



P.O. Box 3694, Landers, CA

AGENDA: May 20, 2019 MEETING

3:00 p.m. at Landers Belfield Hall, 58380 Reche Rd

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Roll Call/Delegate List

Approve Agenda

Approve Minutes of March meeting included in agenda packet.

Treasurer's Report: Floy Creveling

1. **Guest Comments** on items not on the agenda
2. **SB County Fire Dept** - Chief Scott Tuttle
3. **SB County Sheriffs Dept** - Capt. Trevis Newport
4. **CalFire** - Chief Tony Jones
5. **State Senator Shannon Grove 16th District** – Field Representative Dominic Heiden
6. **SB County 3rd District** – Field Representative Mark Lundquist
7. **SB County Fire Tax Update** – update: Betty Munson
8. **New HVCC Website Proposal** – update: Jim Harvey
9. **Summer Solstice Fest – “Pizza for PowerPoints” Fundraiser** – proposal: Jim Harvey
10. **Committees:**
 - Standing:* Public Outreach (Betty Munson)
 - Ad Hoc:* Scenic Highway 247 (Betty Munson)
11. **President's Report**
12. **Community Reports List – Announcements**
13. **Review Action Items From This Meeting**

Next HVCC meeting: Monday, June 17, 3:00 pm

Johnson Valley Community Center, 50567-A Quailbush Rd.

Adjourn

MINUTES APRIL 15, 2019 MEETING

3:00 p.m. at Yucca Mesa Community Center

Guests: County Third District Supervisor Dawn Rowe, and Field Representative Mark Lundquist; Tom Murphy, The Red Brennan Group; Kelly Hake, County Community Crisis Response Team; Dominic Heiden, Field Rep for State Senator Grove; Capt Trevis Newport, County Sheriffs Dept; Chief Duran Gaddy, Calfire; Sarah Kennington, Morongo Basin Conservation Assn; Judy Corl-Lorono, Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency; Mary Coulombe, Gary Creveling, Landers; Court Prittie, Johnson Valley

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Roll Call/Delegate List: 100% present: Dorothy Beasley, Adrienne Bishop, Floy Creveling, Jim Hanley, Jim Harvey, Betty Munson, Chris Nichols, Rick Sayers, Roxanna Shamay

Agenda approved with addition of Calfire representative; items renumbered

Minutes of MARCH meeting included in agenda packet - approved

Treasurer's Report: Floy Creveling - approved

- 1. Guest Comments** on items not on the agenda - Supervisor Dawn Rowe introduced Susan Lefevre and Sharon Dove from Morongo Valley, who have issues in common with all of us and who did not know about HVCC. Rick Sayers invited Kim Witte, a neighbor
- 2. SB County Fire Dept** - Chief Scott Tuttle - unable to attend
- 3. Calfire** - Chief Tony Jones called away, Chief Duran Gaddy, Supervisor and Desert Division Chief reported. Entering predicted fire season, stations in Yucca Valley and Lucerne Valley reopen April 22. Permanent burning not yet suspended; if you plan to burn, now is the time. Now 350% above our regular annual rainfall this year, with a bumper grass crop; Defensible Space inspections have started; you will receive notification by mail or door hanger.
- 4. SB County Sheriffs Dept** - Capt. Trevis Newport - reported the arrest of the "Rhino guy" Robert Jones, and recovery of stolen property (many property crimes related to Jones). Word of mouth in the community helped. OHV calls not increased. Purchased a side-by-side vehicle to help combat issues with some OHV riders. Side-by-side will patrol Morongo Valley as well as other target areas on weekends. Discussion of a Wonder Valley bust, where deputies investigating a call about squatters found a scale and meth.
- 5. State Senator Shannon Grove 16th District** – Field Representative Dominic Heiden
Sen. Shannon's leadership position involves her in many issues. Member of the Health and Veterans Affairs Committee, she cosigned a letter to the Budget Committee and the Assembly advocating reinvestment of savings resulting from closing developmental centers back into the developmentally-disabled community, and an 8% pay raise to caregivers with restoration of benefits cut by the 2008 recession.
SB 683 would increase transparency and accountability in regional centers for developmentally disabled. Using the Sacramento Chamber of Commerce Job Killer List, they track bills bad for job growth.
Co-author SB 663, which would make veterans organizations halls exempt from property taxes.
Co-author letter to DMV advocating decreasing backlog of motor carry permits for commercial drivers.
Working to legislate a definition of an independent contractor, not an employee, so all court decisions would be based on legislation.
Tracking any changes in the bill protecting the Cadiz aquifer; not much to be done until it reaches Senate floor.
- 6. Supervisor Dawn Rowe SB County 3rd District** – Field Representative Mark Lundquist
Sup. Rowe reported work on Night Sky Ordinance, trying bring it back. State building codes in conflict with light trespass mitigation; reviewing other city ordinances for guidelines to keep dark skies.
Saw draft of short-term rental ordinance, how to allow people to make money from their own homes without impacting the rest of the community and plaguing the Sheriffs Department and Code Enforcement with calls for service. One of the challenges: if we make a law, but can't enforce it, why bother?
Mark Lundquist said most of that day had been working on the short-term rentals; to get a team together to survey trouble spots in Joshua Tree with surprising excess traffic to the National Park; traffic lights to be considered.
Problems for residents near the park entrance include blocked driveways and trash.
Ordinary noise and disturbance complaint would already be addressed by the Sheriffs Dept. To file charges, you must make a citizens arrest, the most effective method to stop disturbance.
Working on siting of "grandfathered" renewable energy projects away from communities. Projects that had sub-

