County of San Diego
BORREGO SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017 at 4:30 P.M.
Borrego Springs High School Community Room
2281 Diegueno Road, Borrego Springs, California

Administrative Items
A. Vice Chair R. Falk called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
B. Roll Call of Members. Members present: Tom Beltran, Rebecca Falk, David Farley, Judy Haldeman, and Bonnie Petrach and Linda Haddock. Member absent: None
C. Approval of the Agenda. Petrach moved to approve the agenda; Haldeman seconded. Beltran, Falk, Farley, Haldeman and Petrach voted “aye”.
D. Members’ review of maps and other printed materials for meeting: Farley suggested that members use this time to review the minutes from December 1, 2016 due to them arriving late.
E. Consideration and approval of Minutes from the meeting(s) of Dec. 1, 2017: Petrach moved to approve, Haldeman seconded. Farley, Petrach, Haddock, Haldeman, Falk – Aye. Beltran Opposed. Motion approved.
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.

Member Petrach spoke about a code enforcement issue near her home. A mobile home in disrepair was losing its roof due to high winds and becoming a hazard to the nearby community. Noting that code enforcement gives priority to safety hazards. Haldeman noted that we, as the Sponsor Group are called upon as an enforcer of code violations. Chairman Beltran pointed out that our prevue is land use and not code issues.

Member Haddock announced that a candidate for County Supervisor, Jim Desmond, was to pay Borrego Springs a visit on Friday the 6th. He would be touring the area and meeting with locals.
G. Correspondence & Chair’s report: None from the Chair.
H. Committee reports. Member Falk spoke about the Advisory Group to the Borrego Valley Groundwater Sustainability Plan (G.S.P.). She discussed an issue over who was to become the representative for the rate payers and property owners. The water district chose a recent property owner and not a long time resident. Falk will provide a list of all the members when announced by the Water district. Also, it was noted that the meetings can be recorded. Beltran pointed out that property owners that are not pumping water have no say at this discussion concerning their water rights and future development of their property. Falk said to watch the paper and water district website for meeting dates of the advisory board.
I. Continuing Read-through of the Borrego Springs Community Plan. It was suggested by Falk that we postpone until next meeting the reading of the plan.

Non-Action Items
A. None

Action Items
A. Consideration and selection of candidates for seat 5 of the Borrego Springs Sponsor Group. Chairman Beltran said only one applicant had applied and had been approved by the County. That applicant is Bill Hainline. Bill was present and fielded several questions from members.

Motion was made by Chairman Beltran to nominate Bill to seat 5. Seconded by Haldeman. All members voted Aye to place Bill in seat 5.

Discussion and Approval of Regular Monthly Meeting Schedule for Feb. 2017 through Jan. 2018. Chairman Beltran moved to have our regular meeting on Feb. 2nd. Petrach seconded, all approved the motion. Discussion was made concerning vacation schedules and meeting time off during summer months.

Election of Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary to serve through the conclusion of the Jan., 2018 regular monthly meetings. Currant Chairman Beltran informed the Group that he would not entertain running for Chairman again and would leave the Group when his seat could be filled.

Farley volunteered to continue as Secretary. Beltran moved to elect Farley as Secretary. Haldeman seconded. Motion passed.

Chairman Beltran fielded nominations for Chairperson. Haldeman nominated Falk for Chair. Petrach seconded. All “ayes” motion passed.

Haddock nominated Petrach for Vice Chair. Beltran seconded. All “ayes” motion passed.

New slate of officers are; Rebecca Falk- Chair. Bonnie Petrach- Vice Chair. David Farley- Secretary.

Extension of terms of members seats 9 and 11. Chairman Beltran recommended extending the seats of number 9, Judy Haldeman and seat 11, Bonnie Petrach for another four years. Seat number 1 occupied by Tom Beltran is not extended and according to County Rules, his seat will have a notice of vacancy and he will remain in that seat until filled by an approved applicant. Farley seconded the motion. All members voted “aye” Motion to extend seats 9 and eleven passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m. after Farley so moved, Petrach seconded. All members voted “aye”.

David Farley, Secretary

The next regular meeting will be held January 2, 2017 at 4:30 P.M. at the Borrego Springs High School Community Room, 2281 Diegueno Road, Borrego Springs, CA 92004.