



**AGENDA: January 20, 2020 MEETING**  
**3:00 p.m. at Landers Belfield Hall, 58380 Reche Rd.**

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Flag Salute

Roll Call/Delegate List

Approve Agenda

Approve Minutes of November meeting included in agenda packet.

Treasurer's Report: Floy Creveling

1. **Guest Comments** on items not on the agenda
2. **SB County Fire** -
3. **SB County Sheriffs Dept** -
4. **Cal Fire** -
5. **California Highway Patrol (CHP)** -
6. **SB County 3<sup>rd</sup> District Supervisor Dawn Rowe**
7. **Committees:**
  1. *Standing:* Public Outreach (Betty Munson)
  2. *Ad Hoc:* Scenic Highway 247 (Betty Munson)
8. **President's Report**
9. **Community Reports List – Announcements**
10. **Review Action Items From This Meeting**

**Next HVCC meeting: Monday, February 17, 3:00 pm**  
Johnson Valley Community Center, 50567 Quailbush Rd

**Adjourn**

## **HVCC DELEGATES / COMMITTEE LIST**

### **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.*

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### **OFFICERS**

President: Jim Harvey  
Vice President: Rick Sayers  
Secretary: Betty Munson  
Treasurer: Floy Creveling

### **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, Chuck Bell

*Committee members not required to be members of the Council*

## MINUTES NOVEMBER 18, 2019 MEETING

3:00 p.m. at Flamingo Heights Community Center

Guests: County Supervisor Dawn Rowe, Mark Lundquist, Field Representative; Dominic Heiden, State Senator Field Representative; County Sheriff Lt. Lucas Niles; County Fire Battalion Chief Mike McClintock; Big Bear Councilman Rick Herrick; Sue Lefevre, Sharon Dove, Morongo Valley; Sarah Kennington, Pioneertown; Gary Creveling, Digna Cassens, Stale Louis-Floki Terranova Nakken, Jason Hansen, Court Prittie, Jack Dick, Charlotte Dick, Gerald Smetts, J. Larry Coulombe, Pat Terhune, Cliff Carlson

**Flag Salute** 3:04

**Roll Call/Delegate List** - Present: Kim Abramson, Dorothy Beasley, Adrienne Bishop, Jim Hanley, Jim Harvey, Betty Munson, Chris Nichols, Rick Sayers, Roxanna Shamay, Floy Creveling

**Agenda** - Approved

**Minutes** of the October meeting - Approved

**Treasurer's Report:** Floy Creveling – Approved

**1. Guest Comments on items not on the agenda** - Question, any follow-up CHP plans and Caltrans for Hwy 247. Increased presence of patrols have been observed.

**2. SB County Fire** - Battalion Chief Mike McClintock (had to leave early)

**3. SB County Sheriffs Dept** – Lt. Luke Niles – October calls for service stayed at 1700-1800 level, no dip down from peak summer months, but no big change in crime stats.

Report on successful prevention of relocation of a violent sexual predator into our county, due to massive effort: Supervisor Rowe and her staff, the District Attorney's office, and the Sheriffs Dept. Town Hall meeting kicked off protest; all our communities came together, made logical arguments that empowered officials.. Sheriffs documented school bus routes, children in area, disabled women, women living alone including several spouses of deployed Marines. Sexually Violent Predators classification means the worst of the worst of offenders, far exceeding a typical rapist or child molester. He presented a high threshold of danger, is young and capable of reoffending. Lt. Niles thanked the community: letters and petitions were read by the judge. When Dawn's staff was ready to speak on our behalf at the hearing, the judge opened with, I've read the submitted material and I'm ready to make a tentative ruling. Community sent a strong message to the group that looks for property: they need not search to relocate offenders here.

