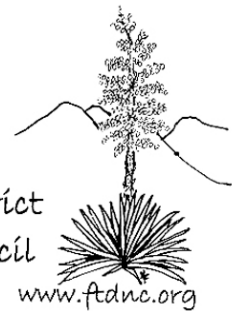


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FOOTHILL TRAILS DISTRICT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Jan. 12, 2017, 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.** (7:33 pm)
2. **Opening Statement by Chair:** Please ask fellow equestrians to get involved in the committee We need more participation. Laurie will make an announcement at the next General Board meeting, and also on social media.
3. **Comments by Public Representatives –** (Must fill out speaker card – limited to 3 minutes each. (*Public comments will be reserved for the **Public Comments** portion of the meeting - Item 7 below. You **MUST** fill out a Speaker Card*)).
 - a. a. Ricardo Benitez – Patty Lopez is running for LAUSD Board for District 6. Patty remains committed to our community, and wants to help any way she can.
4. **Updates with possible action:**
 - a. Follow up report from La Tuna Trails working group on progress, any requests for assistance, and/or information (5 mins.) (Possible Backcountry Horsemen or Corral 20 involvement?)

Laurie will approach Corral 20 about helping with clearing trails in La Tuna. They are currently working on Hansen Dam, but the Hansen Dam Advisory Board says the City requests people do not organize a big cleanup, but rather do small, local cleanups.
 - b. Discussion and possible action to create a working group to begin planning for the next Equine Fair in May.

The proposed date of May 20 conflicts with an Outreach event for Village School, and also with the Sylmar Horse Fair. Discussion ensued regarding June 3 as a proposed date. Will check with Recs & Parks.
 - c. Discussion and possible action regarding creating a list of questions for possible City Council Candidates at next month's meeting.

Many issues at stake in our area: homeless encampments, high speed rail, trail erosion, encroachment by bicyclists and motorized bikes on trails, losing horsekeeping zoning, licensing, etc.
 - d. Request volunteers to call candidates to see if they want to attend meeting to give 3 min. talk to equestrians and hear what horse people are concerned about.

Find out details of Meet & Greet. We can't invite all the candidates, so perhaps will focus on those who wish to speak with us on equestrian issues. Will ask candidates at the Meet & Greet if they would like to come to our next meeting. Will send out info to local equestrians so they may attend.
5. **New Items from the floor** (3 mins. each item):
 - a. Discussion and possible action to investigate who is responsible for maintaining lights at the corral at

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Stonehurst Park.

It should be Recs & Parks. Will call John Knight's office and inquire.

- b. Discussion and possible action to investigate who is responsible for maintaining lights in the Tunnel in Shadow Hills?

Again, it should be Recs & Parks. Will call John Knight's office and inquire.

6. **Public Comment** (Presentations are limited to non-agenda items whose subject(s) fall under the Board's jurisdiction – **Must fill out speaker card** – limited to 3 minutes each). None.
7. **Notification** of public hearings and/or community equestrian events.
 - a. LA Equine Advisory Board Meeting, Friendship Hall, 3201 Riverside Dr. (last Mon. of month)
 - b. Hansen Dam Advisory Meeting; Lake View Terrace Rec. Center (last Tues. of month)
 - c. ETI Corral 20 Meeting (first Mon. of month)
 - d. SF Rangers/Sidekicks Poker Charity Ride on Sunday, April 23, 2017. Fliers coming out soon.
8. **Approval** of the December 8, 2016 Meeting Minutes.
9. **Final comments:**
 - a. Committee members (3 mins. each).
 - b. Chair (3 mins.) Next meeting of the EQComm is Feb. 9, 2016.
10. **Adjournment.** 9:01 pm