

**WARNER SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, February 20, 2025 | 4:00 P.M.**  
**Warner Springs Community Resource Center, 30950 Highway 79, Warner Springs, California**

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**Administrative Items**

**A. Roll Call & Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 P.M. by the Chair. Members present: Hans Petermann, Joe Kleinman, Kathryn Fletcher, Andy Krogh, Nina Karavasiles, Pam Nelson, Bob Garcia, and Michael Johnson.

**B. Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes from the January 16, 2025, meeting were approved unanimously with minor corrections.

**C. Public Communication:**

- A community member announced an upcoming CERT training program beginning March 1st at the Warner Springs Community Resource Center.
  - Announcement was made regarding a Trail Festival to be held at the WS CRC March 15.
  - Concerns were raised regarding fire insurance costs and the impact on the local community.
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**Special Presentations**

**1) Nicholas Koutoufidis – Warner Springs Ranch Project Update**

- Nick Koutoufidis, a Lead Land Use & Environmental Planner from San Diego County's Planning & Development Services, provided an update on the Warner Springs Ranch Project.
- The project has seen limited progress; no formal resubmission has been made. The owner, William McWethy Jr. of Pacific Hospitality Group, has indicated that a submission may occur within the next few months.
- Community members expressed concerns regarding the project's viability, environmental impact, and potential mitigation measures.

**2) Sgt. John Delocht & Lt. Jeff Ford – Law Enforcement Update**

- The San Diego County Sheriff's Office provided an update on patrols and public safety in Warner Springs.
  - A discussion was held regarding illegal parking enforcement and the role of CHP versus the Sheriff's Department.
  - Questions were raised about the timeline for installing new security cameras, which are currently delayed due to infrastructure constraints.
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## Action Items

### 1) Appointment of New Members

- Discussion was held regarding Todd Hipper and Dorothy Willis seeking appointment to the one open CSG seat.
- Krogh motion to request increase of group to 11 seats, Hans second. All voted in favor.  
**VOTE:** Aye: 8 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

### 2) Letter to the County Regarding Cannabis Program

- Pam and Joe to draft letter for discussion at next meeting.
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## Reports & Discussion Items

### A. Report from the Chair

- The Los Coyotes Tribe expressed their interest in purchasing the Warner Springs Estates Project parcels for conservation. Hans sent an email to Long Range Planning regarding the revision of the community's Specific Area Plan; no response has been received to date.

### B. Conflict of interest guidelines

- The topic was discussed and it was recommended that any member with individual concerns about COI should reach out to the County for guidance.

### C. Green Infrastructure Program

- Not much pertaining to WS; could potentially apply to new developments or existing WS Ranch Resort property, school, and commercial projects.

### B. Recurring Discussion Topics

- The St. Francis Chapel's back wall is completely caving in; an architect sent by the Pala Tribe is preparing a report. Hans to follow up on Sky Oaks conservation purchase.
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## Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 P.M. The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2025, at 4 P.M.

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Advise the County on discretionary projects as well as on planning and land use matters that are proposed within their respective community planning or sponsor group area.

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