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AGENDA AUGUST 17, 2015 Meeting of the Homestead Valley Community Council

3:00 p.m. at the Yucca Mesa Community Center 3133 Balsa Ave

Flag Salute Roll Call/Delegate List Approve Agenda Approve Minutes of July Meeting Treasurer's Report: Betty Munson

- 1. Guest Comments on items not on the agenda
- 2. Election of Officers
- **3. SB County Fire Dept** Chief Rick Denison
- 4. SB County Sheriffs Dept Sgt. Rick Millard
- 5. Guest Speaker James Ramos, County Supervisor
- **6. Jim Schooler** Representative from State Senator Jean Fuller
- 7. Report on LV-JV and Morongo Basin MACs
- 8. Committees:

Fund Raising/Events-no activity planned Advisory-no meeting of association presidents needed Public Outreach (Betty Munson) Community Services/Improvements/Cooperation (Rick Sayers) Scenic 247 (Betty Munson)

- 9. President's Report -
- 10. Action Items Community Reports List Announcements
- **11. Adjourn** next meeting Monday, September 21, 3:00 p.m. Location: Landers Belfield Hall, 58380 Reche Rd.

HVCC DELEGATES / COMMITTEE LIST

January 2015

INTERIM OFFICERS

President: Joanna Wright Vice President: Rick Sayers

Secretary/ Treasurer: Betty Munson

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.

| Adrienne Bishop | Landers | 364-2345 | |
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| Beverly Burkitt | Landers | 364-3684 | bbur70@gmail.com |
| Cliff Carlson | YMIA | 228-0031 | mrcjc@yahoo.com |
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| Joanna Wright | JVIA | 364-2207 | henryspiano@aol.com |

AD HOC COMMITTEES

Committee members not required to be members of the Council

Audit:

Marine Base Expansion: Chairperson: Amy Granat

Betty Munson, Michele Myers, Jim Harvey

STANDING COMMITTEES

Fund Raising/Events: activity postponed till further notice

Scenic 247 Committee Chairperson: Betty Munson

Advisory Committee Presidents of the 4 HVCC Community Associations

Community Outreach Chairperson: Betty Munson

Jim Hanley, Rick Sayers

Community Services / Improvements / Cooperation Chairperson: Rick Sayers

Jim Hanley

MINUTES JULY 20, 2015

Meeting of the Homestead Valley Community Council

3:00 p.m. at the Flamingo Heights Community Center 55977 Perris Road

Open with flag salute 3:01

Roll Call/Delegate List Jim Hanley, Jim Harvey, Michael Krantz, Larry Parrott absent. List approved.

Guests: Jim Schooler, Field Rep for State Senator Jean Fuller; Roxanna Shamay, Citizens on Patrol; Dennis Staley, Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency; Lib Koenig, MAC/SAC/RCA; Barbara Harris, Morongo Basin Historical Society; Sara A. Jones, Deanna Harding, Jim Sammons, Betty Stirratt

- -Agenda approved
- -Minutes of June Meeting approved with corrected month change
- -Treasurer's Report Betty Munson approved

1. Guest Comments on items not on the agenda

- -Sarah Jones, Landers: Why no direct communication to property owners when plans were announced for the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center into Johnson Valley.
- -Lib Koenig: invitation to Basin Wide Foundation breakfast 7 am August 6, at Helen Gray Education Center in Hi-Desert Hospital complex, Joshua Tree.
- **2. Election of Officers** Tabled until By-Laws review and more delegates added.

President once again requested council members to recruit representatives from their community.

3. SB County Fire Dept - Chief Rick Denison

62 calls since June 1; mostly medical, a few traffic accidents. Expect increased traffic problems on Hwy 247, Caltrans early estimate 2 months to repair I-10 bridge washed out in flash flooding. Handout Caltrans commuter alert.

Recent Lake Fire consumed resources, support arrived from many services. Commended evacuees' cooperation, and support from the communities. Yucca Valley High School Music Department donated their fundraiser day to collected snacks and water for firefighters – so successful there was a surplus, now cached in firehouses for future needs.

County Fire program: outreach to young men and women to be firefighters. See Join Our Team image on www.sbcfire.org.

Permits for allowed burns issued free at any fire station, call to find if burning is allowed, for what purpose and what time. Determined by State Fire Marshall, on days allowed by the Air Quality Management District.

4. SB County Sheriffs Dept - Sgt. Rick Millard Not available, stats for June e-mailed, not read to meeting

5. Jim Schooler, Field Representative for State Senator Jean Fuller

District 16 covers largest area in the state, 934,000 constituents same as other districts, in rural San Bernardino, Kern and Tulare Counties. Field Office recently opened in Bob Dunn State Farm building in Yucca Valley to improve communications with our end of the district.

