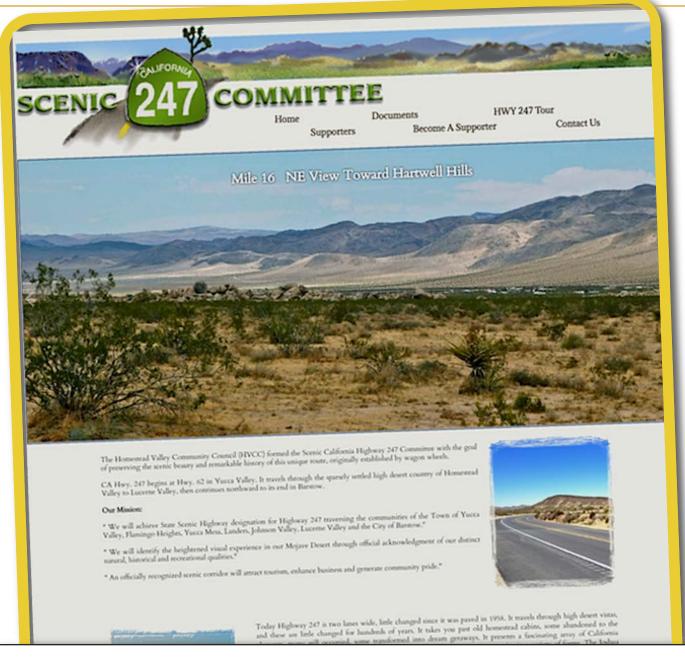
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Updated Scenic 247 Website Will Be Viewable on All Devices

The HVCC Scenic 247 Committee has made progress in all its official requirements.

Sara Fairchild, our Landscape Architect, has submitted for review several sections of her Visual Assessment work for the County presentation for review by the Caltrans Landscape Architect. The website progresses, too. Responsive design standards make expansive views look great on desktops to tablets to phones. Ideal for travelers on Scenic 247, eventually you will see a map interactive with destinations,

histories and landmark descriptions!

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Dawn Rowe Appointed
3rd District Supervisor
Selected by the Board of
Supervisors to complete
James Ramos' term after his
election to State Assembly,
Dawn Rowe has already
made her presence known
among her constituents.

The HVCC looks forward

to this return to personal
3rd District representation.
We now have a desert resident, long familiar with issues that affect our way of life, bringing both local and federal government experience to her post on the County Board of Supervisors.

January 21 – At the first meeting of 2019, in Landers Belfield Hall, Supervisor Dawn Rowe swore in the new officers of the Homestead Valley Community Council. Shown above from left to right:

Betty Munson, Secretary, from Johnson Valley;

Rick Sayers, Vice President, from Yucca Mesa;

Jim Harvey, President, from Johnson Valley.

Not shown, Floy Creveling, Treasurer, from Landers.

Rowe was asked to introduce herself, then read HVCC's pledge for officers to repeat.

At right: County Supervisor

Dawn Rowe

She also came to the February 18 meeting in Johnson Valley and answered questions.

Hot topics at both meetings: County Fire Tax: Cindy Henry spoke about the Fire Tax Coalition.

Looking ahead to the possibility that current litigation succeeds in bringing this to a legal vote, Henry is exploring ways and means for reaching every voter. She supplied updates on the lawsuits by The Red

Brennan Group and Ron Austin, a related annexation lawsuit by San Antonio Heights, and proposed legislation triggered by the coalition.

Policy 4.10 of the County Renewable Energy and Conservation Element of the County Plan: Supervisor Rowe had asked the Supervisors bring this to a vote as soon as possible, whether or not to approve the original language of Policy 4.10 as recommended by the Planning Commission.

Rowe urged residents in unincorporated communities to attend a special meeting on this issue alone, Thursday, February 28, and make their opinions known to the Supervisors. Attorney Steve Mills came to HVCC in February to help promote this grass roots action, to stand up in person and be counted. We won. The Board of Supervisors voted 4–1 in favor of the Policy 4.10, giving us a defense against industrial solar projects in our communities.

Supervisor Rowe confirmed she plans to meet again with the HVCC on Monday, April 15, at the Yucca Mesa Community Center. The Council invites everyone to come, ask questions and make comments.

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