COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, BORREGO SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP
***MEETING MINUTES***
Thursday, February 4, 2021 4:30 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL  Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m.  Present Chair Rebecca Falk, Vice-Chair Bonnie Petrach, Secretary Judy Haldeman, Bill Haneline.  Absent – Clint Brandin and David Farley.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF 01/7/2020.  MOTION: Approval of the Minutes.  Petrach M, Haneline S.  Minor editing corrections were suggested.  Approval.  Unanimous.

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION (may be limited to 3 min): Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Group on any subject matter within the Group’s jurisdiction that is not on the posted agenda.

D. ACTION ITEMS:
   1. Vote to recommend an applicant for noticed Sponsor Group vacancy for seat #6.  Procedure will be:  a) 3 to max 5 minute public statements from each applicants whose application has been certified by the Registrar of Voters (why each wants to be on the Sponsor Group and what each brings to the position), b) Q & A’s following each statement, c) Sponsor Group vote, with applicants named in reverse chronological order by last name, until all members have voted.  As of publishing this agenda, there are four applicants:  John Peterson, Julie Gerson, James Dax and Bill Berkley.  3 votes for John Peterson and 1 vote for Julie Gerson.

E. NON-ACTION ITEMS:
   1. Update on the Sponsor Group request to Supervisor Jim Desmond to forward our recommendation to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (BOS) to expand the Sponsor Group by two seats and to seat two recommended applicants.  Falk stated that the recommendation of the Supervisor is that we stay with 7 members or increase to include all current applicants.  This item will be on the agenda again in March.

F. GROUP BUSINESS:
   1. Announcements & Correspondence Received:  a) Update on Palm Canyon Sidewalks Project in process, BSCSG will be given an updated presentation by County Traffic Engineering once revised plans are ready in upcoming months.  This will be presented at March meeting.  b) Correspondence from Supervisor Desmond’s office about 1/27/21 BOS meeting item #4 related to Marijuana (develop zoning to allow dispensaries and cultivation, etc.).  Board framework letter is in the BSCSG Agenda Packet.  Both Supervisor Desmond and Supervisor/BOS Chair Fletcher are requesting that the public attend or send in e-comments.  See Agenda Packet for how to “Voice Your Opinion on Board Items.”  c) Follow-up on the previous Borrego Valley Stewardship Council (BVSC) presentation introducing their work to the Sponsor Group:  See the letter from the Local Government Commission (a nonprofit) in the Agenda Packet with a link to an article about Borrego’s future with focus on the BVSC.  The Community Plan (CP) Update is mentioned, and although the article doesn’t really explain this, San Diego County will guide the CP Update process through the Sponsor Group, and also welcomes input from the BVSC as a community group.  d) La Casa Solar Project Fence Options.  We have received ideas from two sources, Nancy McRae and Judy Haldeman, and those emails are in the Agenda Packet.  I have forwarded these ideas on to La Casa and the County Project Manager.
   2. Discussion Items:  None.
   3. Subcommittee Reports:  Code Compliance, if any; PLDO (Park Lands Dedication Ordinance) Priority update, if any.

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4. **Meeting Updates:** None.

G. **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** To adjourn meeting. Haneline M, Petrach S. Unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held March 4, 2021, 4:30 pm via teleconferencing or, if County and State directives allow it, at the Borrego Springs Library Community Room, 2850 Country Club Rd, Borrego Springs, California

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