



**May 16, 2022 Minutes**  
**3:00 p.m. at Landers Belfield Hall**  
**58380 Reche Rd.**

- Flag Salute

- Kim Abramson did the Roll Call - Adrienne Bishop, Betty Munson and Chris Nichols absent.

- Jim Hanley makes a motion to adopt the agenda. Rick Sayers seconds. 6 in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

**10. Nominating Committee to present 2022/23 Officers Slate** - Jim Harvey says the President is not part of the delegate count. Roxanne Shamay makes a motion that the President is not part of the delegate count. Floy Creveling seconds. 6 in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

Jim Hanley makes a motion that Kim Abramson will be a delegate of HVCC and Justin Merino will be an alternate delegate of HVCC. Roxanne Shamay seconds. 6 in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

- Treasurer's Report given by Floy Creveling. Beginning balance \$12,269.25. Ending balance \$12,278.48. Roxanne Shamay makes a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Jim Hanley seconds. 7 in favor. None opposed. Motion passed. (See attached).

**1. Guest Comments** – Steve Bardwell from Morongo Basin Conservation Association speaks about vacation rentals. Justin Merino says the Red Cross did:

1. 2 dozen alarms installed in mobile home parks in 29 Palms in partnership w SBCFD.
2. RC working w SBCFD on partnership for alarms to cover all mobile home parks.
3. Need for volunteers for smoke alarm installations.
4. Partnership w CMC EMS students for alarm installations who get extra credit.
5. We offer bed shakers for hard of hearing residents.

**2. 29 Palms MCAGCC** – Kimberly Pope speaks. The Shared Off Road Areas are open again.

**3. SB County Fire Dept** – Assistant Chief Tuttle gives April stats: Johnson Valley 12 calls, Flamingo Heights and Landers 48 calls and Yucca Mesa 33 calls. There was 1 structure fire in Landers. There is a current fire in Hesperia over 5 miles. There's a multi-unit complex fire in

Joshua Tree. The fire department had the fire in Joshua Tree under control in 10 minutes. Burn fire permits will not be given out as of Monday, May 23, 2022. Propane and Natural Gas are still allowed. Camp fires are allowed if less than 4' in diameter, there has to be water within 30' and wind has to be less than 15 mph. Justin Merino speaks. Be a good neighbor, double sided form on short term rentals. The Welcome Center gives away a free binder for short term rental owners.

**4. SB County 3rd District – Steve Reyes reads statistics:**

Illegal Marijuana Stats from Code Enforcement:

768 Open Cases.

684 Notice of Violations sent out.

568 Citations Issues.

1.25 million dollars in fines.

16 completed abatements.

Here is the information regarding the mobile assessor unit:

<https://arc.sbcounty.gov/mobileunit/>

And the type of documents you can obtain: Birth Certificate Copies

Death Certificates Copies

Marriage Certificates Copies

San Bernardino County only has records of births and deaths that occurred in San Bernardino County or marriage licenses that were purchased in San Bernardino County.

**5. State Senator Shannon Grove** - Field Representative Dominic Heiden says SB 1073 to provide a property tax exemption for disabled veterans continues to receive bipartisan support. It passed the military and veterans affairs committee and is currently in appropriations and will be voted on this week.

SB 1195 to increase satellite veterans mental and physical health clinics has passed out of the Senate and is now on to the Assembly!

SB 1156 to provide immediate relief at the pump was voted down along party lines.

Unfortunately despite our caucus presenting real solutions to insane gas prices, the majority caucus continues to refuse to take any meaningful steps to help Californians.

SB 1356 to get more fuel flowing through the supply chain which was accepted by the Governor earlier this year as a necessary measure, was shot down by the majority in committee.

SB 1319 aimed at bolstering California oil production has also moved to appropriations and is awaiting a vote this week.

SB 1484, our bill to provide a tax cut to business employing foster youth is also in appropriations and will hopefully pass on to the Assembly.

One major factor contributing to the current budget surplus in California of over \$90 billion is over-taxation. Our philosophy continues to be that the best way to address the affordability crisis that Californians and Americans are facing is to collect less taxes in the first place. That is why our caucus has called on the governor and legislative leadership to implement the gas tax holiday, in addition to tax cuts for renters, students, and businesses. The state needs to pay down the massive \$18 billion unemployment debt, we need more water storage, better wildfire prevention, and ultimately we need real solutions to make our state better.

