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**REGULAR MEETING, MAY 5, 2015**  
**APPROVED MINUTES**

Scheduled start time: 7:00 PM

Place: Pauma Valley Community Center  
16650 Hwy. 76  
Pauma Valley, Ca. 92061

**1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 PM.**

- a. Roll Call and quorum established: Six members were present and we have one vacancy: Andy Mathews, Chairman; Brad Smith, Vice Chairman; Fritz Stumpges, Secretary; Ben Brooks; Robert Smith and Stephanie Spencer. Andy Mathews left the meeting after about 20 minutes leaving Vice Chairman Brad Smith in charge and 5 members present.

**2. REMEMBRANCE OF GROUP MEMBER , RON BARBANELL:**

- a. Andy began the meeting by remembering Ron Barbanell who served on our group for the past 3 years and just passed away. He made major contributions to the board, environment and community. He initiated a breakthrough in communication between peoples who had developed much distrust and largely ceased trying to work together. We paused for a minute and contemplated his life and gave thanks to the creator for him. We really miss Ron.

**3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- a. The minutes of March 3, 2015 had been previously submitted to all, corrected and resubmitted. There was a motion to approve but Stephanie began a discussion of the FTT motion and ensuing document noting our approval which was sent to the county. The group members carefully discussed their recollection of the discussion and intent on March 3, the exact wording of both the approval motion as stated in the minutes and the wording of the document sent to the County. It was concluded that there was a subtle difference in the document submitted to the County from the Group's intent and motion, i.e., to approve the FTT as long as there would be continuity of legal easements and to also include a summary of nontribal community concerns for the County's information. The document which was submitted to the County could have been interpreted to be a statement of approval of the FTT *provided* that there could be *assurances* respecting the community's concerns.

We felt that we should clarify our communication to the County. The clarification would restate our approval of the FTT as long as the existing legal easements would remain in force. We also felt we should inform the County of the non-tribal community's concerns. Robert gave a motion to correct the minutes (FTT Response) to reflect what we voted on, and to write the clarification to the County and write a separate letter to the county that states the concerns of the non-tribal community. Ben suggested that we prepare the clarification letter as Robert moved but instead of a separate letter about non-tribal community concerns, that we include the statement of those concerns within the document. Robert agreed, Stephanie gave the second and it was carried unanimously 5-0. Brad asked that he be given the authority to prepare the draft clarification document as moved since no one else volunteered, Robert so moved, Fritz gave the second, Robert added that it should be circulated among the Group members for review prior to sending and Brad agreed. The motion passed 5-0.

We then returned to the motion to approve the March minutes. Fritz wanted to add one more page to Addendum B that was discovered that reflected Ron's wishes to be recorded, the addition of which was approved in 5a in March's minutes and it was agreed to. Ben then moved to approve the March minutes with the changes we have approved today, Stephanie gave the second and they were approved 5-0.

#### **4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION, OPEN FORUM:**

- a. This is an informal opportunity for community comments. Fritz began by introducing Stephen Paul, the County Parks Projects manager who he has been working with to further our 5 year goal of improving the Pauma Valley Community Center's baseball field using PLDO funds. Mr. Paul explained that the process would start with the creation and approval of a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement between PVCA and the County. This is because the land is not owned by the county and PVCA must agree to all contractual requirements to use the funds there. It would take about 4 months to complete and then the funds would be available to improve this community park per stated use in the JEPA. The preliminary proposal scope was to install artificial turf and higher outfield fencing. The Group reaffirmed that the current improvement stated in our 5 year plan remains our priority.

Fritz then introduced Brandy Contreras from the County Crime Prevention department of the Sheriff's department. He asked her to come because she is the point person from law enforcement dealing with the illegal encampment that we have been writing the County about for over 6 months. It has grown from 2 'family camps' to 4 – 6 and now at least 8 motor/mobile homes/tents complete with campfires, hanging laundry, and now children, all without water or septic! Brandy stated that she was here to invite us to a meeting tomorrow night at 6:30 at Pauma Elementary School where the illegal aspects and reporting/prevention steps that the public can take in this and other similar situations. She stated that she has been pursuing EPA, Fish and Wildlife, Land and Water Quality, County Code Enforcement, and now she just learned of the non-payment of Water District Fees.