mitted applications before the Supervisors' approval of Policy 4.10 in the Renewable Energy Element of the County Plan are not affected by 4.10. Rowe questioned if there were more thoughtful sites away from the protected communities to which they could move, could they do that under their current application? Terri Rahhal said yes, as long as it is with community input, they could move farther away. Rowe has offered to mediate meetings; developers expressed concern over meeting with the public.

Discussion State Lands designated by DRECP as Development Focus Areas as possible exchange with BLM lands adjacent to urban areas.

Discussion Code Enforcement App; makes it easy to report a violation with GPS location, but no response from CE. Get case number.

Discussion local complaint, manure piles said to cause flies. Code allows manure to sit for 120 days.

7. SB County Fire Tax Update – Tom Murphy, The Red Brennan Group

TRBG lawsuit challenges the constitutionality of County Fire expansion of Fire Protection Zone 5 (FP-5).

Murphy detailed all the actions that break the County Fire budget, and the deficiencies in the protest process.

They propose annexing all unincorporated land in San Bernardino County to make up their budget shortfall with a permanent tax on each parcel of \$157.26 per year without a 2/3 approval vote. Voters had no choice in this.

The Court rejected a request for a preliminary injunction to halt collection of the parcel tax until the legal issues are settled. The suit was denied, but TRBG legal team will appeal. (The HVCC have signed on as plaintiffs in this legal action against the County.)

8. SB County Department of Behavioral Health; Community Crisis Response Team, Morongo Basin -

Kelly Hake, AMFT - Clinical Therapist I - CCRT providing the Morongo Basin a mobile response for psychiatric emergencies, as long as the individual is not violent. They respond if someone feels suicidal, homicidal or gravely disabled. Teams offer voluntary mental health assessment to make sure that person is safe and gets connected to resources, such as the Crisis Center in Joshua Tree where they can stay for 23-1/2 hours. CCRT works for relapse prevention, intensive follow-up, as well as on-site crisis intervention. They often work with Law Enforcement. Phone 760-499-4429, M-F 8-4:30; someone answers until 10:00.

9. New HVCC Website Proposal - updating, need photos from the communities.

10. Committees:

Standing: Public Outreach (Betty Munson) Meeting announcements through radio, newspaper, e-mail.

Ad Hoc: Scenic Highway 247 (Betty Munson) Sarah Kennington and Jim Harvey met with town manager in Yucca Valley, plan to meet with Barstow City Manager about the Scenic 247 campaign. Must notify both what we are doing, these sections not under County jurisdiction. Visual assessment continues, Brian Hammer will map pro bono. County has jurisdiction over their spheres of influence.

