

**Inter Canyon League
Minutes of the General Meeting
Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 7:00 PM
Silverado Community Center and Live Streaming**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:17pm by President Sarkissian.

II. General Announcements

Scott Breeden said that copies of the latest Foothills Sentry are at the library, Silverado market, Silverado cafe, and Mary Schreiber’s information board outside the post office. Firefighters will host Easter pancake breakfasts in Silverado and Modjeska.

III. Canyon Archives—Melody McWilliams

No report.

IV. GSOB Update

Geoffrey Sarkissian reported that a public meeting about goldspotted oak borers was held on March 28 at the library. Signs have been posted in the canyons warning against moving oak firewood, to prevent spreading the insects to more trees. Mike Boeck toured parts of the Cleveland National Forest that have been affected, and Celeste Veerkamp shared some of Mike’s photos. Rich Pfeiffer said that if we don’t do anything, our oaks could wind up like the ones that were wiped out in San Diego County.

V. Public Fire Boxes—Not supported by the Inter-Canyon League

Geoff said that the mission of ICL and Canyon Watch during a fire is to help with communications, and evacuate if necessary. Anything beyond that could entail legal risk. Rich Pfeiffer said that whether to keep extra safety and firefighting equipment on hand should be a personal decision. But anyone who does so should do practice drills, and keep an escape route in mind. Radios are also good. And when firefighters arrive, ask them what to do. In Rich’s case, they said that he could continue using the nearby hydrant to keep the Bond Fire away from his house.

VI. Canyon Watch Update—Bic and Keith Edwards

Bic reported that the Maple Springs forest gate in Silverado is now open, and cars parked there without a pass are being ticketed. Expect more traffic. There have also been some complaints about speeding on the road.

Geoff said that the unexpected crowd size for a recent Modjeska event was a safety concern due to congestion around the fire station.

VII. Other Committee Reports

a. Friends of the Library—Geoffrey Sarkissian, interim

Geoff said that committee chair Janet Coughlin has resigned for personal reasons, and anyone wishing to take over should let him know.

Geoff also asked the library about possibly offering 3-D printer classes at the library. The response was positive, and one staff member already had experience with that at another library. Printers plus computers would cost a few hundred dollars. Francesca Duff said that she would like to know the parameters of any such project before committing funds.

b. Fair Committee—Jane Bove

No report.

c. Land Use—Janet Wilson

No report.

VIII. **Director Reports**

a. President—Geoffrey Sarkissian

Geoff encouraged people to get on ICL's email list so they can receive notices for meetings like the recent GSOB one.

AT&T told Geoff that they expect their cell sites to be ready by the end of the year, but they will not have backup power in emergencies.

b. Vice President—Celeste Veerkamp

No report.

c. Secretary—Scott Breeden

The minutes of the March meeting were approved 4-0.

d. Treasurer—Francesca Duff

There are enough emergency relief funds to pay for about three purchases of sandbags. The March financial report was approved 4-0.

IX. **New Business**

In park news, Geoff announced that the next pickleball round-robin tournament would be held April 15 in Silverado. The park district will be sending out an interest survey to residents. And grant money is planned to be used for Modjeska park improvements first; there might be room for pickleball there as well.

X. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm.

***** The next ICL meeting will be held May 2, 2023 *****