

Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Areas Steering Committee
Meeting March 27, 2018 — Approved Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:40PM by 2018 Chair Terrie Brady. Other voting members present were Glenn Bailey, Margot Griswold, Steve Hartman and Muriel Kotin. A quorum was established (5 of 7). Cesar Lomeli represented RAP for Paola. Non-voting members attending: Patricia Bates and Ruth Doxsee. Alternates and Guests: Anne Abramson, Barbara Heidemann and David Troy.

Minutes of Meeting 1/23/18: approved with changes.

Upcoming Events: Lake Balboa NC Community Meeting 4/14 (handout). CNPS annual symposium and plant sale at Garden Center 4/7, 9-4:00. SFVAS Cleanup of Haskell Creek 4/14 at 8:30. Chatsworth Nature Preserve Open House 4/7, 10-3.

RAP: Terrie complained about a confusing sign about dogs at base of Burbank Blvd. berm. She will send Cesar a photo of the sign and description of the location. She suggested relocating the Dogs Only On Leash and adding one pointing toward the WR that says No Dogs, or better, No Entry. Barbara said that the sign saying No Entry near the boat ramp is illegible — need new one. Terrie mentioned that the Consortium might pay for signs if necessary.

Fighting Kites: They're still seeing a lot of string. RAP picks it up. Committee concerned about danger. Terrie will send letter for committee. A law stronger than littering laws is needed.

Rodent bait Boxes: Ann A said there are around 10 of them near the fence on the grass side of the fence — she personally saw around 3. Muriel said a SFVAS member complained about one next to Lake Balboa. Cesar will look into what is going on regarding bait boxes.

Fencing: Glenn brought up the sad condition of the Woodcrete fencing — as a reminder to RAP. Cesar will follow up. David Troy suggested epoxy rebar.

USACOE: Glenn suggested to Terrie contacting Phil Serpa ahead of each meeting asking for the Corps to send a representative or report.

LAPD/Park Rangers: A Prius was seen driving on Woodley III with dogs running alongside. Many vehicles drive and park far into Woodley III.

BAI Concert: Muriel summarized from an email from Terry Koosed of BAI. If the concert happens this year it will be Nov. 10 and 11. There were questions about whether heavy use of Wifi would have impacts on wildlife, especially bees. Is Woodley I far away enough from WR to not impact? Glenn's big concern is that he does not want to see a concert every weekend. We need support of NC's to not allow that to happen and keep the park land primarily for use as a public park.

Filming: Terrie is concerned about filming in Woodley Park. She will contact Film LA and ask to be notified whenever there is filming in Woodley II or III.

Webmaster: Steve H. is willing to stay on as webmaster but would prefer someone else to take over. He would be willing to train a new webmaster.

Website Tasks and Information:

- Weekly he updates the event and program listings.
- Periodically
 - As he receives the Western Tanager from LAAS he updates sightings.
 - Posts approved minutes
 - Posts public documents
- Annually he updates phone numbers (police, wildlife, etc.)
- He recommends 1. Rearranging home page; 2. Creating a separate page for Wildlife Sightings and Photo Links
- Managing Hosting and Domain Info
 - 3/6/18: IP Address 198.71.160.29
 - Name SBWORG
 - Password: see Steve Hartman
 - Domain: www.sepulvedabasinwildlife.org expires 2/4/2020 \$21.26/year
 - Hosting expires 6/4/2018 \$167.88/year
- Forwarding Accounts (Currently all link to naturebase@aol.com)
 - Volunteer@
 - Info@
 - Donations@
 - Newsletter@
- Security
 - SSL Certificate \$75/year. Expires 3/6/19
 - Web Security Essentials (Malware scanning and removal tool) \$83.88/year. Expires 12/29/2018

Consortium: Muriel Moved, Glenn Seconded and Passed to reimburse Steve Hartman \$119.98 for SSL certificate. **Approved** 4 - 0, Steve abstaining.

Barbara suggested hiring someone after deciding what changes we want. Steve suggested updating to modern style first, then making changes. He will get bid. Barbara said to be sure we and not Go Daddy own the domain name; Steve said he registered it.

Comment on Non-Agenda items: Pat B responded to an anonymous letter to SFVAS about water leaks at Lake Balboa. She walked the area and took pictures. Most puddling is due to strong winds and rains. It mostly needs some TLC, with one area needing checking out. She suggests gravel near the west side of the lake.

Reports:

CNPS Steve: Thanks for city replacing the Plexiglas on the informational signs. They missed the one on the west side of the bridge over Haskell Cr. He gave a talk about SB to Kern Chapter of CNPS; they're very interested because of similarities with Kern River where Panorama Vista is being developed as natural area.

RCD Glenn: Distributed flyer about a Town Hall meeting on health impacts of the Aliso Canyon gas leak on 3/29.

SFVAS Muriel: Education programs and tours continue, with the main SB Environmental Education Program (SBEEP) winding down for the season. They are concerned about trees in and near the Wildlife Reserve. Steve said there is shot hole borer damage in plane trees (similar to sycamores) in the amphitheater and also in the Mexican Palo Verde in the WR near Burbank Blvd.

LAAS Margo Griswold, President of LAAS: Bob Munsey won't be participating in the committee any longer. There is an effort to have permanent representation on the committee.

The meeting adjourned at 8:28.

Submitted by

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