

County of San Diego
Jacumba Community Sponsor Group (JCSG)
Final Minutes for the JCSG Meeting at 6:00 pm on Monday, April 14, 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 6:05pm. Present: Seat 1. Steve Perelman(Secretary); Seat 2. Greg Curran (Vice-Chair); Seat 3. Corbin Winters(absent); 4. Jeffery Osborne (Chair); Seat 5. Katrina Westley.

~6 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 March 10, 2025 with 2 edits, Osborne/Westley. **Vote 4-0-0** Motion passes.

D. Action items: N/A

E. Public Communication:

Jay Livesay explained a problem he is having with Pacific Bell and S.D.G.+E. not sharing the use of power poles for electricity and phone service. Because of this they plan a new set of poles on the Old Hwy 80 easement at 43054. Jay has seen fiber-optic cable run under the power lines in other neighborhoods and feels that would work well here, more cheaply too. Also the existing SDG+E poles are metal and PacBell will use wood which is less durable. Joel Anderson's office has helped Jay fill out and submit the paperwork to the PUC and has helped connect him with Carl DeMaio and Brian Jones for more help.

Katrina wondered if JVR work would be starting soon because it is the time of the season for nesting bird activity. Also whether the Native American Museum would be involved in the land clearing with an eye out for pottery and other artifacts.

Jeff pondered whether the China tariffs would increase the cost of solar panels and impact the scale of JVR project.

Tanya reminded us that April 24 is Jacumba day and Jay suggested that we find a new information conduit to spread the news about community events. Brianna offered to look into creating an email list to do that. We used to be able to post notices at the Post Office, Library, and Senior Center but that's not working right now.

There was some discussion of future events in Jacumba. Maybe Jacumba Days parade next year and a Jacumba Rumba music festival.

F. Group Business:

1. Jacumba Community Center Proposal

Discussion about the proposal sent to the County. \$3.55M split into endowed and non-endowed fund. The non-

endowed would be the source of disbursements(~\$150K/yr.). Projects defined as small <\$25K, medium \$25K to \$100K, large >\$100K. Before approval applicants would provide a timeline, narrative, duration, community benefit, and expected outcome. There would be a conflict of interest disclosure.

If a grant was successful and desired to continue in the following year they could just resubmit a similar application to the year before. The example of an after school program at the Community Center was floated.

2. Provide feedback on Community Benefit Fund Proposal from San Diego County.

Jeff ran through the info received back from the county reiterating the steps for disbursements. Applications are submitted, reviewed by SDF and scored, vetted applications are voted on at a town hall and then by the Sponsor Group, next is the County who must green-light projects, finally projects are funded and tracked.

There was discussion about who can vote. Property owners, residents, anyone who can show ID with 91934 zip code and their name. Voters need to be Ided. Utility bills, property tax bills would all be valid.

3. DPW Capital Improvement Priority List.

The group agreed that a DG walkway would fit the community better than concrete and possibly lower cost from \$895K to \$500K which has a chance at getting funded by the County grant system.

The proposed speed limit signs should be installed at both ends of town, adjacent to the welcome to Jacumba signs. 25 MPH approaching the Wagon Wheel trailer park from the East and after the second bridge coming from the West.

Prioritizing these projects: #1 is the DG path, #2 is radar speed limit, #3 is crosswalks, #4 “speed reducers”. Spike strips were removed from consideration.

4. Announcements and Correspondence Received.

5. Community interface reports.

a. Highland Senior Center- Maureen pointed out the large screen TV mounted on the East wall and said that the Center now has security cameras. More 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 7:40pm. The next JCSG meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 19th, 2025 at 6 pm.

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

Minutes approved by the JCSG Board 6-9-25