

**County of San Diego**  
**BORREGO SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Thursday March 3, 2016 at 4:30 P.M.**  
**Borrego Springs High School Community Room**  
**2281 Diegueno Road, Borrego Springs, California**

**Administrative Items**

- A. Chair Tom Beltran. Call to order at 4:35
- B. Roll Call of Members. Members present: Tom Beltran, chairman, David Farley, Judy Haldeman, Rebecca Falk and Bonnie Petrach. Members absent: N.A.
- C. Approval of the Agenda. Petrach moved to approve the agenda; Falk seconded. Beltran, Falk, Farley, Haldeman and Petrach voted "aye".
- D. Public Comment: Farley brought up comment on storage containers on empty lots. Asked if Code Enforcement from the County might be brought in to speak about the issue. Chairman Beltran stated it was not in our prevue and the matter was dropped.
- E. Beltran made public comment on the General Plan Amendment concerning "Rudyville" and another area close to the Roadrunner Club slated for single family home development. Water being the main issue with increased development.
- F. A member from the public made comment on water usage as possibly not as much as stated in the local paper's statistics.
- G. Public concern made from an attending citizen over publication of public comments and names of commenter's. It was noted that all information collected during meetings is public record and the meetings may be recorded and definably posted as public record by the County of San Diego.
- H. Maps.
- I. Consideration of approval of minutes from Feb. 4 meeting. Falk made comment that Farley's minutes were very brief and since the public had access to the record, they may need more information than presented. Beltran presented a second version of the minutes produced by him due to questions asked at previous meeting. Farley's version of minutes not approved. Beltran's version approved. Falk moved, Petrach second. Unanimously approved.
- J. Presentation to the Group representative from Vincenzo Morrellis concerning an addition to an existing home in the Ram's Hill development. The Group asked questions concerning the Ram's Hill home owner's association's approval. It was stated that they approved. The Group approved the addition. Haldeman moved to approve, ----- seconded. Group approved.
- K. Caldwell Stable project. Beltran noted no action required. Owner Sylvia Caldwell made comment that the newly acquired permit made her stable the only legally operating horse boarding stable in Borrego Springs.
- L. A letter was sent to the B.S. Sponsor Group from a concerned citizen from Ramona asking the Group to consider rendering an opinion as either a letter or possibly a visit to the San Diego Board of Supervisors meeting opposing the opening of Medical Marijuana dispensaries. Farley moved that as a Group that we oppose Medical Marijuana dispensaries. Noting that as a prescription drug, it should be dispensed as with any other medicine in a pharmacy, rather than an exclusionary "dispensary". Beltran seconded the motion made by Farley to ban dispensaries and limit the prescription drug "marijuana" to licensed pharmacies. Farley, Beltran-In favor, Falk, Petrach, Haldeman oppose. Motion defeated.

- M. Sponsor Group Applicants for open seats 5 and 6. – Two approved applicants were received by Chairman Beltran. A third applicant was received after the closing notice date. Misunderstanding from the County as to the designated number of one of the vacant seats was addressed by Chairman Beltran. Procedures were discussed by Chairman Beltran as pertaining to approval of new members and where the rules may be found. Chairman Beltran read the rules to the Group. Seats number five had one qualifying applicant. William Berkley. Haldeman moved to approve William Berkley for vacant seat 5, Farley seconded.

### **Non-Action Items**

- A. None

### **Action Items**

- A. Sponsor Group Applicants for open seats 5 and 6. – Two approved applicants were received by Chairman Beltran. A third applicant was received after the closing notice date. Misunderstanding from the County as to the designated number of one of the vacant seats was addressed by Chairman Beltran. Procedures were discussed by Chairman Beltran as pertaining to approval of new members and where the rules may be found. Chairman Beltran read the rules to the Group. Seat number five had one qualifying applicant and seat number 6 had one qualifying applicant. Seat number 5 was William Berkley. Haldeman moved to approve William Berkley for vacant seat 5, Farley seconded. Further discussion was made over open seats. Chairman Beltran brought order to the Group that we follow County policy for electing new members after much research by him into the matter. Further discussion clarifying County policy to the Group was made. Chairman Beltran moved to consider the two qualifying applicants, Farley seconded. Applicant for seat 6, Joseph Hopkins was present for questions by the Group. William Berkley was voted unanimously by the Group for seat number 5. Joseph Hopkins was moved for approval by Farley, seconded by Beltran with Falk opposed and Petrach abstaining. Motion not approved and seat 6 remains unfilled.
- B. Groundwater Sustainability Plan Advisory Group. It was asked of the Borrego Springs Community Sponsor Group to provide a member to the newly formed Groundwater Sustainability Plan Advisory Group. Chairman Beltran nominated Farley to be our representative to them due to his private well ownership. Chairman Beltran noted that private, individual well owners were not represented. Falk nominated herself noting her being an interested water district user and frequent attendee of the Water Coalition meetings and her familiarity with their policies. Haldeman seconded Falk's motion. No second to Chairman Beltran's motion. Falk's motion, Petrach, Haldeman, Farley, aye. Beltran nay. Falk appointed by the Group as their representative to the Water Coalition's Advisory Group.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. A letter sent to Chairman Beltran from Kevin Johnston, asking for time at the next Group meeting to present a proposal for 300 additional homesites in the area known as "Rudyville", to be called Borrego Country Club Estates.

Continuing discussion of the Borrego Springs Community Plan. Due to time limitations, the monthly discussion was tabled. Haldeman suggested that we hold this earlier in the meeting. It was noted that the Group has a limited window of time at our present venue.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m. after Haldeman so moved, Petrach seconded. Beltran, Falk, Farley, Haldeman and Petrach voted “aye”.

David Farley, Secretary

The next regular meeting will be held April 7<sup>th</sup>. at 4:30 P.M. at the Borrego Springs High School Community Room, 2281 Diegueno Road, Borrego Springs, CA 92004.

**Public Disclosure**

We strive to protect personally identifiable information by collecting only information necessary to deliver our services. All information that may be collected becomes public record that may be subject to inspection and copying by the public, unless an exemption in law exists. In the event of a conflict between this Privacy Notice and any County ordinance or other law governing the County's disclosure of records, the County ordinance or other applicable law will control.

**Access and Correction of Personal Information**

You can review any personal information collected about you. You may recommend changes to your personal information you believe is in error by submitting a written request that credibly shows the error. If you believe that your personal information is being used for a purpose other than what was intended when submitted, you may contact us. In all cases, we will take reasonable steps to verify your identity before granting access or making corrections.