

County of San Diego  
Warner Springs Community Sponsor Group  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
October 17, 2024, 4:00 pm  
Warner Springs Community Resource Center  
30950 Highway 79, Warner Springs California 92086

A. Roll Call and Call to Order: Chair Petermann called the meeting to order at 406pm.

Members Present: Chair, Hans Petermann, Kathryn Fletcher, Nina Karavasiles, Andy Krogh, Pam Nelson,  
Bob Garcia and Joe Kleinman

Absent:

Public: Ezra Logreira, Dorothy Willis,

B. Approval of Minutes: Moved by, Krough seconded by Fletcher

C. Public Communication: Eagle Rock, Fletcher recommended a closable box for informational brochures to be available. There are discussions between the descendants of Kupa and Vista Irrigation regarding signs to deter climbing on, camping at, and other destructive behaviors.

Highlands Project will have a presentation by Ed Sauls to present Co-Stewardship Conservation Letter.

Guest Speaker(s): Guest Speaker(s): David Hogan, The Chaparral Land Conservancy presenting Sky Oaks Project, Chihuahua Valley, reviewed maps, boundaries, and multiuse agency areas that are open for development. The BLM approved fast tracking a solar development on Dr Bronner land letters have been sent to 'Cal Wild and the office of US Congressmen Darrel Issa relating to a beauty wilderness study area while San Diego County District Supervisor, Jim Desmond is looking to build more homes. Not all BLM Land is sacred - Public lands are low hanging fruit for development. VMT has its own threats. The goal is to keep primitive, restoring damaged areas, protect special resources and sensitive ecosystems wildlife corridors, and manage equestrian riding and hiking trails. Half of the funding is acquired for the purchase price of \$6.3M and the County of San Diego Parks & Recreation, California Wildlife Conservation Board, and BLM are still pending. National Monument Support evaporated Cleveland BLM and other intertribal Chuckwalla tribal near Yuma San Gabriel has regular meetings and sent out letters for tribal support. Monument forming is Presidential not Congress and promoting co-stewardship and land back programs.

D. Action Items:

- a. School Water issue update and discussion with a possible vote for a letter to be sent in support following the ballot election results. There has been funding, loan, and partnering with other water system issues. Public comment ends November 7.
- b. Discussion of Policy I-1 and vote on recommended changes to be sent to the county. The query for the county to express and input the group desires. One being to recommend support and encourage

broadening land planning and community general funds. To include development and planning community needs for water, fire, electric, road, and web related.

E. Chair Report, Chair Petermann

The Sponsor group will be Dark in December

The County Form 700 will be sent out to the board members for reinstatement in January, odds and even seating.

Voting Polls will be November 2 – 5, opening at 7am and closing times will vary based on the day.

F. New Business / Discussion

a. Warner Springs Ranch Specific Plan – Chair Petermann and Fletcher

There was an area plan committee that raised some general and specific plans, amendments, and require updated documents such as major use permits, CEQA, county plans and letters, area clean up, update infrastructure to code, and additional resources, like water flow, storage and reports. The county is not authorized to tell applicants not to apply or that plans will fail, plans are good for five years, and extensions can be granted up to twenty years. Structures can be changed from family homes to single condominiums, destination resort, tent sites or RV sites with a club house and management which would be difficult to corridor with affordable housing. VMT and Fire Danger (Insurance) can we remove housing development from the equation. Including cultural mitigation plans. The Warners Ranch Conservation Group – Faux organization. The Henshaw family ranch land grant separate Helms called Highlands, hearing EIR and old general plan phase to restart accommodations with limited partnerships and memberships.

G. Group Business

- i. Warner Springs Ranch Development - covered
- ii. New Warner Springs Specific Plan - covered
- iii. Highlands at Warner Springs Willis advised that the tribe is open to a presentation from Sauls Co
- iv. Roadways, Traffic, VMT Shadow Mountain Winery driveway was legal when CalTrans took over Hwy 79.
- v. Dark Sky Community – no new updates
- vi. Socially Equitable Cannabis next meeting will be late Oct, possibly virtual
- vii. Community Park – no new updates
- viii. Communications looking for opinions and website, an email will follow
- ix. Chihuahua Valley Rd patch work continues, will make contact for updates, and to relay community appreciation
- x. Fire Insurance, Protection, Agency Liaison be watching Florida and the Carolinas after the storms hit, most likely updates will follow the new administration
- xi. Palomar Mountain Power Line – no new updates

H. Adjournment: Time 637pm Moved by Garcia seconded by Krough