

County of San Diego
BORREGO SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday October 5, 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; The meeting commenced at 4:30 p.m.
- B. Roll Call of Members; Members present include Chair Rebecca Falk, Secretary David Farley, Judy Haldeman, Linda Haddock, Clint Brandin and Bill Haneline. Members absent – Bonnie Petrach.
- C. Approval of the Agenda; Secretary Farley moved to approve the meeting's agenda as presented. Haldeman seconded. All members voting "aye", the agenda was approved unanimously.
- D. Members' review of maps and other printed materials for meeting: 15 minutes; No printed material or maps presented to the Group.
- E. Consideration and approval of Minutes from the meetings of September 7, 2017; Member Petrach moved to approve the minutes from the Sept. 7th. 2017 meeting with member Haneline seconding. Corrections were brought to the Secretary. Petrach moved to approve the minutes with corrections to be made and Haneline seconded. Member Haldeman abstained due to her being absent from the Sept. 7th meeting. All other members voted "aye" and the motion was passed.
- 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. No public comments were made.
- G. Correspondence: Sent to San Diego County re: Climate Action Plan; Chair Falk presented a copy of a letter she had drafted to be sent to the County concerning the Climate Action Plan. Falk noted that a copy had been sent via email to all Group members.
- H. Committee/Advisory Group reports; Two items were brought to the table by Chair Falk. The Groundwater Sustainability Plan Advisory Committee and a public parks recreation programming plan. Both items were noted as either in "Action Items" or under "Information and Non Action Items" on the agenda and would be discussed during that portion of the meeting.

Action Items

- A. Mesquite Trails Temp Map Extension PDS2017-TM-5373TE. Extension of time for project that was previously approved by the Borrego Springs Community Sponsor Group. 309 acre site just east of Borrego Valley Rd at Tilting T would create 480 recreational vehicle lots and 28 recreation or open space lots; Wendy Basera was introduced as the owner of the "Mesquite Trails" project by Doug Wilson, an architect for the project. Doug made a presentation to the Group outlining the projects scope. Doug spoke about the planning and said they were targeting a groundbreaking within one year. He also spoke of water saving measures that will be implemented in the construction of the development and noted that the ground plan had been approved by the County. They will be extending the existing B.W.D. water main that runs down Tilting T to their development on Borrego Valley Road. Secretary Farley was asked if this project was close to his home. He indicated that they shared a common border and needed to recuse himself from any discussion or voting on this project. Chair Falk would like to have any decisions made by the Group to reflect the overdraft situation of our valley. Member Petrach moved to approve the Mesquite Trails tentative map extension as presented to the Group. Haldeman seconded. Chair Falk moved to amend the original motion to include language noting the overdraft of the aquifer. Petrach seconded. Haldeman, Petrach, Haneline and Falk voted in favor of the amended motion. Brandin and Haddock voted no. Farley remained recused. The motion passed with a majority.
- B. Groundwater Sustainability Plan Advisory Committee Formal Decisions: 1. Metering Requirements for Non de Minimis Wells (for all wells pumping more than 2 acre feet per year of water) and 2. Baseline Pumping Allocations (prior to any required reductions in water use under SGMA – The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act). – Falk presented two issues to the Group involving questions. One was is the Group for or against mandatory metering of all wells pumping greater than two acre feet of water per year. Member Haddock moved to vote on the first issue. Haldeman seconded. Discussion was made by members. A vote was taken. "ayes" were Haneline, Haldeman, Falk Petrach, Brandin and Haddock. "Nays" were Farley. Motion passed. A "question" was in concern for monitoring of the water well meters, whether it would be Borrego Water District, a third party or possibly through telemetry. The vote was presented as a "straw poll" .Item one was whether the metering would be monitored by BWD. Six members voted positive. The next question was over third party monitoring. One member voted for that. The third question was telemetry should be used to remotely monitor wells. All members voted positively. The second issue was when the

“baseline” allocation for pumping would be considered. A 10 year period between years 2005 and 2015 was presented. A motion was made by member Haneline in favor of the ten year baseline pumping allocation from years 2005 to 2015. Haldeman seconded. “Ayes” were Falk, Haddock, Haldeman, Haneline, Farley and Brandin. “Nays” was Petrach. Motion passed.

- C. Possible formation of a committee in response to the County of San Diego, Department of Parks and Recreations, Request for Borrego Springs Parks Lands Dedication Ordinance (PLDO) and Recreation Programming Plan Priority List and Review of Parks Master Plan. A committee was formed of Haldeman, Farley and Haddock with a meeting to be agreed upon by them.

Informational and Non-Action Items

- A. Mark Massen, Department of Parks and Recreation with an update on improvements to the new park design. Mark presented an updated graphic of the new park and spoke about the upcoming groundbreaking on October 21st. He noted that every year, money is available for improvements to the park or recreational opportunities for the park patrons. We, as the Sponsor Group, are charged with the duty of creating a list of needs for our park community.
- B. Announcement from San Diego County regarding Community Development Block Grant Applications Period open until October 27th. Member Petrach spoke about the grants available for public use.
- C. Discussion of any NEXT STEPS items from the September 7, 2017 meeting. No next steps discussed.
- D. Borrego Springs Community Plan Review/Discussion. No discussion was made due the length of this meeting. Our last discussion was on page 46, item 2.2.

Haddock moved to adjourn the meeting and Haldeman seconded. Having all members voting “Aye” the motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Presented by Secretary David Farley.

The next regular meeting will be held November 2, 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. For further information contact the Chair at rebfolk7@gmail.com. Address U.S. mail to: Community Sponsor Group, P.O. Box 1371, Borrego Springs, CA 92004-1371.

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