

Town of Portola Valley <u>Nature and Science Committee Special Meeting</u> Thursday, March 10, 2022 – 5:00 PM

Special Videoconference Meeting via Zoom

VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING AGENDA

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1. Call to Order

- 2. Oral Communications (Anyone wanting to address the Committee or anyone wanting to speak on an item not on the agenda)
- 3. Minutes of February 10, 2022, meeting
- 4. Reports and Planning: September 30 for Star Party and May 6 for meteor showers
- 5. Other Events, and suggestions for future programs
- 6. Action Items:
 - a) Program proposals including setting dates
- 7. Discuss Composting ideas
- 8. Adjournment:

Next meeting - April 14, 2022, at 5:00 pm

Nature and Science Committee Meeting Minutes

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1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order on February 10 at 5:08pm.

2. Roll Call:

Attending Committee members: Andrew Browne, Brook Coffee, Bonnie Crater, Tedi Park and Yvonne Tryce. Absent: None. Town Council Advisor: Jeff Aalfs.

- 3. Oral Communications: Bonnie and the committee welcomed Tedi Park to the team.
- 4. Minutes of January 13, 2022, meeting -- the minutes for the January 13 meeting were unanimously approved.
- 5. Reports: Bonnie reported that she presented to the Town Council about the 7 zoom events the committee completed in 2021 as well the plans for 4 events in 2022. She proposed a \$1500 budget for events in 2022 to the Town Council.

6. Planning:

Meteor Showers: The committee discussed an evening event focused in meteor showers on May 6. The agenda may include a short zoom meeting hosted by Andrew Pierce. Tedi suggested that the committee have a meteor shower promotion #PVMeteorshower on Instagram. Book suggested a basket outside the town center with a star guide for town members to pick up. Bonnie suggested having a table. Brook suggested some fun glasses that turn stars into hearts. Also perhaps pizza special from one of the local pizza places for a picnic at Town Center. Yvonne will confirm the date (May 6) with Andrew and Bonnie will help fill out the forms to secure the date.

Star Party: Following up on the Star Party, the committee approved pursuing September 30 as the date for the Star Party. Andrew Pierce is the main lead on the start party. Yvonne will check with Andrew to confirm September 30th.

- 7. Water Event: The committee tabled the Water Event until we are more certain about in person events since that would involve using community hall.
- 8. Suggestions for future programs:

Compost Day: The committee discussed the idea of having a display for composing. Andy volunteered to use the power drill to drill holes. The committee would supply the worms for the bin in recycled yogurt containers. And soil. Yvonne will reach out to the sustainability committee about the project to test the level of interest.

- 9. Action Items: The committee proposed dates for the Meteor Shower (May 6) and Star Party (September 30) events. Yvonne to confirm with Andrew Pierce and Bonnie to help Yvonne fill out the required forms to get the event on the schedule.
- 10. Discuss Composting ideas. Discussed as item number 7.
- 10. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:55pm. The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 10 at 5pm.