

JULIAN COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
Draft Minutes
January, 2020

Monday, January 13th at 7:00 p.m. Julian Town Hall, Washington and Main Streets, Julian, CA 92036

A. Roll Call

Present: Pat Brown, Chair; Kiki Skagen Munshi, Secretary; Woody Barnes, Herb Dackermann, Eric Jones, Keith Krawiec, Rebecca Morales, Katherine Moretti, Kenny Mushet, Rudy Rikansrud
Absent (excused): Bob Redding, Vice Chair; Katherine Moretti

B. September Minutes

Moved to approve: Krawiec
Second: Dackermann
Approved: Unanimous with Rikansrud abstaining

C. Approval of the minutes for the meeting of October 14th, 2019 (There were no meetings in November or December, 2019.)

Moved to approve: Jones
Seconded: Morales
Approved: Unanimous

D. Approval of the agenda

Moved: Morales
Seconded: Krawiec
Morales said Action Item 1 should be labeled Julian Farm and Orchard rather than Crown Ranch
Approved as amended: Unanimous

E. Public Communication: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Group on any subject matter within the Group's jurisdiction and items on the posted agenda.

Lynn Jarman asked about a letter from SDG&E with a huge project about to start now or in February running from Santa Ysable to the end of Engineers road.

Chair Brown said SDGE was here and questions could be asked after their presentation. He added that if they don't discuss it, we could schedule a different presentation.

F. Presentation: SDG&E Strategic Undergrounding - Joe Gabaldon

Joe Gabaldon, Public Affaris Mgr for SDGE Back Country, said he was here to update us on Strategic Undergrounding. Senate bill 900 requires utilities to set up fire mitigation plans and as a part of our effort SDG&E is working on strategic undergrounding. The ultimate vision is not to have power safety shutoffs. Will take time but in the meantime there is stuff that can be done incrementally and part of that is undergrounding to serve community facilities or mitigate fire risks.

The focus is schools and community facilities to allow as much of business as usual as possible when we have to shut off power. The short term vision is about five years, but long term is about 20 years. About 10-15 miles per year. This year they'll underground about 12 miles.

Rick Gardner presented the first phase of the plan, which is to extend the underground power in Julian to the library, school, fire department, and Caltrans maintenance. They have done most of trenching on Cape Horn Avenue; the goal is to take all this and tie it in to one connection point. This is first phase. It should be done by the end of this month.

The switching will be done from down town Julian but SDG&E will still have to bring the generator up when there are power shut offs. The trenching on Hwy 78 will be on the South side of the highway.

Colleen asked if the Library would be Phase I and at what point would it be connected. The answer was that the library system would be tied in with the school systems. This would be temporary until the second phase of the project which would trench an underground connection. This would be sometime in June.

Colleen Baker, supervisory librarian for Julian, noted that the County library system is buying six generators for the Back Country library system and the assumption is that Julian will get one. Baker said, however, that those generators won't be up and running until next fall. In the meantime will the library have power in the event of a shut off. The answer was a sort of yes.

They will still keep overhead lines for this project because the permanent feed comes in that way.

Volcan Mountain—today there is an FAA site and some key cell sites. SDG&E has two feeds, on the same circuit, one feed from the south and one from the north. They will connect those two feeds and make it so if there is a public safety power shutoff on one circuit, the load will be switched to the other circuit. And they will take about 30 spans off overhead (a span is a couple hundred feet) – this will be on over a mile of overhead. They will bring the mostly underground line up from the north side and connect to underground line from the south side.

The boundary for what gets undergrounded is set by the County. The County gets an allocation of funds every year and picks projects to do.

Another project is substation up roadway through Wynola and up to town. That is the 4th phase of this project. It will start at substation near the intersection in Santa Ysabel and will include key infrastructure (market, gas station) in Santa Ysabel, then come up the highway to tie into this system in Julian. Design potentially starting the end of this year.

G. Action Items

1. Crown Ranch – Ryan Cross

Chairman Brown recused himself from this matter as he has worked professionally on it.

Cross noted that it wasn't Crown Ranch but Julian Farm and Orchard. The County has said they want to have signatures that the document saying there need be no site plan has been approved. Pat said Wynola is now under us for Site plans. He needs proof that we have said he doesn't have to do a site plan.

Herb Dackermann moved we approve the Site Plan waiver. Morales seconded it. Passed unanimously. Cross will contact CPG Secretary Munshi for the appropriate written permission and signature.

2. Agricultural – Clearing; Suggestions, comments

Munshi read a draft letter to the County. Eric moved we send the letter and ask County to move on it. Woody seconded. Approval was Unanimous.

3. PLDO Funds

Postponed to next meeting.

4. Election of Officers

Woody moved that we keep the same officers. Eric seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

G. Group Business

1. Announcements and correspondence received

a. Form 700 – Due 4/1/2020

b. Training Agenda Passed out

2. Discussion items

a. Caltrans – Julian to Ramona

Chairman Brown hasn't heard anything and they aren't moving very fast.

b. 2nd Street

Chairman Brown said we are not getting anywhere with the County. One individual indicated it's not in the budget. They are going to do a street count at Cape Horn and Second to see if it justifies a stop sign. Morales asked that if it were possible to have a joint letter with the interested parties asking them about the progress. Pat suggested that Morales draft a letter and we'll ask them for progress.

c. Julian Septic Plant

Brown reported that in the past they took the sewage, treated and spread it. They had a holding pond with a capacity of 20,000 gallons. County has now received permission to double that capacity. The treatment plant can handle this amount but they have to increase the size of the holding pond. They also asked about rain runoff into sewer pipes and system. Brown said the town is working on getting funding to increase the holding pond; he noted that Julian reps have said they don't want to expand the town a lot, just increase what the businesses could do.

d. San Diego Quarterly Chair Meeting – San Diego County is taking up Clearing Ordinance in 2020

e. San Dieguito River Park – Volcan Mountain Preserve Open House, Saturday, December 14, 2019

3. Subcommittee reports

Rudy asked about power to businesses not covered by the emergency generator. SDG&E said that there were county beautification funds that might be accessed for that.

4. Meeting updates

a. BOS and PC Hearings

1a. Forest Conservation Initiative (FCI) at Planning Commission

Chairman Brown said this was Duncan McFetridge's initiative to further limit development.

2a. Property Condition Agreement (PCA)

Chairman Brown said this was to make the paperwork clearer for developers should a project be sold in the course of its development.

b. Future Group Meeting Dates (February 10th, 2020)

H. Adjournment

Moved: Morales

Seconded: Jones

Vote: Unanimous