



TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY

Nature and Science
Committee Meeting
October 9, 2025
5:00 p.m.

CJ Achterkirchen, Chair
Andrew Browne, Member
Brook Coffee, Member
Bonnie Crater, Member
Yvonne Tryce, Member

REGULAR MEETING – HISTORIC SCHOOLHOUSE 765 PORTOLA ROAD ~ PORTOLA VALLEY

REMOTE MEETING ADVISORY: On March 1, 2023, all committees in Portola Valley will return to conducting in-person meetings. A Zoom link will be provided for members of the public to participate remotely; however, the Town cannot guarantee there will be no technical issues with the software during the meeting. For best public participation results, attending the meeting in-person is advised.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**
2. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**
Speakers' time is limited to three minutes.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - a. GEC
4. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. Welcome new members Reid Kawaja and Emily Coffee
 - b. Discuss future public events
5. **OTHER BUSINESS**
 - a. Possible projects for the year ahead
6. **ADJOURNMENT**
The next regularly scheduled meeting date is December 11, 2025

Land Acknowledgement:

The Town of Portola Valley acknowledges the colonial history of this land we dwell upon—the unceded territory of the Ramaytush (rah-my-toosh) Ohlone, Tamien Nation, and Muwekma (mah-WEK-mah) Ohlone, who endured a human and cultural genocide that included removal from their lands and their sacred relationship to the land. Portola Valley recognizes that we profit from the commodification of land seized from indigenous peoples and now bear the ecological consequences. We seek to understand the impact of these legacies on all beings and to find ways to make repair.