

# Jacumba Sponsor Group Final General Meeting Minutes Of 6/25/2013

## MEETING PRELIMINARIES

- Howard Cook, as acting Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:16PM.
- Howard requested the silencing all Cell Phones and Pagers and then led the pledge of allegiance.
- Howard called the roll: Helen Landman (excused absent) Shirley Fisher (present), Howard Cook (present),) and Pat Fauble (present). Howard established that there was a quorum.

## OLD BUSINESS

- **Minutes of Last Meeting** – There were no corrections to the minutes of last 05/28/2013 meeting. Shirley Fisher moved to accept the minutes as written. Pat Fauble seconded the motion. It was passed unanimously.
- **Discussion on Value of Sponsor Groups & Need for Recruitment**
  - We may need to fill more seats soon because of the age of current members. One of the challenges is the general lack of understanding in the community regarding the value of the Sponsor Group to the communities well-being
  - The Publisher of the new Jacumba newsletter stated that she would include an article about the importance in the next issue
  - Posters detailing some of the Sponsor Group's successes have been posted in the community
  - All agreed to continue talking to community members to educate them on the value of public service

## NEW BUSINESS

- a) Sponsor Group vacancy. Ralph Davis application for open seat was received in response to posting of the vacancy. Group approval to recommend Ralph to Supervisors. The motion made by Shirley Fisher, seconded by Pat Fauble. The motion was passed unanimously.
- b) There is a SANDAG meeting scheduled 06-26-13 at 6.00 (Campo Community Center) to discuss health care, transportation and East County regional planning. Howard Cook will go to represent the Sponsor Group, Bonnie Halfdell will represent Fire Safe Council and Myra Price the Highland Center and Women's Club.

## Correspondence

- a) Notice was received from the San Diego County Department of Public Works regarding repair to the two bridges at the west entrance of town. This work is expected to occur in the late fall. It is not anticipated that there will be any major impact to traffic flow
- b) The Clerk of the County Board of Supervisors has notified The Jacumba Hot Springs ( JHS) Sponsor Group that it has been selected for 2013 "Sunset justification" A questionnaire is in hand that the JHS Sponsor Group must complete before 11/30/2013. Shirley Fisher moved to ask Howard Cook to prepare the response to the County. The motion was seconded by Pat Fauble. The motion was passed unanimously. Everyone in the Group, as well as in the

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audience, expressed the value of the Sponsor Group to the community and urged it's continuing.

**Action Item:** Howard Cook to be in charge of response to Sunset letter by November deadline

### UPDATES AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

- **Border Patrol Update (Jason Bush)** Was contacted but didn't respond. Not present, no report. Will give them more notice next time.
- **Sheriff Update** –Not present, no report. Bill Pape is now on the Citizen Advisory Group for the Sheriff department. There will be a quarterly meeting in August. Meanwhile, Pape stated that we still should continue to invite the sheriff to our Sponsor Group meetings, as he will cover different issues. Pape suggested contacting the Sargent, as he would make sure someone attended.
- **SDGE Update**-Not Present, no report. Audience member stated that Cameron Durkel (our previous SDGE PR representative) has said that he would help us find the right person within SDGE to attend our next meeting. She also stated that SDG&E may have some grant money we could secure
- **Revitalization Committees updates**
  - **Railroad**-Cook read a WSJ press release from the June 20 WSJ describing the Pacific Imperial Railroads plans to renovate tracks, bridges and tunnels and move freight through the area. There was some community concern about noise as the pervious operators were not good neighbors. Cook pointed out that this was a well-funded company who would probably take a professional approach. There was a discussion on what the community could do to capitalize on this anticipated economic activity by making them aware of available goods and services as well as holding job fairs.
  - **Lake Committee** –Nothing new to report
  - **Murals**-Danielle Cook stated she would hear this week on whether the County awarded any money in the Neighborhood enhancement grants. She was optimistic
  - **Spa**- Opening Friday, June 28th.
  - **Community Clean-up** -Phase 2 (I♥ a clean Jacumba) Jun 1<sup>st</sup> was a huge success. Three 22-foot dumpsters were filled and \$336 was earned on recycles to be put towards next clean up.
  - **Centennial**-Thursday evenings meeting has been cancelled, as several key people would be absent. The Centennial meeting will take place as part of the regularly scheduled Revitalization meeting to be held Tuesday, July 2 at the Jacumba Library 6:30 PM
  - **Other**
    - ✓ The Jacumba Library Summer Reading Program sign-ups start on June 29<sup>th</sup>. The program is for all ages. There will be activities and prizes for children, teens, and adults. Participation keeps the library open.
    - ✓ There is a new Mt Empire Amateur Radio Club. They will meet twice a year at Majors Diner in Pine Valley and there is a \$10 fee to join. The club was put together so that they would have one call number for emergencies.
- **Boulevard, Jacumba, La Posta Fire Safe Council and Cert**–(Tammy Daubach)

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- Next Fire Safe Council meeting 7/29, 6:30 at the White Star FD at 1863 Tierra Del Sol Road at 6:30 PM.
- Participated in Mt Empire County Fair in Campo sponsoring a Children's game, a hugging booth, and a glitter tattoo booth. In a 3-hour period, they gave out 38 glitter tattoos, handed out 76 hug licenses, and had 21 children participate in the Fire Safe's Search Game. They raffled off a Home Emergency Supply Lit for 2 people for 3 days. Smokey the Bear picked the winning ticket, which was held by George Gasca of Calxico.
- **If someone** has received a citation and is unable to do the required clean up or hire someone to do it they should call Cal-Fire. They will get an extension and the Fire Safe Group will be called to help. There is no reason to be fined
- Our Community Wildfire Protection Plan needs to be updated. There will be 2-3 meetings in 2 of the 3 communities that are served. Community agencies, organizations, clubs etc. are encouraged to show up at these events, as the CWPP will impact our communities. Send Tammy Daubach Contact info.
- Greater SDFS awarded our Fire-safe with the Voluntary Family Award & tied for First Place on our Fire Safety Display
- Won Community Service Award for Community Change Project Drugs & Alcohol use in East County

### **NON-AGENDA PRESENTATIONS/QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

- The very large SDGE ECO substation project. Is underway.
- Cherry Deiffenbach suggested that we build something in Jacumba to attract more tourists like Borrego Springs did with their giant metal sculptures. It was decided that this is a revitalization matter and should be brought up at next week's Revitalization meeting.

### **Meeting Adjourned 7:25 PM**

### **Next Meeting – July 23, 2013 6:30 PM Jacumba Library**

**Email: agenda items to Howard;howwcook@yahoo.com**

Respectfully submitted by,  
Howard Cook-Sponsor Group Board Member and Secretary