



County of San Diego
Pine Valley Planning Group



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

October 8, 2013
Pine Valley Clubhouse
28890 Old Hwy 80, Pine Valley, CA.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chair, at 7:00 pm

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

3. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Vern Denham, Dorothy Haskins, Warren Larkin, Duane Mason, Joseph Moore, Jennie Munger, Brandon Perry, Matt Rabasco, Anne Steinemann, Jeff Strohming, Story Vogel

ABSENT:

PUBLIC: 31

4. MINUTES

MOTION: Approve Minutes of September 10, 2013 Regular Meeting as amended.

MOTION: Joseph Moore, 2nd: Story Vogel, VOTE: Passed 11-0

CORRESPONDENCE

- County is moving forward to approve funding for construction of the new all-weather ball field in the Pine Valley County Park

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Forest Service Representative will attend the November meeting to discuss brush removal and opposition to project.
- Go to Firetaxprotest.org to register protest against State Fire Protection Fee.

5. PRESENTATION FROM THE FLOOR ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

6. GROUP BUSINESS - None

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. MR. CARLOS VALDIVIA FROM THE FIRM ECOPLEXUS INC, FROM SAN FRANCISCO, CA WILL BE HERE TO DISCUSS A PROPOSED 30 ACRE SOLAR PANEL PROJECT IN THE PINE VALLEY AREA.**

Carlos Valdivia and Gary Eberhart from Ecoplexus presented proposed project along Buckman Springs Road (PDS2013-MPA-13-007)

Issues raised by Group:

- Visual impact to Scenic Highway (Old Highway 80).
- Visual Impact to viewshed in entire Buckman Springs Valley.
- Impact to Agricultural Resources (would Rezone Agricultural land).
- Benefits are not to community, just property owner, investor and SDG&E.
- Ecoplexus will not be the long term owner/operator of the project.
- Electromagnetic radiation from project?
- Impact to adjacent property values.

Issues raised by Public:

- Fire Protection requirements?
- Susceptibility to wind damage?
- Impact Arroyo Toad habitat?
- Are PV panels manufactured in US?
- Bird Collision with the panels?
- Light impact on dark skies for Mt Laguna Observatory
- Impact to Pacific Crest Trail.
- Hang gliders land in this area.
- No Benefit to Pine Valley
- Impact to insects and bees

MOTION – Approve the project as presented.

Motion – Story Vogel, Fails for lack of 2nd

MOTION - We find the project as presented to be inconsistent with the Central Mountain Community Plan and the General Plan.

Motion – Story Vogel, 2nd Joe Moore, Passed 11-0

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 pm

Next Regular Meeting: November 12, 2013

Respectfully submitted,



Jeff Strohming
Secretary

APPROVED 11-12-13