**4. Cal Fire** - unable to attend

**5. California Highway Patrol (CHP)** - unable to attend

**6. SB County 3rd District Supervisor Dawn Rowe** - added to Lt. Niles report: the judge said over 900 submissions received; Rowe's office received over 600. Over 600 people came to the Town Hall in Joshua Tree. The judge said she read probably 200 letters, referenced some and knew who the people were. About 20 Morongo Basin residents drove out the night before. The judge allowed two minutes each in public comment. They were respectful; they tried to each address a different point, avoiding repetition fatigue. The judge considered both written and public testimony. Rowe commented the system worked, our individual voices do make a difference. Lt. Niles and deputies went door to door raising awareness of the danger. The predator heard it all; the judge did not allow him to address the residents. His attorney said we have sexually-violent predators in your community (One 80-year-old in Yucca Valley, monitored by Sheriffs and DA, who offended here. One commenter objected the judge had not considered the well-being of the bad guy.

-Short-term rentals: one side claims their private property, their home, can be used to earn income. The other side complains of influx of traffic, loud music, strangers not part of the community that do not respect our rules. Where is the balance? Mark Lundquist and other team members reached out to both sides to review various proposed regulations.

Rowe introduced Big Bear City Council member Rick Herrick who is running for State Assembly 33rd District seat now held by Jay Obernolte. Rowe has reached out to communities who have rental ordinances with teeth; Big Bear Lake has a long history with vacation rentals. She mentioned other issues we share in 33rd District: scenic vistas, hauled water, additional truck traffic, more traffic on Hwy 247. Supervisors passed a Short-Term Rental Ordinance on November 5, to implement after 30 days. Much burden on the Sheriffs Department will go to County Code Enforcement. Free apps allow you to report problems. Mark has met two more Code Enforcement officers to work the Morongo Basin. People may earn a side income, respectful of their neighbors. Discussion, permit cost and duration, online application on <http://wp.sbcounty.gov/ezop>

Application will be taken, then property inspected, first come, first served.

-Frontier Communications installed eight poles for 5 gigahertz (not 5G) wireless hotspot to broadcast into neighborhoods without Internet access. Some poles were installed without notification to County office or residents. Strong pushback. County meeting in Joshua Tree Community Center on November 21, to be attended by Special Districts people who would issue permits and executives from Frontier. They are coming to apologize for tearing up dirt roads, parking Bobcats on private driveways, and do some outreach. The line-of-sight poles look like telephone poles with a dish.

Committee meeting on Broadband with cable before the Frontier meeting. Maps claim area service with only one dot on it.

-No update on FP-5 Fire Tax.

-Rowe asked a reporter why everyone has forgotten that hauled water is a big deal to us; to inquire, if the State allows some properties to be grandfathered for use of hauled water, why not new homes?

**7. State Senator Shannon Grove 16th District** - Field Representative Dominic Heiden -

Also involved in relocation of the Sexually Violent Predator, because Sen Shannon's office is not please with the State's current system. The predator's lawyer, citing the lapse of time finding a place for the man, complained he was still in jail. He wanted him to be released that day as a transient into Ventura County. This meant the State would pay \$500,000 to a babysitter to watch predator 24/7. The last time this individual was released, they issued him a tent in a riverbed. Somebody in a car kept eyes on him.

Jim Harvey informed Dominic the HVCC will help with anything the Senator needs to promote reform on the offender issue.

-Report on Marine who died on Tarawa in WWII. 75 years later his remains were recovered in a newly-discovered mass grave, identified by DNA as Private First Class Livermore from Bakersfield. Grove's office set up the escort to Bakersfield; the entire community lined the streets. Grove's office hosted the ceremony and the funeral. They will do this as many times as it takes.

Shannon Grove is the first female veteran ever to serve in the California Legislature.

-After being so deeply involved in the response to the Ridgecrest/Trona earthquake last July, Grove's office is ramping up to work with Homestead Valley on emergency preparedness.

**8. Congressman Paul Cook 8th District** - Rick Denison - unable to attend

**9. Community Disaster Preparedness Plan** - Roxanna Shamay

Roxanna requested the whole Homestead Valley be included in disaster planning after Marjorie Smith spoke at Landers.

Dominic Heiden cited presenter Marjorie Smith of Morongo Basin Community Organizations Active in Disaster {COAD} as a resource. Sen. Shannon's office can help with organizing community associations and individual for preparedness, and

She brought handouts and explained the usual emergency plan is to provide the greatest good for the greatest number of people, addressing safety and security issues, utilities, for the community, everything but people.