**6. Congressman Jay Obernolte** - Representative Hayden Bartz No Report.

**7. Morongo Basin Historical Society** - President Claudia Spotts speaks. Morongo Basin Historical Society's mission statement is to save local history in the Morongo Basin. Since the Morongo Basin Historical Society museum is located in the home of Newlin and Vernetta Landers 632 Landers Lane, we are also one of the four Homestead Valley Communities with a rich history of Jackrabbit homesteading. This year the society celebrated the 60th Anniversary of the Landers Post Office. The VFW Post #7264 raised the historic flag that flew over the Capitol in Washington D.C. February, 1962!

On June 25 from 9:00 to 1:00 we are hosting a symposium in Pioneertown to discuss the 1992 Landers Earthquake. The first responders like PEPN, Red Cross, MB COAD, CERT etc. will educate the public about how to prepare for future disasters. We want to learn about your personal experiences too. Please contact us at [morongobasinhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:morongobasinhistoricalsociety@gmail.com) and we will scan your photos of the destruction and interview you by phone. We will compile a booklet for MB Historical Society 'Citizen Historians' project to be published at the end of 2022.

Thirdly, we'd like to partner with the homestead communities, to put the Morongo Basin Historical Society on the map. We are on the way to Gubler's Orchids, the Integratron and Giant Rock, yet no one stops to see our museum. Please tell you social groups about our free 'Step into History' tour. Encourage the Landers Garden Club, your church group or book club to visit 632 Landers Lane, so we can introduce you to our jewel of a museum. Our collection is 100% donated by local people and local organizations. Don't wait, save your history today.

**8. San Bernardino County Fire Chief Dan Munsey** speaks. Dan came to the hi-desert before the 1992 earthquake. San Bernardino County fire is a special district not a fire department. Fire Chief Munsey talks about the loss of service zone FP-5 revenue. (See attached).

Assistant Chief Tuttle speaks. There will be an increase of 2 more fire fighters in Twentynine Palms. Assistant Chief Tuttle also wants to increase a fire fighter in Lake Havasu.

**9. Proposed Change to HVCC Standing Rules "Delegate Membership"** - Jim Harvey reads changes to Standing Rules. (See attached).

**10. Nominating Committee to Present 2022-2023 Officers Slate** - Jim Harvey says all 4 officers have agreed to run for 2022-2023.

**11. Committees:**

1. *Standing*: Public Outreach -

2. *Ad Hoc*: Scenic Highway 247 - Jim Harvey and Betty Munson are trying to get Scenic Highway 247 passed.

**12. President's Report** - Jim Harvey will update website and notify press.

**13. Community Reports List – Announcements** – Kim Abramson says Johnson Valley Improvement Association has breakfast from 7 am to 10 am every Saturday morning. Friday is Pinochle Club from 12pm to 4 pm. The dinner is the first Saturday of every month. June's dinner is Spaghetti at 5 pm. \$8 adults/\$4 children. Floy Creveling says the 2nd Saturday is the craft faire at the Landers Association. The Adopt a Highway is the 3rd Saturday at Mile Marker 10-12. Quilting Club is the 1st and 3rd Tuesday. Quilting Club is the 1st and 3rd Tuesday from 10 am - 2 pm. The Thrift Store is open every Saturday from 10 am - 3 pm. Roxanna Shamay says HELP is putting on 'The Hometown Hodown' May 21, 2022 from 12 pm - 11 pm at the Homestead Valley Park in Landers. There will be 3 Western bands and a special guest. There will be food, beer and silent auction. The 3rd Saturday is the board meeting. Every month they pick up trash. Roxanna Shamay said June 11, 2022 is the tire, ewaste, appliances and hazard waste pickup. Rick Sayers says Yucca Mesa Improvement Association is still renting out their building for weddings, bar/bat mitzvah's, baby showers, etc. Yucca Mesa is having a Hiring Fair the next 3 Fridays from 8 am to 3-4 pm for Aldi's. They are hiring 15 people. Flamingo Heights is having it's septic tank done May 25, 2022. Flamingo Heights Community Association is open for voting in June and November.

**14. Review Action Items From This Meeting** - Jim Harvey

**Next HVCC meeting: Monday, June 20, 2022 at 3:00 pm Johnson Valley Improvement Association 50567 A Quailbush Rd.**

**Adjourn**