

Santa Clara Community Organization
General meeting minutes
August 3, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. There were 15 in attendance, including 6 Board members. Peter Thurston moved that the July 6 minutes be approved as submitted, Russ Bevans seconded. Motion passed.

Announcements: Saturday, August 6 is the date set for the annual Santa Clara Fire Barbeque, and also there is a car wash at Les Schwab the same day. The Labor Music Festival is set for Sunday August 6.

Reports:

- Beaver-Hunsaker plan – there is a County Commissioner meeting on this subject at 9 a.m. on August 22nd. Patrick Kerr suggested written comments be sent form SCCO regarding our support for this plan. He will create a draft for Board approval.

Old Business:

- Lone Oak park as a potential dog park: There was a discussion about reviving the idea of working with the City Parks and Open Spaces in creating a dog park in Santa Clara. A year and a half ago leadership changes at City Parks and the discussion of a possible homeless camp sidetracked this discussion. At that time, Lone Oak Park was chosen by a SCCO committee as the best site for a dog park. Peter Thurston moved that SCCO reaffirm our support for a dog park and that the chair contact the Parks Department suggesting talks about this be continued. Patrick Kerr seconded. Motion passed.

- There was a discussion about what how SCCO might affirm its support of a feasibility study about the possibility of a regional park district and keep this idea fresh in everyone's mind. Dale Weigandt, director of River Road parks indicated that this is timely as there is planned to be an initiative on the ballot asking if people would favor a feasibility study. Patrick moved that a letter to the editor of the RG be submitted registering SCCO's support of a feasibility study and include some supporting information. Louis Vidmar seconded. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

submitted,

Jerry Finigan