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## **AGENDA APRIL 18, 2016 MEETING**

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

Flag Salute

Roll Call/Delegate List

Approve Agenda

Approve Minutes of February meeting

Treasurer's Report: Betty Munson

- 1. Guest Comments** on items not on the agenda
- 2. Election of Officers** We have an unequal number of delegates from each organization. Each member please encourage more representation
- 3. SB County Fire Dept** - Chief Scott Tuttle
- 4. SB County Sheriffs Dept** - Capt Jeff Joling
- 5. CalFire** - Chief Grant Malinowski Chief Tony Snow
- 6. Jim Schooler** - Representative from State Senator Jean Fuller
- 7. SPARC Forum** - Renewable Energy in the County General Plan
- 8. SRA BOUNDARIES-** Adjusting CalFire State Responsibility Area Boundaries in the Homestead Valley
- 9. BLM Land Use Plan Amendment**
- 10. Report on LV-JV and Morongo Basin MACs**  
LV-JV MAC Recommendation Letter included in this agenda packet
- 11. Committees:**
  - Fund Raising/Events-(Joanna Wright)
  - Advisory-no meeting necessary
  - Public Outreach (Betty Munson)
  - Community Services/Improvements/Cooperation (Rick Sayers)
  - Scenic 247 (Betty Munson)
- 12. President's Report**
- 13. Action Items - Community Reports List - Announcements**  
Next meeting Monday, May 16, 3:00 p.m. Location: Landers Belfield Hall
- 14. Adjourn**

## 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	
Beverly Burkitt	Landers	364-3684	bbur70@gmail.com
Cliff Carlson	YMIA	228-0031	mrcjc@yahoo.com
Jim Hanley	JVIA	364-4829	jhaflame@aol.com
Jim Harvey	JVIA	401-1015	johnsonvalley@gmail.com Alternate
Michael Krantz	Landers	364-2172	makrantz@gmail.com
Betty Munson	JVIA	364-2646	ranchotaj@gmail.com
Larry Parrott	FHCA	333-1196	larryparrott2@gmail.com
Rick Sayers	YMIA	574-6598	rick@ricksayers.com
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 MARCH 21, 2016

### Meeting of the Homestead Valley Community Council

3:00 p.m. at Flamingo Heights Community Center, 55977 Perris Rd.

Open with Flag Salute at 3:00 p.m.

Roll Call/Delegate List Present:

Adrienne Bishop, Cliff Carlson, Jim Hanley, Betty Munson, Rick Sayers, Joanna Wright

Guests: Roxanna Shamay, Citizens on Patrol; Dennis Staley, Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency; Tony Jones, Tom Smith, Joe Reilly, Danny Lopez, CalFire; Linda E. Walsh, JVIA, Barbara Harris, Morongo Basin Historical Society; MCAGCC G-5, Kristina Becker, Community Relations Officer and Assistant Chief of Staff James M. Ricker

**Agenda approved** with speakers from MCAGCC concerning land closure in Johnson Valley after item #5  
**Minutes** of February Meeting approved

**Treasurer's Report** approved

**1. Guest Comments** on items not on the agenda - none. Question about Verizon cell tower Planning Commission meeting: to be held tomorrow at 6:00 p.m. in Yucca Room at Community Center.

**2. Election of Officers** By-Laws state election should be held in April, but the number of delegates from each organization is still unequal. Each member asked encourage more representation.  
Council continuing with interim officers.

**3. SB County Fire Dept** - Battalion Chief Scott Tuttle, unable to attend

**4. SB County Sheriffs Dept** - Capt Jeff Joling. County area, over 2700 sq. mi. Last month 1,577 calls, 80 reports, 36 arrests. Detective Division have made many arrests. Around \$100,000 in stolen property recovered in the last 45 days, rounded up a bad group of people who have done multiple thefts. Discussion vandalism by children and burglaries in Johnson Valley. No feedback on juveniles unless Sheriffs Dept checking on probations. Advice: lock everything up; don't leave keys in car; don't leave valuable items in plain view in yard or vehicle; *protect your identity*.  
Modern monitored audible alarm systems have fewer false alarms, battery backups.

**5. CalFire** - Chief Tony Jones

Wind Advisory coming. Waiting for El Niño, conditions dry. All stations will be manned in a couple of weeks. Fire prevention inspections in State Responsibility Area (SRA) generally south and west of Hwy 247. Burn permits, call 760-365-4411, Yucca Valley Station, they will come to you to write permit.

**8. Marine Land Closure in Johnson Valley**

Kristina Becker, Community Relations Officer; Assistant Chief of Staff James M. Ricker.

Next public meeting scheduled for April 2 at the Lucerne Valley Community Center from 10:00-2:00.

Open House with updated maps, handouts and video demonstration of smart phone app that alerts you that you are too close to the border. There will also be discussion of explosive ordnance disposal; natural resources, desert tortoise. Kristina brought maps, new handouts on sound reporting. Closure of Shared Use Area, August 1-30. Training requirements still being reviewed. Discussion of sounds, low-flying helicopters; all reports are charted. Any damage should be in initial report, it's an insurance claim.

**6. Jim Schooler** Field Representative from State Senator Jean Fuller, unable to attend

**7. SPARC Forum:** County is adding standards for permitting of renewable energy projects to the County Plan. Public meetings were held in Lucerne Valley and Joshua Tree last week.

If you did not attend, we urge you to go to the county website [www.sparcforum.org](http://www.sparcforum.org) to participate in this process and make your comments on **Cost and Benefits**.