So much legislative activity going on it's difficult to keep up and advise communities.

Fuller's term ends November 2018.

Watchdog for SRA Fire Prevention Fee and other taxes is Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association.

Discussion increased gasoline prices and Edison rates, penalties for state mandated conservation measures.

Discussion history of County refusing building permits for properties relying on hauled water although water hauling is permitted by state. Betty to send him info.

Discussion industrial renewable energy applications, lack of sufficient notification to neighbors and others affected, various projects successfully defeated by coalitions of local organizations and individuals.

Mr. Schooler plans to attend HVCC meetings whenever possible. He will be added to agendas, notification and newsletter lists.

- **6. Marine Training Scheduled for Shared Use Area** Letter from BLM and map in agenda packet, communities encouraged to distribute as widely as possible to overcome problems notifying long-distance visitors to Johnson Valley OHV Area; to avoid accidental trespass, possible injury.
- 7. Caltrans Public Meeting and Dollar General Turn Lane General feeling that Caltrans does not hear comments from locals concerning Hwy 247. Dollar General turnout lane, better but still not good.
 Larry Parrott expects to hear more on suspension of night roadwork due to encounter with phone cable.

8. Renewable Energy Projects

Brief discussion of very questionable Pew Poll of 800 desert voters' opinions on the Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Program (DRECP). One in four people were familiar it, 67 percent of those who knew about it said they supported it, while 15 percent opposed it. Although the plan was 5 years in the making, when people unaware of it were read a brief description of its goals, its approval rating climbed to 74 percent. The desert voters will not get to actually vote on the DRECP.

7. Report on LV-JV and Morongo Basin MACs

- -Morongo Basin MAC- no attendees present
- **-LV-JV MAC** June meeting saw presentation of the finished plans for the solar canopies and rooftop solar at the Lucerne Valley Market & Hardware, with backup gas turbine generator. July meeting had visit from a barn owl, resident of the Big Bear Zoo. Plans shown for future development, some animals already moved. This is not a capture zoo, it is a sanctuary for injured wildlife, cared for till they can be released, or cared for in the zoo.

9. Committees:

Fund Raising/Events-no events planned

Advisory - no issue requiring meeting of association presidents

Public Outreach (Betty Munson) placed radio, newspaper announcements of meeting; Briefs in the Hi-Desert Star **Community Services/Improvements/Cooperation** (Rick Sayers) - no report

Scenic 247 (Betty Munson) no report. Will send info to Jim Schooler.

9. President's Report - July 3rd Celebration at Homestead Valley Park very successful. Joanna thanked the communities for their support, and their donations in the collection cans in stores. Roxanna Shamay thanked the HVCC for donation for the fireworks.

10. Action Items and Community Reports List

-Info to Schooler on Hauled water problem and Scenic 247

Announcements:

- -Flamingo Heights Pizza and Potluck Dinner tomorrow 6pm, \$6 donation, \$1 with a dish.
- -Yucca Mesa July 22, Homegrown Poultry meeting 6-8 pm. July 24, Sue Braughan, Integrated Quantum.
- July 28, meet at 9:30 for field trip to Whitewater. July 28, Robert Anderson, Community Watch 6 pm.
- Aug 6, Garden Seed Swap & Potluck. Aug 11, Aquaponics Workshop 6 pm.
- -Landers, next meeting September 12, reveal of renovations in Belfield Hall, celebration of defeat of industrial solar. Quilting, Bingo, AA continue, also food giveaway on 3rd Mondays. Harmonica class suspended.
- -Johnson Valley Pioneer Potluck Saturday, August 1st. Bring old fashioned potluck dishes, hot or cold. and your own plate and utensils. Desserts supplied. \$2.00 with dish, \$6.00 without. Doors open 4:30; Dinner at 5:00; JVIA general meeting afterwards.

11. Adjourned 4:30

Next meeting 3rd Monday, August 17, 3:00 p.m. at Yucca Mesa Community Center.

Betty Munson secretary 760-364-2646

HOMESTEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL TREASURER'S REPORT AUGUST 17, 2015

| HVCC Checking Account | |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| BEGINNING BALANCE – 7/1/15\$2 | ,591.28 |
| INCOME | 0.00 |
| CK Donation to Homestead Valley Park 3rd July | -100.00 |
| CK Reimb Jim Harvey for renewing domain names | 20.34 |
| EXPENSES: | -120.34 |
| ENDING BALANCE CHECKING – 7/31/15\$2 | ,470.94 |
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| HVCC Savings Account | |
| BEGINNING BALANCE – 7/1/15\$4 | ,139.10 |
| INCOME | 0.00 |
| INTEREST DEP | 0.03 |
| ENDING BALANCE – 7/31/15\$4 | ,139.13 |
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