



**Mission Canyon Association - MINUTES - 9/3/24 7:30 p.m.
by Darby 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, Jason Jewel, Kevin Snow
 - 1.2. Board Members Absent: Selden Edner
 - 1.3. Guests: Keith Nevison (Botanic Garden), Druyan Byrne, Ray Smith, Geneva Lovett

2. Minutes of July Meeting Approved
 - 1st: Hugh Twibell
 - 2nd: Hutch AxilrodAll approved

3. County Update: Supervisor Das Williams / Geneva Lovett
 - Das has only had one meeting with SCE. Asked about the request to have someone from MCA to come up to review their work. But SCE expressed safety concerns. Das will still push for it to help keep them accountable.
 - Nancy reminded Geneva that the county needs to request a fix to the drainage problem that they caused above the Edner's and Lindemann's properties.
 - Nancy also asked Geneva to look into trucks of dirt that seem to be being hauled up Spyglass Rd.

4. Museum of Natural History Update: Luke Swetland

Nothing out of the ordinary to report from the Museum.

Our popular Summer exhibit Butterflies Alive wrapped up this weekend and so it will be a bit quiet until school group visits resume later in September.

We do have SBCC students back for Astronomy so we will work with the instructors to remind the students to respect the neighbors when they are leaving after class.

5. Botanic Garden Update: Keith Nevison
 - Summer camps wrapped up without a hitch and they were very successful. They were able to give a lot of scholarships to broaden the kids that were able to come to the camps.
 - Recently they had a water blowout at the well, which was brought to their attention by a neighbor, resulting in quick action (thank you neighbors!). The leak is now fixed.
 - The Garden is working with Fehr & Peers to kick off their phase-two study soon. This study includes four distinct action items (see below). Task 1 is developing parking lot circulation recommendations which will occur from August through

October. Task 2 will be additional traffic data collection and will occur this September. The Garden already did a traffic count survey in the spring of 2024 (peak visits) and want to compare these numbers to the numbers they will collect this fall. In addition, there was a traffic study in the fall of 2006, so they can compare the new fall study to this historical data in order to determine how traffic has changed over time. Task 3 will be an assessment of potential growth scenarios in year-round visitation with regard to traffic, alternative transportation means, pedestrian circulation and evaluation that will be carried out from August through January. Task 4 will be to host a stakeholders workshop to share their findings with neighbors and interested parties (MCA) this will occur in February.

- The Tipton Trail is the new trail that goes from the upper parking lot and goes to the eastern boundary of the property. Hope for a public opening on Nov 17th (National Hiking Day).
- They are thinking about what they will do for the centennial celebration and associated fundraising.
- Gardens will turn 100 in March of 2026.

SANTA BARBARA BOTANIC GARDEN TRANSPORTATION STUDY - SCOPE OF WORK
Task 1: Develop Parking Lot Circulation Recommendations
Parking Lot Conceptual Drawings
Near-Term ADA Conceptual Recommendations
Long-Term ADA Conceptual Recommendations
MCR Wayfinding Signage Map
Task 2: Additional Data Collection & Existing Conditions
Collect Traffic Counts
Traffic Count Comparison Summary
Task 3: Assessment of Potential Growth Scenarios
Draft Summary Memorandum
Call with Botanic Garden Staff
Final Summary Memorandum
Task 4: Hybrid Stakeholder Workshop
Stakeholder Meeting Facilitation
Follow-up Meeting w/ Botanic Garden Staff
Revised Task 1 - 3 Deliverables (if needed)
Optional Task: Initial Feasibility Analysis for MCR Crosswalk Near Wye
Site Visit
Summary Technical Memorandum
Follow-up Meeting w/ Botanic Garden Staff

6. Treasurer's report: Selden Edner

- Selden called and had the trash services (Marborg) at the trail pull-out discontinued until the trail reopens.