The County has met with strong public resistance to industrial scale solar and wind projects. Some that were given permits have demonstrated the negative effects of destroying desert lands for commercial energy production.

HVCC has passed resolutions and written comments for years, and some projects have been withdrawn. About 50 well-informed people attended the SPARC Forum in Lucerne Valley; the consulting group heard everything that has gone wrong with industrial-scale renewable energy projects.

**9. BLM Land Use Plan Amendment**-List of Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC) within the Desert Renewable Energy and Conservation Plan (DRECP) area. 60-day comment period, ends May 11. No one at HVCC meeting was able to inform the meeting on any specifics of the plan, or the maps supplied.

**10. Report on LV-JV and Morongo Basin MACs -**  
LV-JV MAC

The meeting was last Thursday, March 17. Neither Betty nor Joanna could attend.

MB MAC-Lib Koenig. Resolutions against the Alta Loma development and the airport solar field in Joshua Tree.

**11. Committees:**

- Fund Raising/Events - Poker Run next year.
- Advisory-no meeting of organization presidents was necessary
- Public Outreach - Betty Munson- meeting notice to radio and Hi-Desert Star, various County & State officials, sent out agenda packets to various interested parties.
- Community Services/Improvements/Co-operation (Rick Sayers) The people don't want it, but Verizon is giving the town a lot of money. Discussion In-and-Out, I-Hop, Arby's, PPS building development. Question: do developers come to water companies first to determine if there is enough water.
- Scenic 247- Betty Munson. Have heard nothing more about the \$300,000 budget for consultants study. Committee will begin developing website promoting Scenic 247. Barbara suggested Facebook. DRECP Development Focus Area in the open country across from the Old Woman Springs Ranch is a threat to the scenic corridor; intended to generate revenue for teachers retirement funds. Need to research state land commission.

**12. President's Report** - no report

**13. Action Items - Community Reports List** Scenic 247 campaign

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Flamingo Heights Potluck** 3rd Tuesday 6 pm, Donation \$6, \$1 with dish.
- **Yucca Mesa** - Rick.
  - Potluck Friday 6pm.
  - First and Third Saturday Swap Meets, 8:00-2:00pm, now 10.00 space rent, Mexican food.
- **Landers** -Joanna, Roxane.
  - Rodeo on Memorial Day weekend at Homestead Valley Park in Landers, 4:00-9:00 Friday; 4:00-11:00 Saturday, dance after, western band.
- **Johnson Valley**
  - SPRING DINNER Saturday, April 2, at 5:00 p.m. Ham dinner. Desserts by Linda Walsh. Donation 7.00 per person. Kids age 12 and under, only 4.00.
  - Opportunity Drawing: valuable **Thomas Kinkade framed lithograph** donated to JVIA for a fundraiser. Drawing at the JV Cinco de Mayo party, May 7. You do not have to be present to win. Tickets 1.00 each, 6 FOR 5.00.
  - After dinner: the Scenic 247 presentation slide show.

**Easter Sunrise Service** First Baptist Church of JV, 6:00 a.m., Sunday, March 27, everyone is invited. 50636 Golden Ray Road. Big breakfast afterwards at no charge!

**Next HVCC meeting** Monday, April 18, at 3:00 pm **Yucca Mesa Community Center** 3133 Balsa Ave.

**14. Adjourn 4:16**

*-Betty Munson, secretary*

**HOMESTEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
APRIL 2016**

**HVCC Checking Account**

BEGINNING BALANCE –3/1/16 .....	\$2,324.94
INCOME .....	0.00
EXPENSES .....	0.00
ENDING BALANCE CHECKING – 3/31/16 .....	\$2,324.94

**HVCC Savings Account**

BEGINNING BALANCE –3/1/16 .....	\$4,139.34
INCOME .....	0.00
INTEREST DEP .....	0.03
ENDING BALANCE – 3/31/16 .....	\$4,139.37

**Total HVCC Assets .....\$6,464.31**

**CASH IN BANK:**

US BANK – CHECKING .....	\$2,324.94
US BANK – SAVINGS .....	4,139.37
TOTAL CASH IN BANK ACCOUNTS .....	\$6,464.31

**LEGEND:**

CK - CHECK

DC - DEBIT CARD

DEP - DEPOSIT

EFT – ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER

BETTY MUNSON  
TREASURER

**Lucerne Valley - Johnson Valley Municipal Advisory Council  
Third District of San Bernardino County  
do County Service Area 29  
P.O. Box 459  
Lucerne Valley, CA 92356**

To: Third District Supervisor, James Ramos County Government Center of San Bernardino 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Fifth Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0110

Re: LVJV MAC Recommendation on the State Responsibility Area Boundary in Lucerne Valley and Johnson Valley

Dear Supervisor Ramos;

Since the Board of Equalization collects a fee for the CALFIRE budget to cover fire suppression in the SRA boundaries, and since the residents of Lucerne Valley and Johnson Valley feel that the boundaries are too far north of the wildlands areas of the foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains, it is hereby recommended that the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors supports an effort to move the boundaries southerly to the foothills slopes as to where the wildlands begin. This is demonstrated by the type of brush and other flora that needs the CALFIRE protection. The habitable lands in the SRA areas are already covered by the county for fire protection.

This proposed boundary would be defined as the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) boundary. The desert areas should be out of the SRA boundary especially when the county already provides fire protection.

Sincerely;

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Richard Selby, LV/JV MAC Chairman, April 21, 2016

Cc: Third District Chief of Staff Phil Paule, Field Representative Beverly Lowry