

## Mission Canyon Association - MINUTES - 5/7/2024, 6:00 p.m. by Jason Jewell

- 1. Call to order at 6:05 p.m. & introductions (Nancy Weis, MCA President)
  - 1.1. Board Members Present: Gustavo Agredano, Hugh Twibell, Hutch Axilrod, Jason Saltoun-Ebin, Jason Jewell, Kevin Snow, Nancy Weiss, and Selden Edner
  - 1.2. Board Members Absent: Alex Feldwinn & Darby Feldwinn
  - 1.3. Guests: Luke Swetland, Steve Windhager, Kadie McShirley
  - 1.4. ~75 Mission Canyon residents present (10 rows @ 8)
- 2. Board Introductions & Election of Board Members
  - 2.1. For Reelection: Nancy Weiss & Jason Saltoun-Ebin; For Election: Jason Jewell, Hutch Axilrod, & Gustavo Agredano
  - 2.2. 1st: Gary Rees
  - 2.3. 2nd: Sheila Snow
  - 2.4. All approved
- 3. Award
  - Ray Smith awarded Exceptional Leadership Award by Nancy Weiss, Barbara Lindemann, Representative Carbajal & Supervisor Williams
- 4. Speaker #1 (Das Willaims, SB County Supervisor)
  - Tunnel Rd. Sewer Extension (for 4 parcels) completed
  - Continue to support MCA in SCE cleanup
  - Joint City/County Fire resources, e.g. Riviera Fire Station may respond to fire if Station 15 is not able to.
  - Homelessness In a race despite success in housing homeless, more people are becoming homeless than the County is able to accommodate.
  - Renewable @ start of his tenure, 23% renewable, now at 56%. Goal is to get to 100% by 2030. County provides incentives for renewable upgrades, including heat pumps (cheaper than new water heaters or on-demand heaters).
  - Fire insurance maybe hope is on the way with insurance companies and commissioner agreement being brokered.
  - Builders Remedy Housing Applications County is now in compliance with the State's housing mandate and he doesn't see more projects forthcoming.
  - Transportation there is a case for transportation improvement due to new builds; the County & Cities will work with Developers to ensure infrastructure
- 5. Speaker #2 (Dana Link-Herrera, Wildfire Resilience Planner, Duddek, CWPP Transportation Study)
  - CWPP collaborative plan that identifies risk mitigation strategies and practices
  - Working w/ consultant Fehr & Peers to improve emergency access in community
  - Plan Area = 10,696 acres (can check out maps on website).

- Currently in outreach & engagement and want MC community input. Community should take the surveys and participate in upcoming workshops on 5/14 and 5/22.
- 6. Speaker #3 (Jessie Tobin, FireWise Program)
  - Annual program planning underway
  - 10' on either side from center of road + 13.5' high clearance for fire/emergency vehicle support.
  - May 28th & June 3rd scheduled for chipping pickup.
- 7. Speaker #4 Brian Trautwein, Environmental Defense Center
  - Clean Water file lawsuits against polluters
  - Santa Barbara Channel vessel speed reduction, sued and stopped fracking in the Channel
  - Climate & Energy shut down 3 cat canyon; defeated 3 LNG projects; just started working on Diablo Canyon
  - Open Space & Wildlife fought More Mesa, Naples, etc. 2 big victories on Agland in North County
  - Watershed has cleaned 45k lbs of trash from creeks.
  - The Goleta watershed report in 2021 allowed for successful procurement of grant monies, and EDC wants the same outcome for MCA with their 2023 report. Replace flammable, invasive species e.g. Eucalyptus, restore natural hydrology, assist people with homelessness to move out of creeks
  - Mission Tunnel is another opportunity to work with EDC to restore the 500+ acre-feet of water being taken by the Tunnel that could flow naturally into the hydrology of Mission/Rattlesnake creeks.
  - Big annual event is 6/9 please join

## Meeting adjourned by Nancy Weiss at 7:36 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: 7:30 pm on June 04, 2024, via Zoom