

Juniper Hills Town Council
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General Meeting
June 3, 2009
MINUTES

The General Meeting of the Juniper Hills Town Council was called to order at the Juniper Hills Community Building 31403 106th Street East, Juniper Hills CA 93543 on June 3, 2009, 7:08 pm by the President, Mr. Pomeroy.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Pierce

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

PRESENT	EXCUSED	ABESENT
Vance Pomeroy	Suzanne Richter	
Don Pierce	Douglas DiJulio	
Walt Grabe		
Dave Reichel		
Billie Dickey		

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The review and approval of the Minutes for the May 2009 meeting was postponed until the July meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The report was presented reviewed and approved. There were no bills presented and no donations to be acknowledged.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Pomeroy mentioned the success of the trash pickup that occurred on May 16, and that a letter of thanks is being sent to Waste Management for the bins they supplied at no cost to us. Mr. Pierce and Mr. Grabe provide more details of the pick-up. It was agreed that we would have another pick-up this fall, in conjunction with the JHCA workday. Mr. Pierce said he will look into the possibility of getting bins for electronic items and a separate bin for old tires.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

JHCA
June 6 General Membership Meeting with potluck dinner – 6 pm
June 20 Mexican Fiesta 6 – 10:30 pm
Devils Punchbowl county Park
June 6 Full moon hike – 8 pm
June 20 Telescope program – 9pm

GUESTS AND SPEAKERS

Henry Balta, Los Angeles County Information Office, gave an excellent presentation on the Emergency Mass Notification System (EMNS) that is ready to be activated. He then answered the many questions that arose. Official announcement of the system will be this coming Monday, June 8.

GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES' ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Norm Hickling, Supervisor's Office – followed up on comments about the EMNS and later about the Ground Water Settlement that is still in progress.

LACo Sheriff's

Deputy Engels asked questions to this evening's speaker, Mr. Balta, about who makes the decision as to whether or not to send out an "alert" message. After considerable discussion, it was determined that the "local emergency manager" would be Sheriff dispatcher. Deputy Ferrell gave a report on many of the activities in which he has been involved which related to Juniper Hills, including the number of local vendors located on street corners, and about mail box break-ins. For information about crimes in any given area, go to www.crimereports.com and type in an address in the area of concern

REPORTS

FUTURE SPEAKERS

Mr. Pomeroy mentioned that a person related to trash hauling might be the speaker at the August meeting, and the candidates for the Palmdale Water District be the speakers at the October meeting.

YO-YO COMMITTEE

Mr. Grabe (on his wife's behalf) noted that progress is being made, and there are reams of paperwork so far.

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The next meetings of the Wine Tasting Event Committee will be June 12 and 26 at the Weatherbies'. Tickets are now available. The report about the sale of T-shirts was deferred, since Ms. Richter was not present.

JHCA LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Pierce reported on the items that he had passed on to the JHCA Board, and that they had no items of issue to pass back to us.

JH WATER GROUP LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Pomeroy first emphasized that the JH Water Group is NOT a part of the Town Council, but that we allow a report to be given. Mrs. Dickey reported briefly on the meeting held the previous night, and Mr. Hickling further commented that a committee representing all parties in the settlement of the issue is now meeting every two weeks, and he hopes that a resolution will be reached soon. Mrs. Dickey had an additional form to be filled out, but decided to withhold it, based on the report from Mr. Hickling.

ARTC REPORT

Mr. Pomeroy reported that statistics are being obtained from Waste Management about the trash collection franchise. He also reported that the County's Regional Planning group is doing its own report, and an excellent one.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SIGNAGE

Mr. Hickling reported that the County (Mark Caddick) is concerned about their being too much information on the sign, causing a slow-down of traffic. Norm also mentioned that is a \$1,500 permit fee.

STREET LIGHTING

Mr. Pomeroy reported that there has still been no work done at the light for the intersection of Cima Mesa and 106th, even though the work order was issued. He said he would follow up.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Dickey noted the many hours that Mr. Hickling has devoted to Juniper Hills in the many, many hours that he works. It was moved by Mrs. Dickey, seconded by Mr. Grabe that we purchase a 5# box of assorted chocolates, along with a thank you card. She will then deliver the chocolates and card on a date dependent on when Mr. Hickling is available.

A question was raised by a member of the audience about the road-grading requirement of absentee landlords. She was advised that there is really nothing that can be done.

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 PM

Respectfully submitted by

Don Pierce
For Douglas DiJulio- Secretary