

County of San Diego
Jacumba Community Sponsor Group (JCSG)
Final Minutes for the JCSG Meeting at 6:00 pm on Monday, March 10, 2025
Highland Senior Center, 44681 Old Hwy 80, Jacumba Hot Springs, CA 91934

A. Call to order/Roll call: The JCSG meeting was called to order at 6:07pm. Present: Seat 1. Steve Perelman(Secretary); Seat 2. Greg Curran (Vice-Chair); Seat 3. Corbin Winters; 4. Jeffery Osborne (Chair); Seat 5. Katrina Westley.

~8 members of the public in attendance.

B. Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Approval of the draft minutes for the JCSG meeting held on January 13, 2025 and February 10, 2025

Motion to approve the Minutes of January 13, 2025, Osborne/Perelman. **Vote 5-0-0** Motion passes.

Motion to approve the Minutes of February 10, 2025, Curran/Osborne. **Vote 5-0-0** Motion passes.

D. Action items: (Agenda items may be taken out of order upon request.)N/A

E. Public Communication: The public may comment on any subject within the JCSG's jurisdiction that is not on the posted agenda. (Speakers are limited to 2 minutes and no action can be taken on non-agenda items.)

David received the petition for mobile health services from SYH and wondered what the \$1.5M funding requested is for. Buy a van, pay for a nurse, how many visits a month? He knows of co-workers who went there and were not able to receive service.

Jeff said that S.Y.H. would not be presenting tonight so we should just jump into Group Business.

F. Group Business:

1. San Ysidro Health to Present to JCSG.

Discussion continues.

Katrina read a statement from a community member that was unable to attend.

"I feel that San Ysidro Health is not helping our community's infrastructure as listed in the petition description of services they want to offer. The offer will not benefit the entire community and was done outside of the community's proper channels. So with both of these reasons, they should not be given any of the community benefit monies. San Ysidro Health is not part of our community and we consider this an underhanded request and money grab".

Jeff talked to Nick about the context of their presentation and he advised them not to come. They have not yet explained how they used the \$125K for the Senior Nutrition Program.

Jeff also questions who initiated the request. Someone noted that Mark Ostrander is on that board. Katrina reminded us that the JCSG Board has done the due diligence, the information is on file. We did mailers, house to house. How much control does the county have over the money.

Jeff said that they are the authority, disbursements need their approval .We submitted a draft proposal to the county for the Community Center to be the fiduciary that would partner with the endowment. We're proposing a system where people must complete a very robust application that would be scored by a 3rd party. Everyone must disclose any personal benefit. If it qualifies, then it would be put up for an annual vote.

Multi-step process:

- 1 Fill out application
- 2 Review by S.D.F.(using scoring matrix)
- 3 Projects that score well are voted on by JCSG and residents
- 4 County reviews and approves top projects
- 5 Projects are funded and tracked

It would be transparent and the Community Center would get 5% of disbursed amount as an administrative fee. If the full \$3.55M went into the endowment with an annual 4.25% disbursement then it could collect a \$7,544 fee on that \$150,875. Maureen told us that Descanso got the same rate of return on endowment and non-endowment funds.

Accepting applications is the easy part, monitoring them is complicated. Fee may cover printing, paper, envelopes, “cover our costs”.

If S.Y.H. does not explain how they will use the \$125K for Senior Nutrition, then there are other options for healthcare. The Tribal Health Center is another option for contracting medical. They have an existing bus service for tribal members.

The application process is a good idea so it will be added to the agenda for the next meeting. The JCSD park upgrade is an obvious benefit.

IVDM should present to us how the \$75K directly benefits us. It’s a moral obligation. *David Bruckner?* Had plans to do molded clay classes up here, but that was 2 directors ago.

Nick was asked if he could move the proposed walkway to the South side of the road. Mrs. Osborne said that a class 2 access trail might be a cheaper yet more durable and robust option. It has side rails, gravel base and D.G. top layer.

The Chair has a conflict for the May meeting and the group agreed to move the meeting to 5-19-25. Cal-fire had purchased a lot on the South side of Hwy 80 for the new fire-station but discovered a conflict because it was under FAA oversight. That’s why Bay.Wa.Re transferred/donated the lot on the North side, near the Wagon Wheel trailer park. They will put in their own wells but JCSD is checking if connection to their supply is feasible.

There was more discussion about trash service with Imperial County, Republic or Edco. Dumpsters or transfer station are possibilities.

2. Discuss and Comment on Draft Community Benefit Funds Endowment Purpose Statement

This statement is not the contract, but perhaps it should reference the contract.

Brianna suggested that any disbursements above a certain threshold must go to bid, for example the \$1.5M SYH has proposed over 5 years would be \$300K annually which could not be funded from the endowment without violating the agreement mentioned by S.D.F.

3. Speeding on Old Hwy 80 – Speed Radar Sign Request Update

We can’t count on JVR construction respecting their commitment to use Carrizo Gorge for access. DPW is coming out to put up signs on each end of town. It might be beneficial to have speed bumps AKA “speed reducers” also.

4. Propose Next Meeting, May 5 or 19.

Group agreed that May 19 would be acceptable.

5. Announcements and Correspondence Received.

6. Community interface reports.

a. Highland Senior Center- Maureen mentioned that the Center is getting an electrical refurbishment. New outlets and upgrades. She has applied for a DBA so the Highland Senior Center will also be known as the Jacumba Community Center. It is still doing ~35-40 breakfasts on Sunday and ~25 lunches on Wednesday. The Center has received a grant from Grossmont Healthcare for WiFi and an AV system. Perhaps it will facilitate telehealth visits in the future. Applause for Maureen.

b. Real East County Fire Safe Council – No updates.

c. Jacumba Boulevard revitalization Alliance (JBRA). No updates.

G. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03pm. The next JCSG meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 14th, 2025 at 6 pm.

For more information, contact the JCSG Chair Jeff Osborne at jacumbacsg@outlook.com.