11. President's Report - Agendize next meeting: a fundraiser to to buy a PowerPoint projector

12. Community Reports List – Announcements

Johnson Valley: Annual Cinco de Mayo Fiesta Open House, Saturday, May 4, 1:00-5:00 \$10.00

Yucca Mesa: Paint Night April 27, Five tickets still available. Mesa Fest Sept 21.

Morongo Basin Conservation Assn: 9th Annual Landscape Tour.

Landers: Potluck, April 27, noon. Food Giveaway today, Record Fair, June 30. Thrift Shop, Friday-Saturday

Flamingo Heights: Potluck 5:00 tomorrow. Membership growing. Volunteers to help neighbors. Cleaning up grounds.

13. Review Action Items From This Meeting - fundraiser ideas; photos for website

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Supervisor Rowe plans to meet again with HVCC on Monday, June 17, at the Johnson Valley Community Center

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Betty Munson, Secretary

HVCC DELEGATES / COMMITTEE LIST

January 2019

OFFICERS

President: Jim Harvey

Vice President: Rick Sayers

Secretary: Betty Munson

Treasurer: Floy Creveling

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Members appointed by the 4 HVCC Organizations, residing in the community they represent.

Up to 3 voting members from each community, plus alternate to vote in case of an absence.

Dorothy Beasley	FHCA	760-364-4174
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Betty Munson	JVIA	760-364-2646 ranchotaj@gmail.com
Chris Nichols	YMIA	chris@wb6cdf.com
Rick Sayers	YMIA	760-574-6598 rick@ricksayers.com
Roxanna Shamay	Landers	760-333-2707 shamay@inreach.com

STANDING COMMITTEE

Community Outreach: Chairperson: Betty Munson

Jim Hanley, Rick Sayers

AD HOC COMMITTEE

Scenic 247 Committee: Chairperson: Betty Munson

Phillip Brown, Barbara Harris, Jim Harvey, Sarah Kennington, Sara Fairchild

Committee members not required to be members of the Council

Homestead Valley Community Council, Inc.

Treasurer's Report

May 2019

Checking Account:

Beginning Balance 04/01/2019.....	\$ 357.73
Income.....	0.00
Expense.....	0.00
Ending Balance 04/30/2019.....	\$ 357.73

Certificate of Deposit:

Issue Date 02/20/2019	Interest rate 1.98% (APY 2.00%)	Matures 11/20/2019
Beginning Balance 02/20/2019.....		\$4,500.00

Total HVCC Assets in USBank: (\$357.73 + \$4,500.00) \$4,857.73

Legend:

CK – Check DC– Debit Card DEP-Deposit EFT– Electronic Funds Transfer

Floy Creveling

Treasurer

Summer Solstice Fest – “Pizza for PowerPoints” Fundraiser (It promises to be a long day)

To: Homestead Valley Community Council

From: Jim Harvey

Proposal: Hold a fundraiser for the purchase of a powerpoint projector for our meetings and for Community Center Movie Nights

Details: I am proposing we hold a community fundraising event on June 22, 2019 at Homestead Valley Park from 10:00 AM to sundown. We can make 14” pizzas from scratch and bake them at the event as ordered. All the traditional toppings available. Cooks and servers will have food handlers permits. Chris Nichols will arrange Health Dept permit.

Slices – 4 per pie. \$2 cheese, \$2.50 2 topping, \$3.00 3 or more toppings.

Mojave Desert Brewers Guild will set up and do beer brewing demos all day. MDBG will donate craft beer for sale at the event and provide the dispensing equipment. Rick Sayers will obtain ABC license.

12 oz cup craft beer - \$3

Soda, water, chips, and other side items will be offered \$1 to \$2.

Roxanna Shamay will make all the arrangements for use of the park / building (sinks and bathrooms) and arrange for local musicians to provide live music throughout the day.

Additional needs:

Security to watch the exits so no beer leaves the park.

Age verification system for beer sales

Cashiers (possible credit card processing?)