Mission Canyon Association

Statement of Activity
April 1 - August 29, 2024

	TOTAL
▼ Revenue	
Membership Dues	5,103.50
Total Revenue	\$5,103.50
GROSS PROFIT	\$5,103.50
▼ Expenditures	
Bookkeeping	148.75
Charitable Contributions	1,000.00
Directors and officer's liability	1,284.00
Mutt Mitts	434.88
Office Expense	350.00
PayPal Fees	11.46
PO Box Fees	200.00
Portable Toilet	1,277.70
Software	220.00
Supplies & Materials	666.35
Trash and Recycling	90.44
Waste Disposal	301.60
Total Expenditures	\$5,985.18
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ -881.68
▼ Other Revenue	
Donations Received	244.00
Interest Earned	752.87
Total Other Revenue	\$996.87
NET OTHER REVENUE	\$996.87
NET REVENUE	\$115.19

Collapse Sort Add notes Edit titles

✉️ 🖨️ 🔄 ⚙️

Mission Canyon Association

Statement of Financial Position Comparison As of August 29, 2024

	TOTAL	
	AS OF AUG 29, 2024	AS OF AUG 29, 2023 (PY)
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
Checking (MB&T) # 2703	7,285.19	17,071.51
Checking (Union Bank) # 6037 (deleted)	0.00	21,675.17
First Republic Bank CD (deleted)	0.00	20,000.00
MB&T CD # 4060	30,742.01	
MB&T CD #5804	20,496.23	
PayPal Bank	0.00	
Total Bank Accounts	\$58,523.43	\$58,746.68
Other Current Assets		
Undeposited Funds	0.00	
Total Other Current Assets	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Current Assets	\$58,523.43	\$58,746.68
TOTAL ASSETS	\$58,523.43	\$58,746.68
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Total Liabilities		
Equity		
Equity	61,894.68	61,894.68
Retained Earnings	-3,486.44	
Net Revenue	115.19	-3,148.00
Total Equity	\$58,523.43	\$58,746.68
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$58,523.43	\$58,746.68

Cash basis Thursday, August 29, 2024 08:38 AM GMT-07:00

7. New Business

7.1. Board Governance: Resignation of Gustavo Agredano & New Board Recruitment

- Gustavo Agredano had to resign from the board due time constraints. We thank him for his service over the last year.
- Need to think about new members for the board. If anyone has suggestions they should give them to Nancy. Potential new board members need to come to a few meetings (~2) before becoming part of the board. We are looking for people that will come regularly to the meetings and help out with committee work.

7.2. Annual Board Meeting Calendar

- There was talk about returning to in-person meetings
- Think about starting with a meeting in person once (or twice) per year. This would allow us to map out what we would do over the next year.
- Might think about having an in-person meeting in January.

8. Committee Reports

8.1. MHTA/Historic Bridge Update: Jason Jewel

- Wants to bring attention to the lower canyon and highlight the opportunities to promote safe passage. Jason has been doing outreach to the neighbors in the lower canyon area. He is trying to bring the group

together once or twice per year to do cleanup on the road. They would do things like cleaning up gravel on the road, clean out storm drains, fix pavement that is buckling, etc. They would start at the stop sign on Mission Canyon & Foothill and go to the SBNH Museum. Might also look into other small projects that might be able to be done. Jason also talked to the County about street sweeping after the rain each year to help clean up the gravel.

- 8.2. Mission Canyon Brush Cleanup and Chipping:
 - N/A
- 8.3. Newsletter: Jason Saltoun-Ebin
 - If anyone has anything for the newsletter please send it to Jason.
- 8.4. Architectural Design Review: Hugh Twibell
 - Reviewed a couple properties.
- 8.5. Parking & Traffic: Selden Edner
 - N/A
- 8.6. Land Use Committee: Kevin Snow
 - Kevin is looking into the ditch on foothill and whose land the channel is on and who is responsible for upkeep.
 - They are looking into putting 255 apartments (8 stories tall, 90 ft) where the seminary is. They are trying to bypass some aspects of review by using a “builder’s remedy.” They submitted the project in July but the application is not complete so not sure what is going to happen. They only have 90 days to correct their application or this project is dead and they would have to resubmit.
- 8.7. Membership:
 - N/A
- 8.8. Fire Committee: Ray Smith and Selden Edner
 - Firesafe has some money left over. Therefore, they might do another brush chipping in October in select areas.
 - Some people are having problems with CA Fair Plan insurance. They are not sending out renewal notices and then cancel people if they do not pay. Might want to reach out to Senator Limon’s office to see if we can talk to her about it.
- 8.9. Website: Alex Feldwinn
 - Updated website with member and committee changes.
- 8.10. Tunnel Trail Working Group: Nancy Weiss and Selden Edner
 - Nancy can see what they are doing from across the Canyon and texts with the project manager when there are problems.
 - There will be 3 to 5 days of helicopter work in October. Moving rocks out of the creek. Nancy has told them they need to give the neighbor notice of this.

Next Board Meeting: 7:30 pm on October 1, 2024, via Zoom