

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP
MINUTES / SUMMARY FOR MARCH 3, 2016**

DATE & TIME: 7:00 PM, Thursday, March 3, 2016

MEETING LOCATION: Boulevard Fire Training Room, 39923 Ribbonwood Rd, Boulevard CA 91905 (behind old Fire Station)

A. MEMBERS PRESENT: 1) Robert Maupin; 2) Earl Goodnight; 4) Donna Tisdale; 5) Michele Strand; 6) Paula Byrd; 7) Ronald Hynum;
ABSENT MEMBER: 3) Kevin Keane (excused due to work schedule change)

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: (please silence cell phones)

C. MEETING MINUTES/SUMMARY FOR FEBRUARY 4TH MEETING:

- *M/S: Hynum/Byrd: Accept February 4th minutes as corrected: Passed: 6-0-0*

D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:

- Tammy Daubach reported that January 25th was the night that unidentified heavy military activities took place.
- Hundreds of troops were reportedly dropped from the air in the dark with the goal to pick them all up.
- Michele Strand noted that when SDG&E did the wood to metal pole swap in her neighborhood, they left the wooden pole in place. She also noted that a neighbor had installed razor wire asked if anyone knew about legality of installing it on private property.

E. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **PARKLAND DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO):** Staff from the Department of Parks & Recreation will make a presentation to gain community input to present recommendations to the Board of Supervisors, including comments on a new proposal to consider dividing the current Mountain Empire PLD Area 41 into several separate units. Contact: Marcus Lubich, Park Project Manager: (858) 966-1348; marcus.lubich@sdcounty.ca.gov.
 - Information provided by Marcus Lubich (County) was included in agenda package.
 - Chuck Tucker provided handouts, made a presentation, and went over Group's options.
 - The answer to previous question is YES, JCSD can apply for PLDO funds for Jacumba Park with certain conditions.
 - We can suggest that industrial scale wind and solar development projects be required to pay into PLDO.

M/S: Strand/Maupin: Endorse staff recommendation and request that renewable energy projects be required to contribute PLDO funds for impacted community: Passed 6-0-0.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPEN FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY TRANSMISSION INITIATIVE 2.0; CEC DOCKET #15-RETI-02:**
 - The Chair reported that the March 14 public comment deadline for the March 1st meeting that has been postponed. No new date has been noticed.
 - We can defer a vote on this to a future meeting or authorization can be granted now for Chair to submit comments during the next public comment period to address local concerns with existing, pending, proposed, and cumulative impact projects on our rural groundwater dependent and predominantly low-income communities.
 - The CAISO grid Q shows at least one new solar PV project that will require a loop-in to the new 138kV line between Boulevard and Jacumba Hot Springs.
 - The Chair reported she had also seen references to plans to upgrade to increase current capacity at SDG&E's ECO Substation.

M/S: Maupin: Byrd: Authorize Chair to submit comments when applicable: Passed: 6-0-0

3. **LIVE OAK SPRINGS WATER COMPANY'S PROPOSED RATE HIKE AND AUTHORIZATION FOR BULK WATER SALES:**
 - The Chair requested clarification on previous vote in January to oppose the requested rate increase and authorization of bulk water sales.
 - Should a formal request be included for removal of Mr. Nazar Najor and /or family members from any involvement in managing or operating the Live Oak Springs Water Company, as the PUC intended and spelled out in their Superior Court Case # 37-2013-00074858-Cu-PT-CTL. That case clearly documented the Water Company's

history of violations and failure to comply under Mr. Najor's watch, to address chronic concerns expressed by residents/ratepayers?

M/S: Request PUC to follow through with intent to remove Mr. Najor and extended family members from managing and/or operating the Live Oak Springs Water Company per Case # 37-2013-00074858: Passed: 6-0-0

F. GROUP BUSINESS & PROJECT UPDATES – DISCUSSION ONLY

1. **ANNOUNCEMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Chair reported that Jim Whalen sent an email message saying that he would not be attending this meeting and that he had nothing pressing to report.

2. **REVITALIZATION REPORT by Tammy Daubach:**

- The next Boulevard/Jacumba Revitalization meeting is March 7th at 6:30 PM.
- TEAME will be holding trash removal events in Boulevard, Campo, Jacumba, and Potrero this year. On August 27th in Potrero; September 24th in Campo; October 29th in Boulevard; and November 19th for Jacumba.
- On March 13th from 2:00-5:00 PM at the old Boulevard Fire Dept. Training Room, Tzu-Chi will be holding a training meeting for everyone who wants to volunteer at the medical outreach in October. They will also be talking about the new projects they would like to bring to the communities.
- Tzu-Chi's free medical outreach is scheduled for October 23rd at the Mt. Empire High School. They are offering dental, chiropractor, acupuncture, general medicine, and pharmacy services.
- The new Jacumba Hikers Schedule is available for this month.

