



## Berryessa Citizens Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

May 8 2017

Location: Berryessa Community Center



### General Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting called to Order at 7:05p.m. By President Linda Locke.
2. Welcome of First Time Attendees  
-Linda Locke welcomed and introduced all the notables and first time attendees in the audience. We had one first time attendee present. Linda reviewed the agenda orally for the group.
3. Approval of the March General Meeting Minutes.  
-Will Ector presented the minutes from the April General Meeting. Minutes were approved
4. Treasurers Report: 56 members present.  
Marlou Bitcon presented the Treasurers Report. Current balance ending April 28, 2016 is \$3,223.58. Treasurers Report was approved.
5. Police Report - Captain Michael Kihmm  
- Captain Michael Kihmm shared the criminal activity for our area. District R-5 had one burglary reported. Overall Foothill Division concerns are around the quality of life issues. We currently have about 744 officers on the force, down from the old 1400 officers in the department. He stressed the need for citizens to protect their property and to protect themselves. The department has hired a consultant to help in recruiting for the department. He entertained questions from the audience.
6. Neighborhood Commissions – John Semanik  
Mr. Semanik was present and reported on the Ad Hoc Committees the Commission is addressing. 1) Homeless is one, 2) Illegal dumping, 3) Illegal fireworks, 4) Public Safety Staffing, 5) Voice of the Community. A handout was distributed that addressed each item. He announced Assembly District 25 award for Women of the Year.
8. District 4 Officials Update:  
San Jose City Council District #4 Lan Diep - Anna Paz, Chris Rork  
-Chris Rork staff representative from Councilman Lan Diep's office gave an update on the North San Jose Development.  
Senator Bob Weickowski – Tim Orozco  
Tim reported that the Senator will hold his award ceremony from 2:30 to 4:40 Asian Community. He mentioned the Governor will hold the May revise meeting next week.  
Assemblyman Kansan Chu – Austin Parker, Xuan Ha, Eduardo  
Xuan was present and reported the assemblyman would be holding office hours next week.  
Supervisor District #3 – Dave Cortese - Mario Lopez, Ti Vu Nguyen  
Supervisor Cortese reported the County is in a difficult spot with federal government. They have been directed to abide by the Executive Order filed by the President. If the Feds win its Executive Order, it will cost the County over \$1Billion. The program "Secure Communities" the county feels is unconstitutional and has filed for an effort to stay the order.  
Santa Clara Valley Water District - Richard Santos  
Mr. Santos Board Member of the Santa Clara Valley Water District was present. He reported the recent testimony that was given to the regional Water District Board Meeting. He just returned from Washington DC. He was able to meet with our congressional representatives.

BUSD – Will Ector

BUSD is currently getting ready for our spring vacation. We are also preparing for our annual spring assessments.

Open Space Authority – Mike Flaugher

Mike was not present

Berryessa Business Association – Frank Cancilla

Frank was present. He announced the BBA would be sponsoring the Berryessa Art and Wine Festival this Saturday. He thanked the sponsors from the business community.

San Jose City/Evergreen Community College District – Rudy Nasol

Rudy reported that there are a lot of activities going on in the district. The district announced the implementation of the Evergreen Promise, which will begin this fall. The program will support the financial needs to about 800 students. They received a \$1.4 million dollar grant. The Milpitas Satellite campus is open. The partnership is new with the city of Milpitas and San Jose. He mentioned the district is in need of community members to serve on the Oversight committee for the supervision of their recent bond measure.

Representative Ro Khanna - Sandy

No one was present

Berryessa Community Center - Leticia

They will be hosting a movie night on Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with Lan Diep from District 4. They also have partnered with

9. Villa Sport Presentation - Dave Perry & Maria Fregoso

They distributed some handouts to the audience that included pamphlets and a logoed pen. Dave gave an overview of what the Villasport Complex is all about. It is a 130K square foot resort-style sports facility that will include four swimming pools, childcare facility, regulation basketball court, steam room. He mentioned they are running a little behind on the construction schedule due to the recent extensive rains. He mentioned they will raffle off some Villasport swag. Maria gave an overview of the physical facility. She will be at the counter to direct members as they enter. They will have a small café built into the facility. They entertained questions from the audience. They have not set the fees for the facility as of yet. They have a plan for a 500-car parking lot. They are planned to open late fall 2017. They will include a full service spa. They will be sponsoring the items.

Beautify San Jose - Chris Ratana (Mayors Office)

Chris outlined the Mayors initiative to beautify San Jose. There is a grant coming out up to \$5K for an organization to apply for. He stated the wide variety of ways the grants can be used for. He mentioned you could combine projects as long as it doesn't exceed the \$5K. You can't use it for tools, computers or contractors with the funds. He distributed some magnets with contact phone numbers on it for citizens to use. The grant is for \$200K for the whole city. He is promoting the program with neighborhood groups. He entertained questions from the audience.

10. BCAC Project – Park Benches – Ty Greaves

Ty gave a presentation on the Park bench project for BCAC. The PowerPoint will be placed on the BCAC web site for private viewing after the meeting. His presentation included locations, types of benches available and the type of plaques that could be purchased. You can use it for food, water and insurance cost. Applications won't be available until later this summer.

11. Announcements

- An announcement was made on the Alviso water development

12. Adjournment

-Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, By Will Ector, BCAC Secretary