

FOOTHILL TRAILS DISTRICT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2016, 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

FTDNC OFFICE

9747 Wheatland Ave, Shadow Hills, CA

Equestrian Committee Meets Every 2nd Thursday of each Month at 7:30 pm

- 1) Call to order, Pledge of Allegiance. *Meeting called to order at 7:33 pm.*
[Committee attendance: Laurie, Gerardo. Absent: Donna (NE), Vikki (E) Tamara & Kelly (Resigned)]
- 2) Chair, Laurie Thoms, thanked attendees for coming and welcomed everyone's participation.
- 3) Comments by Public Representatives / Public Comment:
None
- 4) Presentation and/or new projects with possible action:
 - a) An extensive discussion ensued with La Tuna Canyon residents about clearing and opening existing trails in and out of La Tuna to provide access for riders to Hansen Dam (and vice versa). A working group was organized consisting of Bettina Loudermilk, Judy Trujillo, Julie Tarnowski, and Gerardo, who will communicate with each other on various aspects of the project and report back at next month's committee meeting on their progress and needs going forward.
- 5) Updates with possible action:
 - a) Discussion regarding recent Sand Fire and local animal evacuation efforts. There were several suggestions for possible action, including the formation of the Foothill Equine Coalition with Sylmar and other equestrian communities in fire sensitive foothill areas.
 - b) Discussion and possible action to create a horse licensing working group to promote horse licensing in the area and to assist at the upcoming Poker Ride on Oct. 23. Laurie will get in touch with the Rangers and LA Animal Control to follow up on organizing this effort.
 - c) Discussion and possible action to financially support the Oct. 23 SF Rangers' Poker Ride. TABLED until next meeting due to lack of quorum.
 - d) Discussion and possible action to financially support the ETI Ho! Ho! Ride in December. Laurie will attend the next ETI Corral 20 meeting and find out what they need and present it to Budget;
 - e) Discussion and possible action on whether to include the EquestriVia in the Equine Fair for 2017. There was some discussion, but this item was TABLED until the October meeting when the Committee will begin work on next year's Equine Fair.
- 6) New items from the floor (3 mins. each item). None.
- 7) Notification of public hearings and/or community equestrian events.
 - a) Hansen Dam Advisory Meeting – Last Tues. of each month... Next one is August 30, 2016.
 - b) LA Equine Advisory Board Meeting, Monday, August 29, 6:30 pm, Friendship Hall, 3201 Riverside Dr.
 - c) ETI Corral 20 meetings are the last Monday of each month, next one is August 29, 2016
- 8) Approval of meeting minutes: Approved.
- 7) Committee member comments : None
- 9) Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm. The next meeting of the committee is Thursday, September 8.