County of San Diego
BORREGO SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday March 2nd, 2017 at 4:30 P.M.
Borrego Springs High School Community Room
2281 Diegueno Road, Borrego Springs, California

Administrative Items

A. Chair R. Falk called the meeting to order at 4:29 p.m.

B. Roll Call of Members. Members present: Tom Beltran, Rebecca Falk, David Farley, Judy Haldeman, Bonnie Petrach and Linda Haddock. Member absent: None.

C. Approval of the Agenda. Haldeman moved to approve the agenda; Petrach seconded. All members voted to approve the March 2nd Agenda.

D. Members’ review of maps and other printed materials for meeting: Chair Falk had a package from Verizon showing the location of an existing cell tower that Verizon would like to install an additional microwave dish to.

E. Consideration and approval of Minutes from the meeting(s) of February 2, 2017: Haldeman moved to approve the minutes with minor corrections, Petrach seconded. Corrections were noted and all members voted to approve the February 2 minutes as amended.

F. Public Comment: an opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Sponsor Group on any subject matter within the group’s jurisdiction that is not already on today’s agenda, with a time limit of three minutes (3:00) per speaker.

None

G. Correspondence & Chair’s report: Chair Falk noted to the members that FORM 700, conflict of interest declaration, was due by April 3rd to the County of San Diego.

H. Chair Falk noted that a request was made by the owners of the old motel on Borrego Valley Road to have its zoning changed back to its historical zoning of motel use. No action to be taken at this meeting since the request was too late for inclusion on the agenda.

I. Housing element update. The County corresponded with Chair Falk about a study of areas that are zoned for “lower to middle income, higher density” housing. Bill Wright was present and spoke about the land. He had previously donated a portion of the land for the new library only. Mr. Wright informed the group that the land was donated for civic use only, no commercial use.

J. Committee reports: Chair Falk announced the first meeting of the Borrego Springs Groundwater Sustainability Advisory Committee will be held on March 6th at 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Borrego Springs High School Community Room.

K. Member Haldeman spoke about the new Library. She was asked to attend a meeting by the County in regards to the three contractors/architect proposals for the new library. Library, Parks and the Sheriffs department had representatives at the meeting. 3 designs were presented at the meeting. Judy said it was a long but very interesting meeting concerning materials, look, landscaping, etc. She also noted that all three contractors were asked to complete the design and build within 365 days. They all agreed that they could. No action taken by the group. Mr. Bill Wright again spoke noting that the sewer connection was being installed by Fredericks Construction and being paid for by the Wright Family Foundation.
Action Items

A. Joann Stoddard from Verizon communications made a presentation about a major use permit to install a microwave dish on an existing microwave tower that the County owns on land that Verizon owns on Henderson Canyon Road, out by the “pegleg” area. The new microwave dish would help move more cellular calls out of our area. Member Haddock moved to approve the major use permit as presented, Petrach seconded. All members approved, motion passed.

B. Motion to fill Borrego Springs Community Sponsor Group seat number one that is being vacated by member Tom Beltran. Citizen Clint Brandin applied for seat one. Member Haldeman moved to approve Mr. Brandin to seat one, Farley seconded. All members voted aye. Motion approved.

Non-Action Items

A. Continuing “read through” of the Borrego Springs Community Plan pages 36 and 38, Lights and Lighting and Construction Standards and Roads and Parking Lots. Next meeting we will begin the discussion on page 38, Issue LU-3.9 Multi-story Construction.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m. after Haddock so moved, Haldeman seconded. All members voted “aye”.

David Farley, Secretary

The next regular meeting will be held April 6, 2017 at 4:30 P.M. at the Borrego Springs High School Community Room, 2281 Diegueno Road, Borrego Springs, CA  92004.

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