Administrative Items

A. Call to Order – meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m.
B. Roll Call of Members – present: Caldwell, R; Caldwell, Dr. S; Haldeman, Falk. Absent: Webb and Beltran
C. Approval of Agenda – Dr. Caldwell moved approval as submitted, Falk seconded, unanimous approval.
D. Members’ review of maps and other printed materials for meeting – Phil Cleary distributed maps of his property for discussion under Non-Action Items B.
E. Consideration and approval of Minutes from the meeting of December 5, 2013. Dr. Caldwell moved approval of minutes as submitted, Haldeman seconded. Unanimous approval.
F. Correspondence. None
G. Committee Reports. None
H. Public Comment. None

Action Items

A. Annual organizational meeting items, including: a) regular meeting schedule for February 2014 through January 2015; and b) nomination and election of Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary to begin serving terms commencing with the end of this January meeting and ending at the end of the January 2015 regular monthly meeting. Motion to approve calendar for 2014 made by Falk, seconded by Dr. Caldwell. Unanimous approval. Nomination of R. Caldwell for Chair moved by Haldeman, seconded by Dr. Caldwell. Falk, Haldeman and Dr. Caldwell approved. R Caldwell abstained. Nomination of Haldeman for Vice Chair moved by Dr. Caldwell, R. Caldwell seconded.
Falk, R. Caldwell and Dr. Caldwell approved. Haldeman abstained. Appointment of secretary was postponed.

B. Consideration of candidates to recommend as a replacement for vacant seat #11, expiring January 5, 2017. Bonnie Petrach submitted an application for consideration. She stated that she had worked for San Diego County Housing and Human Development for 27 years and is living full-time in Borrego Springs. She commented that she would like the opportunity to give back to her community by joining the Sponsor Group. Motion to recommend Petrach for seat #11 made by Haldeman, seconded by Dr. Caldwell. Unanimous approval.

C. Discussion and possible action on a request for Sponsor Group support for County Traffic Engineer’s recommendation to install yield controls along Tilting T Drive at the Flying H Road, Frying Pan Road and Double O Road intersections with the amendment that the yield signs would be placed on the side streets. Motion by Falk to support the County Traffic Engineer’s recommendation to install yield controls along Tilting T Drive at Flying H Road, Frying Pan Road and Double O Road. Seconded by Dr. Caldwell. Unanimous approval.

Non-Action Items

A. Continuing discussion of Specific Plans and Special Study Areas in the Borrego Springs Community Plan of August 3, 2011, as updated subsequently. Two study groups were present today at 3:15 – Farmland and Christmas Circle for discussion.

B. Possible pre-application discussion of rezoning of commercial parcels at the northeast corner of Ocotillo Drive and Palm Canyon Drive. Phil Cleary was present to ask the Sponsor Group for its support to rezone two parcels that he owns along Palm Canyon Drive from C42 to C36. R. Caldwell commented that he wants to keep the zoning consistent with the Community Plan. Falk commented that a rezoning brings up consistency issues with other property owners and asked if there was a specific development planned for this parcel. Cleary stated that there was not a specific development planned at this time.

Motion to adjourn meeting made at 5:22 p.m. by Falk with second by Dr. Caldwell. Unanimous approval.

Minutes submitted by Haldeman substituting for Beltran.