

**Mission Canyon Association
MINUTES**

12/6/22, 7:30 p.m.

Minutes by Alex Feldwinn

1. Call to order & introductions (Jason Saltoun-Ebin)
 - 1.1. Board Members Present: Alex Feldwinn, Darby Feldwinn, Hugh Twibell, Hutch Axilrod, Jason Saltoun-Ebin, Nancy Weiss, and Seldon Edner
 - 1.2. Board Members Absent: Erika Sharghi, Gustave Agredano, Jean Yamamura, Kevin Snow
 - 1.3. Guests: Kadie McShirley, Marc Chytilo, Keith Nevison, Ray Smith

2. Minutes of October Meeting Approved (No November Meeting)
 - 1st: Darby
 - 2nd: Selden5 Approved / 1 Abstain (Nancy Weiss)

3. County Update: Supervisor Das Williams/Kadie McShirley
County master plan workshop Thursday at 5pm

Current SBC District 1 Commissioner Vacancies:

- County Riding and Hiking Trails Advisory Committee
- Air Pollution Control District Community Advisory Council
- Human Services Commission

Registration link for the Rec Master Plan Workshop this Thursday at 5:00 pm:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/parks-recreation-and-trails-planning-virtual-workshop-tickets-477590003557>

County Fish and Game Commissions might also have a vacancy. It might be nice to have someone from Mission Canyon on it. They are getting some money from a settlement from SCE and they will be distributing it to different projects.

4. Museum of Natural History Update: Luke Swetland
*Afraid I am going to miss tonight's MCA Board meeting again.
I get to be at a Holiday event as the +1 for my wife.*

*At the Museum, we are looking forward to steady visitation over the holidays.
Both the Curtis show and the Owls show we have up are fantastic and I hope everyone gets a chance to visit in the coming month.*

5. Botanic Garden Update: Keith Nevison
A letter went out to the board stating that they thought they would be a couple thousand over their cup. The MCA board gave approval for this. The rain has helped these numbers come down. But they will still be over a little. They will subtract these from next year.
Time Ticketing has been a real plus.

BackCountry updates, wrapping up building the composting toilet.
Will have wireless access in that area.

They will have a card access reader at Tunnel Road so that people could use a card to get in and out. Another possibility is to hold up your phone up and scan it at a reader.

Had some pine trees with bark beetles and so they removed them to try to stop the spread.

They are also doing some trail work between Tunnel and Mission Canyon road. They are trying to make a pedestrian/bike pathway. The hope is that it will connect Rockwood Women Club (or fire station) and end at the Botanic Garden. They will need to put in a bridge over Mission Canyon to do this and they do not have funding for this yet.

Some upcoming activities are: beer garden (March 11), birding classes, nature arts and crafts weekend (Dec 17-18), free senior day (wed 14), art show (two Swedish artists who have used invasive plants to dye wool and make art), oak presentation (this thursday from 3-5:30)

Keith is most likely going to take over for Steve permanently in MCA meetings

6. Treasurer's Report: N/A

7. New Business

Jen Jones is moving and will not be able to do the Mutt Mitts anymore. Seldon is going to talk to Barbara Lindeman to see if they could form a comight be able to do it as committee (Mutt Mitts)

7.1. Update on the appeal of SCE permit to continue remediation work on Tunnel Trail

- Executive session
- Motion: \$1,500 to pay part of bringing pacific watershed out to evaluate the area damaged by SCE (contingent on Friends of Mission Canyon matching our funds.
- 1st Jason Saltoun-Ebin
- 2nd Seldon Edner
 - Approved unanimously

8. Committee Reports

8.1. Mission Canyon Brush Cleanup and Chipping:

- Change in the chipping program. No longer depending on the Fire Department. Fire Safe Council will be funding private tree contactors to do the chipping. Will come on a specific date.
- Hoping to expand into larger parts of the canyon.

8.2. Newsletter: Jean Yamamura

- N/A

8.3. Architectural Design Review: Hugh Twibell

- N/A
- 8.4. Parking & Traffic: Jason Saltoun-Ebin
 - N/A
- 8.5. Land Use Committee: Kevin Snow
 - N/A
- 8.6. Membership:
 - N/A
- 8.7. Fire Committee: Ray Smith and Selden Edner
 - Fire wise committees are moving forward and they will keep us informed. Most of the Canyon will be covered by a fire-wise group soon. Seldon was able to get a discount on his insurance by \$500 because of this.
 - Might be nice to put something in a newsletter about this.
- 8.8. Website: Alex Feldwinn
 - N/A
- 8.9. Tunnel Trail Working Group: Nancy Weiss and Selden Edner
 - Discussed in executive session
- 8.10. MHTA/Historic Bridge Update: Erika Sharghi
 - N/A

Next Board Meeting: 7:30 pm on November 2, 2022, via Zoom