-Smith said COAD are volunteers, organizing major volunteer organizations and community organizations. Just as in Trona, with Hwys 62 and 247, we have only one way in. County help could not get in; Caltrans did repair road quickly, but still everyone was sitting in the dark without help, water, power in triple-digit heat.

-Water very important. Recommended, one gallon per day per person per pet for a min of 10 days. Saving water while waiting for the hot water, can be used to wash and flush toilets, if necessary to drink, it can be boiled.

Working to create local volunteer communication network, rather than 911. Home preparation available: CERT training, Office of Emergency Service class Until Help Arrives. Establishing donation Center to receive and distribute diapers, batteries, paper goods, clothing, etc. HAM radio operates in emergency. Assistance center for mass fatalities. Family first, then neighbors. Dominic recommended listing facilities, looking into funding sources for rural communities.

**10. Hauled Water Truck Emissions Regulations** - Betty Munson - California Air Resources Board requires commercial water haulers to replace diesel tanker trucks, cost around \$90,000. No grants available for this purpose. Fire trucks and school buses already in compliance, paid for by taxpayers? Trash trucks must comply by 2023. Water hauling ban has already strangled population growth in Johnson Valley, forbidding building permits for properties relying on hauled water. Even if State ban is repealed, not everyone has a tanker trailer or is capable of using one. They rely on commercial haulers. A serious emergency.

**11. New HVCC Website** - Jim Harvey - showed preliminary visuals for communities; need two or three photos unique to their area. First to display would rotate to be the community hosting the next meeting. Same documentation posted as now. News blog and stores. Resources, one-stop shop for regulations, apps, histories, photos of centers. Link to each community's website.

**12. Committees:**

1. Standing: Public Outreach (Betty Munson) radio, newspaper, newsletter list close to 300.

2. Ad Hoc: Scenic Highway 247 (Betty Munson) Sarah Kennington - Committee has submitted draft of Visual Assessment of all 76 miles of Hwy 247 scenic corridor including photos and maps by Brian Hammer. Caltrans Landscape Architect has shared it with her colleagues in Sacramento. Said Caltrans will no doubt support the project. Now wait to hear from Land Use Services. Betty will send sponsor information to Sarah.

**13. President's Report** - Jim not available for December meeting. Several Council members also not available; decided to cancel.

**14. Community Reports List & Announcements** -

Dorothy - FHCA Thanksgiving potluck successful. Board meeting Dec 12, 10:00 a.m. Christmas potluck, Dec, 14, 2:00 p.m. 7:00 with a side dish. Floy working on non-profit standing.

Roxanna - Landers Thrift Store open Fri, Sat; several yoga classes. Dominic came to Thanksgiving dinner in Landers and in Flamingo Heights. Dec 21 Children's party with Santa.

etty - JV Holiday Dinner Dec. 7, 10.00, 5:00 p.m. New Year Party no charge, bring your own drinks & snacks. Seven vendors at Swap Meet, 60 people for Saturday Breakfast.

Chris - YM held second Open Mic night, very successful. Plan another for Dec. 12. Dec 13 dinner, and Board election.

**15. Review Action Items From This Meeting** - none

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Betty Munson, Secretary

**Homestead Valley Community Council, Inc.**

**Treasurer's Report**

For the month of November 2019 to be reported on

**January 20, 2020**

**Checking Account:**

Beginning Balance 11/01/2019.....	\$ 478.77
Income.....	\$ 4,567.13
• Deposit of Certificate of Deposit balance of \$4,567.13 on 11/21/2019	
Expense.....	\$ 0.00
Ending Balance 11/30/2019.....	\$ 5,045.90

**Certificate of Deposit: Closed**

Issue Date 02/20/2019	Interest rate 1.98% (APY 2.00%)	Matured 11/20/2019
Beginning Balance 02/20/2019.....		\$4,500.00
Interest paid this year .....		\$ 67.13
Ending Balance 11/21/2019.....		\$4,567.13

**Proceeds deposited into Checking on 11/21/2019 as per Board vote**

**Total HVCC Assets in Bank..... \$5,045.90**

**Legend:**

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

**Floy Creveling**

**Treasurer**

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