



WGNA Board Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2017

7:00-9:30PM

Willow Glen Library, Community Room

1157 Minnesota Ave, San Jose, CA 95125

President: Richard Zappelli

Vice President: C Jeffrey Stanley

Secretary: Elizabeth Z Estensen

Treasurer: Matt Friske

Board Members: Christine Barold, Kristen Brown, Harvey Darnell, Archie Moore, Ed Rast, Soren Riise, Rena Zhong

Present: Richard Zappelli, Harvey Darnell, Ed Rast, Elizabeth Estensen, Archie Moore
22 people present in audience.

Absent: Jeffrey "Jeff" Stanley, Archie Moore, Soren Riise, Christine Barold, Matt Friske, Kristen Brown

Call to order 7:13pm

Minute Approval:

Elizabeth: Approval of meeting minutes from January 12, 2017

Motion: Richard Zappelli

Approved: Archie Moore

Guest Speakers: Ralf Pearce, Bob Emmerson, Liv Ames, Larry Ames, Janis Robek

Alba Nohely Izquierdo – Dev Davis; Register for ? Senior walk, Community mtg at WG Elem School RE: PG&E discussion about tree removal on Curtner Avenue

Jim Carter, neighbor commission – Sharon Erickson with the auditor's report on the City budget/how to improve city services, State of the City address this Saturday with the Mayor, Illegal fireworks committee, active program asking the neighborhood assoc to help identify the illegal firework locations, public safety staffing of rangers, Trying to recruit to hire. Work plan for next year, homeless

Ed Rast and Harvey Darnell: Neighborhood representatives to Diderion to San Jose High Speed Rail Community Working Group

Elizabeth Giarrantana – Author of "Old Willow Glen"

Rena: Youth Commission – Yak training 50 students to do research on the letters to City council and Mayor, budget. State of union of SJ.

Jeff – Co-Chair, Youth Commission

Ed Rast – Learned that code enforcement 15 positions / 5 vacancies in general fund positions (non- fee paid) that respond to neighborhood complaints. San Jose Code Enforcement 2nd lowest compensation in Bay Area - Qualifications - prior public safety, code inspection or construction inspections - All 3 pay more that San Jose so difficult to hire and retain. Ed – See Notes ed gave

Holiday Senior Trip:

Jeff Stanley sponsored 140 seniors at \$900 donation for Christmas lights trip.

Presentations

Dave Cortese - Santa Clara County National Heritage Area Project , see wgna.net for presentation.

Larry Ames - Outline SCC National Heritage Area:

How to get involved web site www.sccnha.org: to get updates, volunteer to help us with the effort

Officially support our designation as National Heritage Area

Email: nha@bos.sccgov.org

Call: 408-299-5030

Tapistry of History:

Jack Elwinger came up with the idea – staffer at the county office – went to Dave Cortese End: 8:20pm

Ralph Pearce: King library California room: 8:20pm begin