

**Inter Canyon League
Minutes of the General Meeting
Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at 7:00 PM Modjeska Community Center**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Wilson.

II. General Announcements

None.

III. Director Reports

a. President---Janet Wilson

No report.

b. Vice President---Geoffrey Sarkissian

No report.

c. Secretary---Scott Breeden

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the June meeting were approved 4-0 (Francesca absent).

d. Treasurer---Francesca Duff

No report.

e. Director---Dion Sorrell

There will be a free Shakespeare performance in Modjeska August 18 at 11am, presented by the Chapman University troupe. See the LetsGoOutside.org web site for reservations.

A children's Shakespeare camp will be held July 23-July 27, culminating in a private performance July 28.

IV. Advisory Committee Reports

a. Canyon Watch---Marion Schuller

Connie Nelson is organizing patrols, has most of July 4 covered, but still needs bodies.

Marion said that two sheriff deputies are patrolling—she “explained” Black Star Canyon to them. Jane Bove said that Fire Station 14 in Silverado is usually on duty. Janet Wilson said that Modjeska will have regular Fire Watch patrol. Cle Robinson said that Dan Dulac has a security patrol for Black Star and Baker Canyons, and a new radio tower which he can reach from the Silverado Cafe.

Connie reported that the recent Large Animal Rescue meeting of residents and county agency representatives was a huge success, drawing about 50 attendees. In addition to compiling a list of animals to evacuate in an emergency, Connie asked Dianne Young for an “over 70” list—names of at-risk individuals who might also require special help.

Janet was concerned about ICL liability regarding animal evacuations. Connie said that she plans to have written permission from horse owners ahead of time. Joanne Hubble expects a Memorandum of Understanding with OC Parks to cover large animal use at their facilities.

b. Emergency Preparedness---Joanne Hubble, Connie Nelson

Joanne's base radio is only working intermittently. She will get it working and discuss reimbursement next month. Discussion followed about radio costs in general. Cle said that in the past, many radios were paid for by grants, though he bought his own. Some

radios (out of about 40) now need to be replaced since they are obsolete. Marion said that she would expect each person to pay for his/her own license. Fran Williams noted that Canyon Watch has not held a fundraiser in a long time. Connie felt that there were problems with doing parking at the Tucker Wildlife Sanctuary.

c. Safety---Lora Meadows

Lora was not present, but Geoff Sarkissian volunteered to join this committee as well.

d. Country Fair---Jane Bove

Jane and Chay Peterson are working on the next Silverado fair, which will be October 13-14.

Bands are lined up; volunteers will be needed later.

e. Septic---Marion Schuller, Geoff Sarkissian, etc.

Janet reported that Orange County's revised proposal for a septic system Local Alternative Management Program (LAMP) does not mention gray water, and exempts all new development as well as existing septic systems from the default state regulations. She said that the Regional Water Board is interested in community input, though. Marion said she could provide a link to put on the ICL web site. Connie said that the Riverside LAMP seems less stringent.

f. Friends of the Library---Fran Williams

All are invited to a First Anniversary open house celebration (food and conversation) at the Library of the Canyons July 18 at 11am. That coincides with the summer reading program's last special event of the season.

Friends of the Library will once again accept donations to sell in their tea room (air conditioned!) at the Silverado fair.

Geoff asked if the library was being used much. Fran said that she did not have statistics, but the children's program is very successful—preschoolers from the Silverado Children's Center come down twice a week, and the children's librarian has excellent programs. “We are getting kids in the canyons again.”

Movies for grownups are being shown Saturdays at 1pm, with children's films screened earlier in the day.

g. Land Use---Janet Wilson, Scott Breeden

Scott reported that the county Planning Commission did not seem inclined to support the Tree Preservation Ordinance included in proposed changes to the Zoning Code.

Commissioners questioned costs and complexity, and wondered if limiting such an ordinance to only the canyon areas would make more sense. Actually, as currently written, the tree ordinance would not apply to Specific Plan areas having their own ordinances, such as the Foothill-Trabuco Specific Plan (FTSP) area south of Modjeska. Ironically, however, it was largely the FTSP's inability to stop massive destruction of old oaks at Saddle Crest that inspired the ordinance idea in the first place. The Planning Commission will give recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for a vote in the fall.

Janet reported no apparent action on The Wildlands Conservancy's part concerning their offer to donate 45 acres in Modjeska to a local non-profit. Meanwhile, however, it was reported that the US Forest Service would also be willing to take the land.

h. Communications---Dion Sorrell

Dion, Francesca Duff and her daughter are continuing work on the ICL web site.

i. History---Melody McWilliams

No report.

V. New Business

None.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06pm.

***** The next ICL meeting will be held August 7, 2018 at the Silverado Community Center *****