

SAN TOMAS WEST

Neighborhood Association



STWNA Community Meeting Minutes

November 6th, 2006, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

3750 Gleason Avenue - in the Payne Elementary Multi Purpose Room

♦ **Community Sign In:**

Sign in sheets were located at the entrance.

♦ **Proceedings:**

- ♦ Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Heather Sutton.
- ♦ All attendees were welcomed and introductions went as follows:
 - ♦ Board Member Introductions Heather Sutton, Lisa Riggs, Jim Macfarlane, Cindy Cooper, Pauline Berns
 - ♦ Special Guest Introductions
 - ♦ Crystal Morrow from Councilmember Linda LeZotte's office.
 - ♦ Rosamaria Hernandez, Community Coordinator, Strong Neighborhoods
 - ♦ Lt. Philips, San Jose Police Department, www.sjpd.org
STWNA is location in San Jose West Division 10.
 - ♦ Community Member Introductions - each community member introduced themselves and by a show of hands confirmed that both Campbell/San Jose areas were well represented. (see attached for list of attendees)

♦ **Establishment of STWNA:**

- ♦ Heather Sutton explained how STWNA was founded; out of the desire to unite our community for the many reason's/benefits that that could be realized as a neighborhood association.
- ♦ The purpose of this meeting was explained: first was to find out how much community interest there is in the formation of the STWNA and second was to solicit feedback about what our community deems important for the STWNA to address/look at.
- ♦ The boundaries were explained (San Tomas Expressway to San Tomas Aquino Rd., Payne Ave to Campbell Ave uniquely in the cities of San Jose and Campbell).
- ♦ A brief explanation was given of what the board members suggest as topics of interest (Neighborhood Enhancement, Dumpster Days, Community Block Parties, Neighborhood Watch and the Traffic Safety Concern at the Phoenix/Hamilton Ave. Intersection).

- ♦ Bylaws: An overview of the STWNA Bylaws was provided. (a copy of the bylaws is available at www.santomaswest.com
 - ♦ Community Members are to review the bylaws and give feedback per email/phone or at the next community meeting.

- ♦ **Finance Report:**
 - ♦ Cindy Cooper presented the treasures report: that the STWNA bank account has currently \$250.00 in donations from Board Members; no expenses to date.
 - ♦ MOTION to approve by Jackie Wyckoff, second by Lisa Riggs.
 - ♦ Membership forms and donations were accepted.

- ♦ **Open Discussion:**
 - ♦ We had extensive discussion about what the topics of interest for STWNA are within our community (Please see attached community feedback report.)

- ♦ **Other Business:**
 - ♦ Heather Sutton re-explained that the main goals for this meeting was to find out how much interest there is in our community for the neighborhood association and to solicit the feedback on what the areas of interest were for future planning –(both were accomplished.)
 - ♦ Sign up sheets for a variety of committees were on the wall and community members were encouraged to sign up for topics of interest.
 - ♦ Community members were encouraged to spread the word –talk to their neighbors about the STWNA
 - ♦ The next community meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 10th 2007
Time and Location TBD
Guest Speaker(s) TBD

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.
Minutes submitted by Secretary, Pauline Berns

Meeting Information:

Number of people in attendance: 87

Number of residences (households) that joined/made dues contributions: 26

Total members (households) to date: 31

Committees/Number of Volunteers Results:

- ♦ Block Captains:..... 19
- ♦ Beautification:..... 6
- ♦ Safety:..... 7
- ♦ South of Hamilton Leadership:... 3
- ♦ North of Hamilton Leadership:... 2
- ♦ Neighborhood Watch..... 9
- ♦ Block Parties..... 6
- ♦ Arts and Crafts Club:..... 1
- ♦ Volunteers:..... 3
- ♦ Grant Writing:..... 1
- ♦ Action:..... 2