

Santa Clara Community Organization  
Executive Board meeting minutes  
May 5, 2022

Those in attendance – total 21 (7 Board members, 9 residents, 5 non-residents)

<u>Board</u>	<u>Community members</u>	<u>non-residents</u>
Terri Reed	Mary Leontovich	Charlsey Cartwright
Kate Perle	Joel Robe	Sarai Johnson
Jerry Finigan	Steve Karter	Julie Fischer
Patrick Kerr	Stephanie Stutzman	Daniela Siu
Jerry Mohr	Brian Stutzman	Counselor Claire Syrett
Louis Vidmar	Martha Johnson	
Matt Vohs	Patty Driscoll	
	Xia Wang	
	Julie Nowacki	

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by the Chair, Kate Perle. She called for introductions.

River Road Navigation Center: Kate introduced Sarai Johnson who presented a power point describing the creation and operation of the future housing facility for current homeless men at 100 River Avenue. Santa Clara Community Organization will join with the River Road Community Organization in a “good neighbor” agreement to assure the policies established will assure the safety of both neighborhoods. The presentation was followed by a question and answer session. The planning team will be looking for representatives from SCCO for a May 10 meeting to strategize community outreach. Kate agreed to attend that meeting and invited any others who might be free to do so to join her. Steve Karter said he might be able to attend. This portion of the meeting finished at 8:00 p.m.

Patrick moved, Matt seconded that the March 3 meeting minutes be approved as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

Jerry F. said he would reach out to Rod Graves to see if his group on Admiral Street seeking to realign the future Beaver to Madison bike route has been successful in working with transportation planners Rob Inerfeld and Reed Dunbar.

Updates:

- Bat Phone: Matt reported that outside of telemarketers, there has been no activity on the phone. He said he would be happy to pass the phone to someone else or to somehow automate this contact.
- Neighborhood Plan: Kate said the plan is on track for approval by the end of the year. It is hoped the Plan can be taken back to the full community by the end of the summer.

- Friends of Awbrey Park – the annual Awbrey Park Wildflower Celebration: Jerry F. gave a report on the celebration that occurred Saturday, April 30. He said there were possibly 200 people attending. The rain held off until the last half hour. The food truck that was invited sold out of food. There were 8 kiosks – all of them quite busy, constant music, and lots of children. Overall, a very successful event.
- Social Justice Committee: Martha asked Xia to review her experience. She described the hate crime she experienced and said the case is to be adjudicated in August. She explained her frustration in dealing with the DA who is treating the matter as a property crime and apparently doesn't have law to approach it as a hate crime. There is a search on for a second person that might have also been involved in this incident. There were some suggestions about how SCCO can further support Xia.
- Santa Clara Community Foundation: Jerry M. reported that the Foundation gathered a lot of attention at its Wildflower Celebration booth—gathering a lot of signatures and donations. The Foundation is currently searching for a good logo. The contract with the City to obtain control of the historic schoolhouse is still Pending.
- Land Use: Kate reported applications have been few. These included the annexation of the community park, a lot to be subdivided into three for a future subdivision at 4199 Scenic Drive, and a public utility addition on Baywood.

Other matters: Kate asked what should be asked at the May 10 navigation center strategy meeting. Should the provider be given some vetting? Patrick said he knows the company is solid and professional. Kate again invited others to join this Zoom meeting on May 10 from noon to 1:30.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Submitted,  
Jerry Finigan