3. **FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORT by Tammy Daubach:**

- The next FSC meeting is April 16th at 5:30 PM at the Jacumba Fire Dept.
- SDG&E Powerlink mini grants. Forms are available. Due date for applying is March 11th.
- Tammy has information on how to get street signs that are in compliance with SDG&E's grant application requirements. Contact her after the meeting.
- CalFire in cooperation with Corte Madera Ranch will be conducting a prescribed burn near Pine Valley. The potential burn dates started on February 29th and will continue until March 11th.
- On April 9th and 10th, from Jacumba to Potrero and everything in between, Tzu-Chi, TEAME, and RECFSC will be doing a senior yard clean-up weekend. If you know any seniors or disabled persons who need help or anyone who would like to volunteer to help clean up the yards, please contact Mark Ostrander or Tammy Daubach.

4. **ROUGH ACRES RANCH CAMPGROUND/CONFERENCE CENTER: PDS2012-3300-12-021 (MUP); DRAFT EIR PENDING:**

- No news to report

5. **ROUGH ACRES RANCH ROAD - MAJOR GRADING PERMIT PENDING: PDS2011-2700-15622: APPLICANT GREGG HAMANN:**

- No News

6. **SOITEC SOLAR:**

- The Chair called attention to the Optics.org article included in the agenda package: CPV industry in severe crises – report.
- It specifically mentions Soitec's move to exit the CPV market and their failure to sell their CPV systems business, along with the fact that PV systems are currently much cheaper than CPV.

7. **TULE WIND PHASE 1– SEC'S ADVICE LETTER 3287-E SEEKING CPUC FOR APPROVAL OF 15-YEAR POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT (PPA) FOR 132MW WAS SUSPENDED FOR UP TO 120 DAYS:**

- No news on whether or not the suspension of SCE's Power Purchase Agreement application with the CPUC will be extended up to an additional 180 days for staff review and draft resolution. The original suspension Notice for up to 120 days was dated November 5th.

8. **APRIL 6TH HEARING IS SET FOR 9AM @THE 9TH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS FOR LEGAL CHALLENGES TO BLM APPROVALS:**
- *Backcountry Against Dumps, et al., v. Sally Jewell, et al.* Ninth Circuit Case No. 14-55666 (consolidated with No. 14-55842):
 - The Chair stated she plans to attend the hearing and will report back any news at next meeting.
9. **APRIL 5TH BAY AREA HEARING IS SET FOR TULE WIND'S LEASE APPLICATION FOR PHASE II WIND TURBINES, ROADS & INFRASTRUCTURE PROPOSED FOR STATE LANDS COMMISSION LAND ABUTTING MANZANITA RESERVATION:**
- The April 5th hearing location in the Bay Area will not be identified until 10 days before that hearing which would make airfare to participate very expensive.
 - The Chair said she had submitted a request to move the hearing to a future meeting in LA, Sacramento, or preferably in San Diego, so it would be more affordable to members of the public to participate.
10. **TULE WIND PHASE II:**
- No news to report
11. **COMPREHENSIVE RENEWABLE ENERGY PLAN (CREP) POD 13-007:**
- No news
12. **LANSING PRIVATE ROAD GRADING PDS2012-2700-15676, LOG NO. PDS2015-er-15-21-002: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION:**
- No news
13. **JOINT CPUC AND FOREST SERVICE FINAL EIR/EIS AND FOREST SERVICE DRAFT RECORD OF DECISION ARE PENDING FOR SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC'S MASTER SPECIAL USE PERMIT / PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT APPLICATION:**
- No news
14. **20MW JACUMBA SOLAR LLC MUP PDS2014 MUP-14-041; FINAL EIR PENDING; JACUMBA SPONSOR GROUP REPORTEDLY APPROVED PROJECT ON FEBRUARY 23:**
- No News

G. MEETING ADJOURNED @ 7:45PM. NEXT MEETING SET FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2016 @ BOULEVARD FIRE TRAINING ROOM.

Minutes approved by Group: 5-5-16

Michelle Strand, Secretary: _____



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