Supervisor Das Williams/Kadie McShirley
No recent meetings; the office will look into alternative enforcement of 1200 Tunnel Rd permit violations and confirm the status of the County position on the St Mary's project.

4. Museum of Natural History Update: Luke Swetland
Anticipate returning to a quiet level of attendance during the week and average attendance on weekends. School group visits will be on site 2 – 3 mornings per week; SBCC Astronomy students on site 4 evenings/week.
We remain open 6 days per week – Wed. through Mon., 10:00– 5:00.

5. Botanic Garden Update: Steve Windhager
Year end attendance was 120K (10K more than CUP allows. P&D considering temporary approval going forward.
Beer Garden Fest will be April 2
Seasonal decrease in attendance but the Garden expects more going forward and will explore “time-ticketing.”
A new Children's Garden was made using rocks from Montecito and from downed trees. Opening planned in June.
Rain totals were 11 inches in December with some erosion damage.
A possible pedestrian trail down to the Fire Station is being explored along with parking, pedestrian and traffic improvements.

6. Treasurer's report (if needed): Erika Sharghi
We started with \$42,250 and ended with \$38,831. We received \$420. We spent \$3839 on Mutt Mitts, Marborg services, and SCE Appeal and consulting services.
 - 1st:
 - 2nd:Not Approved: No Quorum

7. New Business: None
8. Committee Reports
 - 8.1. Mission Canyon Brush Cleanup and Chipping: Ray Smith
 - No update; Ray is working with Seldon re fire issues
 - 8.2. Newsletter (Jean Yamamura)
 - N/A
 - 8.3. Architectural Design Review: Hugh Twibell
 - 1453 Orange Grove project will be heard at BAR Jan 7.
 - 8.4. Parking & Traffic: Jason Saltoun-Ebin
 - N/A
 - 8.5. Land Use Committee: Kevin Snow
 - N/A
 - 8.6. Membership: Laurie Guitteau
 - N/A
 - 8.7. Fire Committee: Ray Smith and Selden Edner
 - See 8.1
 - 8.8. Website: Alex Feldwinn
 - N/A
 - 8.9. Tunnel Trail Working Group: Nancy Weiss/Selden Edner
 - Some storm related work is occurring; Nancy is monitoring drainage concerns and maintenance.
 - No hearing yet set at the Planning Commission on the SCE appeal.
 - Funding agreement re: upper Tunnel Rd improvements is moving forward.
 - MCA paid ½ of the fee for issuing a letter making clear what MCA is asking for re: Mission Creek impairment/restoration.
 - Mission Canyon Collaboration group met in December to ensure the clean up adds value to our habitat, not just move rocks and dirt.
 - 8.10. MHTA/Historic Bridge Update
 - N/A

Next Board Meeting: 7:30 pm on February 1, 2021, via Zoom