

CREST-DEHESA-GRANITE HILLS-HARBISON CANYON SUBREGIONAL PLANNING GROUP. Minutes of the meeting on 10 June 2013, at Dehesa School, 4612 Dehesa Road, El Cajon, California.

A. CALL TO ORDER. Chairman Wally Riggs called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

B. ROLL CALL. Planning Group members Bowen, Slagill, Walls, Krickhahn, Riggs, Bretz, Manning, Vandover and Myrick were present, forming a quorum of 9. Members Ulm, Harris and Hertel were absent, but excused. Seat 4, Seat 14 and Seat 15 are vacant.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

< Phil Hertel joined the meeting at 7:05 PM, increasing the quorum to 10. >

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Mary Manning moved that the Planning Group approves the minutes of the 13 May 2013 meeting. The motion passed (10 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION. No one from the public or Planning Group requested to speak.

F. ACTION ITEMS. Report on the proposed consolidation of Rural Fire and the County Fire Authority (Mary Manning). Mary reported, based on her attendance at the Rural Fire Board meeting, that the Rural Fire Protection District did sign a contract with the County Fire Authority that extends County's services and support for Rural Fire for one year, with the stipulation that the current (or better) level of staffing at all the Rural fire stations will be maintained. The Rural Board must decide during the contract year whether to dissolve itself (which requires a unanimous vote by the Board); if the Board cannot unanimously dissolve itself before 30 June 2014, then the issue of dissolving the Rural Fire Protection District will be decided by a public vote; the Board must vote on the issue by May, 2014, if there would be sufficient time to arrange a public vote by June. She also reported that the Board members voted to reactivate the application of a suspended bylaw that allows Board members to receive a meeting attendance stipend of \$100 per official meeting, for up to 4 meetings per month.

Chairman Wally Riggs reported that following Planning Group direction, he contacted Supervisor Jacob's office and asked for guidance on the consolidation issue regarding potential impacts to staffing at Harbison Canyon Fire Station and Dehesa Fire Station, but that he got no response to his request. Riggs also reported that the Jamul Planning Group chairman expressed interest in knowing about reactions of others to the proposal to dissolve Rural Fire District, and that in response he sent a copy of Mary Manning's letter and an explanation about the unique situation for the fire stations in Harbison Canyon and Dehesa. He also reported hearing that the Rural Fire Protection District is negotiating with the Jamul Tribe about providing fire protection service for a casino, if the Tribe is successful in putting one in.

G. GROUP BUSINESS.

1. Announcements and correspondence. Wally Riggs announced that on 14 June 2014 the Planning Commission would conduct a hearing on the proposed Tiered Equine Ordinance. He encouraged interested persons to review the draft ordinance on the County website, and summarized key provisions for the Group: the proposed ordinance eliminates the need for a discretionary permit below a certain threshold number of horses on the property; in the Crest-Dehesa Subregion and other areas where the County Zoning Ordinance regulates horse ownership issues, the proposed Tiered Equine Ordinance allows by right a specific number of horses per acre, or requires a ministerial permit for up to 10 horses per acre, or other formulas, depending on which of four tiers is involved; no permit would be required for keeping a horse for private use in appropriately zoned parts of the County.

2. Expense reimbursement requests. Phil Hertel requested that the Planning Group approves a reimbursement to him of \$21.49, for his purchase of Group meeting nameplates for new members. Lory Walls moved the Planning Group approves a reimbursement of \$21.49 to Phil Hertel as he requested. The motion passed (10 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

3. Discussion and Group action items.

a. Appointment of applicant for Seat 14, Granite Hills. Chairman Riggs announced that Mr. Underwood, an applicant for Seat 14, is ill and contagious, and could not attend the meeting tonight; and that his application can be considered at the July meeting.

b. Discussion of payment for continuation of Planning Group Website. A brief Group discussion led to postponement of detailed discussion and action on Group members' sharing of website maintenance cost, in order to be able to include any applicants for vacant Planning Group seats present at the July meeting.

4. Subcommittee reports. None.

5. Meeting updates. Chairman Riggs reported that the July meeting of the Planning Group would be held in the school's large meeting room, not in the library.

H. ADJOURNMENT. Phil Hertel moved adjournment at 7:40 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, William Bretz (Secretary)