Vice-chairman Temet Aguilar, from the Pauma Nation, explained that their chairman Majel wanted to be here for the FTT discussion but had prior business and couldn't make it. He said that he would report back to him the results of this meeting. There were no further comments.

#### **5. ACTION ITEMS:**

- a. Brad then began the one action item we had on the agenda. It concerned the "Proposed 2015 General Plan" clean up. Brad asked if there were any comments to the prior circulation of the proposal which we had to review. Fritz asked if anyone else had found anything other than true clarifications to the existing plan, because he is now quite suspicious of the county wanting to 'clarify' things, such as they are trying with LEED-ND 'equivalent'. Ben said that he saw lots of comments from Fallbrook and Valley Center but none from Pauma Valley because they were inconsequential, true clean ups. Brad added that he agreed and Fritz moved to approve our portion of the 'Clean Up' and that Brad sends the county our approval. Stephanie and Ben gave seconds, seconds apart and it was approved 5-0.

#### **6. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:**

- a. Brad then introduced our review of new Groundwater Management Legislation on Land Use and Development in the PPCSG region and the determination of recommendations if any by PPCSG. We did not have the complete details with Andy absent but Brad had some information. There are new regulations that have been passed in California that will mandate that all groundwater basins that are non-adjudicated, such as many including our San Luis Rey, must have a designated agency or agencies that are responsible for developing a groundwater management plan by the year 2020. It must guarantee the sustainability of the groundwater supply in the basin. There are numerous agencies that can apply and say that they meet the requirements (which appear to be very lax) and therefore become the controlling agency. It is believed that once appointed they cannot be appealed! Without a

larger overseeing agency, local water agencies could continue their self-serving fights for the water and break up the basin into individual areas. Brad thought that it was Andy's intent to see if we wanted to make a statement and if we wanted to ask that San Diego County become the Agency to be the lead agency for our basin. Nikki reminded us that one problem with this is that the basin contains numerous Tribal entities which are not under county control and it would require their cooperation and agreement not to mention the existing San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority representing 5 tribes. She recommended that we call for a meeting of affected groups to open discussion and communication on possibilities. Stephanie asked how could the county control water when they encourage building ever where and there is no water? Fritz was strongly against the county solution because they respect property rights, including guaranteed water, above their mandate to control growth. Brad brought us back to the fact that there will be an agency which will do this. Fritz felt that only the Federal Government, through some Clean Water Authority or something, could work with all the players. Robert Smith said that they only worked with them and not the state on water issues. Ben felt that we needed to create a local entity that would represent our rights and concerns within the overall big picture. He added that we should not be trying to make statements towards solutions now but be trying to study the issue to become informed. Nikki added that now we need to all come together as a community to solve a problem of survival. Robert Smith said that it might be good to get all of the existing water agencies together with the state authorities who can let everyone know what the rules are. Maybe they could build a coalition from that and see where they want to go. We decided to talk to water entities we are involved with to better inform ourselves and to make this an agenda item for next meeting to determine what might be the role of this board in coming up with a plan to meet the new requirements.

- b. We entirely missed and skipped item b. dealing with "leapfrog developments" in relation to LEED-ND.

We then moved to item c dealing with the vacancy we now have in our group. Brad stated that we probably should move forward but that perhaps didn't need to right now if we could be sure that we could retain quorums. Stephanie brought up possible issues with an interested party and there was some confusion on requirements. There was a statement that an applicant needed to be a land or business owner.

- c. Bobby Graziano spoke. He would consider applying but he needed to still determine whether or not he had sufficient time to give it his full support. We were glad to have his and other interested parties present. Fritz stated that in the past the group used to require applicants come to several meetings so everyone could get to know each other before a decision was made. Ben moved to postpone our search for 3 months, Robert Smith gave the second and it was approved 5-0.
- d. There were no communications received. Andy has submitted operating expenses of \$37.79 for copier ink and \$58.00 for the annual PO Box rental. Stephanie moved to authorize payment and Brad gave the second and this was approved 5-0.
- e. The date of the next meeting is June 2, 2015 at 7 PM.

- 7. **ADJOURNMENT:** Ben moved to adjourn at 8:20 PM and Robert gave the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Unanimously carried.

These minutes were approved at the June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Ben moved to approved as submitted, Brad gave the second and they were approved 6-0.

Fritz Stumpges, PPCSG Secretary