County of San Diego
BORREGO SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday September 7, 2017 at 4:30 P.M.
NEW LOCATION (as of June 2017): Borrego Springs Library Meeting Room
587 Palm Canyon Dr. #125, Borrego Springs, California

Administrative Items

A. Call to Order. CALL TO ORDER WAS AT 4:28 p.m.
B. Roll Call of Members – MEMBERS PRESENT – Bonnie Petrach, Clint Brandin, Chair Rebecca Falk, Linda Haddock, Bill Haneline, Secretary David Farley. MEMBERS ABSENT – Judy Haldeman.
C. Approval of the Agenda. MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED motion made by Secretary David Farley, seconded by Bonnie Petrach. All members voted aye, motion to approve the agenda as presented passed.
D. Members’ review of maps and other printed materials for meeting: 15 minutes. NO MAPS OR PRINTED MATERIALS PRESENTED.
E. Consideration and approval of Minutes from the meetings of August 3, 2017 – Member Brandin moved to approve the August 3rd minutes with member Haddock seconding. Discussion of minor changes of misspelled name. Motion voted on and August 3rd minutes approved unanimously.
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. – (1) Roger Reis from the American Legion Post in Borrego Springs informed the Group that a new cell tower was to be built on their, (the American Legion’s) property and that the developers will come to the Group for approval.
G. Correspondence: Dark Sky Welcome Signs Follow Up; Shelly Tregembo, PDS. Chair Falk informed the Group that the Dark Sky signs are in the works with the County. Chair Falk informed the Group of a conversation with Shelly Tregembo from the County the since the Group was meeting during a scheduled “dark” month that missing this meeting should not count as a missed meeting as to pertains to consecutive missed meetings by Group members. Chair Falk informed the Group that the new park will be built completely (phase one and phase two) with County money instead of in two phases. Ground breaking will take place during “Borrego Days” October 21st.
H. Committee/Advisory Group reports, including Borrego Valley Groundwater Sustainability Plan Advisory Committee. Falk noted that she sent letters to members of the groundwater sustainability group advocating using any proposition one grant funds awarded for the community and not by the County to defray the Borrego Environmental Impact Report (E.I.R.) costs. She noted the reason as we, Borrego Springs Community, are an economically disadvantaged community.

I. Action Items

A. Borrego Springs Library Site Plan Exemption. Email and building site plan out to Members and Mark Zabonik, Project Manager, Dept of General Services, will be present to explain and answer questions. Presentation was made to exempt the project from the County site plan which would hold up the park project for a possible two years. Member Haddock moved to sign the exemption with Member Petrach seconding. All members voting Aye, the motion passed.
B. Discussion and Possible Action on County of San Diego Climate Action Plan, Draft Supplemental EIR and General Plan Amendment. See: http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/Climate_Action_Plan_Public_Review.html - Chair Falk moved to submit a letter to the County on specific issues including transportation, farmer’s markets, roof top solar. Member Haneline seconded. All members voted aye, motion passed.

Informational and Non-Action Items

A. Discussion of any NEXT STEPS items from the August 3, 2017 meeting. No next steps taken.
B. Borrego Springs Community Plan Review/Discussion. No discussion this meeting.

Next Steps

A. Due to inclement weather, the meeting was called short and no Community Plan Discussion was had.
B. Member Petrach moved to adjourn with Member Haddock seconding. All members voting aye, the motion to adjourn at 5:10 p.m. was passed unanimously.

The next regular meeting will be held October 5, 2017 at 4:30 P.M. at the Borrego Springs Library Meeting Room, 587 Palm Canyon Drive #125, Borrego Springs, CA 92004. There will be no meeting in August 2017 unless a special meeting is called, and if that happens, it will be publicly noticed 72 hours in advance. If this Agenda is revised, a revised copy will be posted 72 or more hours prior to the meeting. The final Agenda may include additional Administrative or Non-Action items. For further information contact the Chair at rebfalk7@gmail.com. Address U.S. mail to: Community Sponsor Group, P.O. Box 1371, Borrego Springs, CA 92004-1371.

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