County of San Diego
BORREGO SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, Jan 3, 2013
Borrego Springs High School Community Room
2281 Diegueño Road, Borrego Springs, CA 92004

Administrative Items

A. Roll Call: The meeting was called to order at 4:32PM.
   Present: Beltran, R. Caldwell, Dr. Caldwell, Haldeman, King, Webb
   Absent: Shugart
B. Members and those present reviewed maps and material relevant to agenda items.
C. The regular meeting minutes from Oct 4, 2012 and Nov 1, 2012 were approved as
   presented (5 in favor, 0 opposed, R. Caldwell abstained).
D. Public Correspondence: Kerin Shugart’s letter of resignation from the sponsor
   group was received.
E. Public Comment: Mark Berlin of Sprint Wireless announced that his company
   had requested a minor use permit for a minor modification to the cell tower that is
   on fire district property on Stirrup Rd. The modification will remove three of the
   four existing 54-inch panel antennas and replace them with three 72” antennas.
   The current tower is 100 feet tall. This project will appear as an action item on
   the Feb, 2013 agenda.
F. Schedule and/or reports of subcommittees and meetings: Sam Webb had no new
   information regarding the Sahara Mustard Eradication Task Force. Abby King
   mentioned that she had spoken to Michael Long regarding the pedestrian study
   that was done a couple of years ago. Grant funds are being pursued to build the
   first priority identified, to build a sidewalk to the high school.

Non Action Items

1. Review of Progress/Activity/Developments within All of the Special Study Areas
   Called for in the Community Plan; Farmlands, Village Core, Borrego Sink – A
   proposal was made for bio mitigation/opens space easement on the Bowen Site
   TPM 21027.

Action Item

1. Proposed Radio Tower – Borrego Springs Christian Center – Weather Vane and
   Country Club Rd. – Abby King moved that the Borrego Springs Sponsor Group
   forward a letter to the appropriate county department referencing this project and
   our lack of support for it as it’s currently proposed. Judy Haldeman seconded.
   The motion passed unanimously (6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained).
2. Reclamation Plan Application for Borrego Rock & Sand Mine – MUP P77-64 Clark Dry Lake – Abby King suggested that the sponsor group request a concise plan and the descriptions of impacts from the project. Once the sponsor group has the information, it will be discussed again. Judy Haldeman proposed that we request that County Planner Jim Bennet postpone this for a month and that Jim come speak to the sponsor group. If Jim can’t come, then the sponsor group will write a letter to inform the county of our comments and concerns. The item will be on the Feb, 2013 agenda. No vote was taken.

3. Group Vacancies – Applications/Process for New Group Members – Abby King moved to nominate Rich Caldwell as chairman. Sam Webb seconded. The motion passed unanimously (6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained). Sam Webb moved to nominate Abby King as vice chairperson. Judy Haldeman seconded. The motioned carried unanimously (6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained). Rich Caldwell moved to nominate Tom Beltran as secretary. Judy Haldeman seconded. The motion passed unanimously (6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained).

4. Proposed Amendment to the Ground Water Ordinance – Abby King moved to support the amendment as it goes before the Board of Supervisors. Sam Webb seconded. The motion passed (4 in favor, Beltran opposed, Dr. Caldwell abstained).

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26PM.