



Saugus Action Committee Meeting Minutes

The Saugus Action Committee met on April 9, 2009. The following is a summary of the issues discussed.

ATTENDEES

Mark H. Weiss, Sr.	Committee Chair
Bill Dinsenhacher	Committee Member
Myron Sofen	Committee Member
Linda Cormak	Committee Member
Linda Hinz	Committee Member
Sarona Vivanco	City Liaison

SUMMARY OF MEETING/OUTSTANDING ISSUES

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Mark Weiss, at 7:05 p.m.

1. **Welcome & Introductions**

2. **Meeting Minutes**

- Reviewed and accepted May 2009 Minutes.

3. **New Business**

- Sarona will work with City Staff regarding new sign. Mark Will deliver sign to Sarona at City Hall and discuss possibilities.

4. **Old Business**

- Eggstravaganza-Mark read the Signal article regarding SAC's involvement with the Eggstravaganza at Central Park. The article was very positive. Staff wanted to send their thanks to the group for all their work at the event. General consensus was that the "late comer" gifts were still too extravagant, compared to what most participants found in their eggs and they got to the event on time. Bill suggested that fewer major prizes be awarded to older age groups and have more for the younger participants...likely the middle two age groups. Mark to send photos to Sarona for posting to web site. Sarona thanked the group on behalf of the City and the Arts & Events staff for SAC's continuing support of this event. Linda C. suggested all future advertising of SAC events lead off with mentioning the Food Pantry as we are partnering with them going forward at all SAC events...Group agreed.

- Great Neighborhoods-The suggestion was made to start a grassroots “movement” by asking school age children to define what they perceive as their neighborhood...possibly a contest like the SAC used to create the SAC logo. Something to look at as a first “project” for children returning from Summer vacation.
- Recycling Facility-Bill D. is the committee’s representative. The formation of the Ad Hoc Recycling Facility Site Selection Citizen Committee will be on the City Council agenda for June 9, no word yet as to a first meeting date.
- Lancaster Jet Hawks Fund raising-April 9 to Sept. 18 is the season. Mark will contact the Jet Hawks to possibly schedule a game date of a Saturday game as first priority or a Friday game as second choice.
- Mountainview is having a fundraising “block party” at the local park in the neighborhood. Mark will attend to obtain information as to how they are able to coordinate the specifics for the event, in an attempt to assist the group on planning similar events in Saugus.

Open Discussion

Myron brought in a letter from the L.A. County Sanitation District regarding the 250 million dollar project to desalinate the Santa Clara River, due to the use of saline based water softeners. It was noted that the saline levels in the water received from Castaic Lake has a higher salt content in it, than does the water we discharge into the River. Mark suggested that we invite Maria Gutzeit to the next meeting to help clarify some contested issues.

Linda H. explained the use and benefits of “whole house” fans in her home...everyone was very interested.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 11, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., in the Orchard A&B Conference Rooms, 1st Floor, City Hall.