



JUNIPER HILLS TOWN COUNCIL

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General Meeting
December 1, 2010
MINUTES

<p>The General Meeting of the Juniper Hills Town Council was called to order December 1, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. by Vice President Walt Grabe at the Juniper Hills Community Center, 31401 106th St East, Juniper Hills, California 93543</p>	<p>CALL TO ORDER</p>																														
<p>The Pledge of Allegiance was led by</p>	<p>FLAG SALUTE</p>																														
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<p>Minutes of November 3, 2010 were approved as published</p>	<p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</p>																														
<p>Treasurer's Report was approved as submitted. Balance on hand as of November 30 is \$2344.05. IRS has replied that they have received the 1099N Received a billing \$496.26 for the signs. We have paid \$250.00. They show a balance of \$226.26 from Public Works. Mark Caddick has advised do not pay the difference as he is looking into the situation. Don is holding a bill for the YO-YO Committee which Lori will pay.</p>	<p>TREASURER</p>																														
<p>A note was received from Mr. Antonovich thanking the Council for participation in the "Adopt a Highway" program.</p>	<p>COMMUNICATION</p>																														
<p>The following items of interest were announced: Juniper Hills Community Association (http://www.juniperhills-ca.org/jhca/index.htm) December 4 General Membership Dinner (6pm) & Meeting (7pm) Devil's Punchbowl County Park (http://www.devils-punchbowl.com) December 13 Geminids Meteor Shower – 9pm December 18 Full Moon Hike – 7pm</p>	<p>ITEMS OF INTEREST</p>																														
<p>Mr. Grabe announced the newly elected members to the Council, Brenda Avadian, Cathy Conrad, Walt Grabe and Vance Pomeroy. Mr. Norm Hickling, Field Deputy for Supervisor Antonovich, administered the oath of office to the entire Council, except Mr. Pomeroy, who will be installed at the February meeting. Mrs. Conrad then took her seat.</p>	<p>INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL</p>																														
<p>Mr. Pierce, Parliamentarian, conducted the election of Officers. Mr. Pomeroy, President; Mrs. Weatherbie, Vice President; Mr. Grabe, Secretary; and Mr. Pierce, Treasurer. Mr. Grabe called for nominations for Parliamentarian. Mr. Pierce was unanimously elected.</p>	<p>ELECTION and SEATING OF OFFICERS</p>																														
<p>Norm Hickling, Field Deputy for Supervisor Antonovich, stated that representatives of Water Works are now sitting down with the rest of the group and hopefully will come to a settlement. They have their own agenda. No changes on the Hauled Water issue.</p> <p>Supervisors voted to eliminate plastic bags in the unincorporated part of the county. The first reading for the elimination of Medical Marijuana has taken place. The County is working on the "Dark Skies" issue, to eliminate heavy lighting in unincorporated areas.</p> <p>Deputy Ferrell advised there is a homeless encampment at 220th and Palmdale Blvd, and also at 106th and T-12 they are working on clearing. In the Lakes area they found a parolee and his girlfriend wearing Police apparel. Both were arrested.</p>	<p>GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES' ANNOUNCEMENTS</p>																														

<p>A question was asked, if a car that appears to be an officer tries to pull you over and you have concern about the situation, what does one do? If a patrol car attempts to stop you and you suspect it is not a valid person stopping you, find a well lit place and pull over. Or you can call 911.</p> <p><u>Los Angeles Co. Sheriff's Department – Deputies Ferrell [(661) 272-2418] and Engels – For General Questions/Contact, dial 211 – For Emergencies, dial 911. For a non-emergency situation that is suspicious, note the details & call the Palmdale Station right away – dial (661) 272-2400.</u></p>	
<p>REPORTS</p>	
<p>Future Speakers – Confirmation - Rachel Montez-Kemp - LACo Animal Control (Feb); Bob Finberg - Homeowner Insurance (April); Bonnie Duecker - Cal Water Project (June). Suggestions for future: Edwards AFB; Knight; Runner; reps; Larry Grooms – No December speaker</p>	<p>FUTURE SPEAKERS</p>
<p>Mrs. Weatherbie stated Mrs. Zieman of the California Fire Safe Council spoke to the group about preparing to write a grant application. She discussed the recently mailed YOYO Letter and the reason that Fire Clearance was not covered due to the recent citing of the Witts. CERT Training will take place in January. The Committee will begin working towards writing a grant. Storage Containers were provided to the Lancaster Rotary Club and are not available to Juniper Hills. We plan on including these in a grant. First we must develop a Community Wildfire Protection Plan. June 25 is the day set aside as “Chipper-Shredder Day.”</p>	<p>YOYO Committee</p>
<p>Winetasting Committee Report. Ninety-four tickets were sold. A report will be presented at the February meeting. The Town Council will receive 20% of the profit.</p> <p>We have 19 Sweatshirts remaining; 9 medium, 7 X-Large, 3 XX-Large.</p>	<p>Resource Development Committee</p>
<p>Members of the Council met with representatives from the Planning Department, Code Enforcement, and Fire Department regarding the Vegetation Conservation Buffer. The only thing that came out of the meeting was that the Planning Department and Fire Department representatives talked, and Planning agreed to involve Fire in the future. According to Code Enforcement, all vegetation within the 30 foot buffer must be retained, including grass, Buckwheat, Rabbit Bush, etc.</p> <p>No report regarding update of Community Standards.</p> <p>No report on the request for hearing date change regarding the grading CUP at 31590 106th St E to February 15. Mr. Grabe stated that he felt the Planning Department should show consistency in the plans and grading allowed and plans to call Mr. Gomez. Mrs. Conrad reported on a grading situation adjacent to her property that has become a major problem.</p>	<p>Community Standards Committee</p>
<p>Webmaster rules were discussed. Mrs. Weatherbie agreed to draft some. Mr. Pierce stated Antelecom is interested placing antennae on Community Center property at the top of the hill. Discussion was held as to whether the Town Council must approve this before anything further takes place.</p>	<p>Webmaster/Website</p>
<p>Report on JHCA Activities and concerns – nothing new.</p>	<p>JHCA Liaison Report</p>
<p>Report on JHWG Activities and concerns – no report due to Mrs. Dickey's absence.</p> <p>[Note: the JHWG is not part of the JHTC]</p>	<p>JH Water Group Liaison Report</p>
<p>Next meeting of the AVIDTF is Wednesday, December 8, 3:00pm at Fire Station 129 – meetings are every second Wednesday. Mr. Levin has agreed to represent Juniper Hills.</p>	<p>Antelope Valley Illegal Dumping Task Force Liaison</p>
<p>Hauled Water response from Dept of Public Health; Wayne Argo seeking replacement as Director - Next meeting: Thursday, January 27, 2011</p>	<p>ARTC Report</p>

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>	
Fireworks notice signs for south Antelope Valley communities. Mr. Grabe to send an email regarding this item to Mr. Hickling.	Community Fireworks Signs
Scheduling for 2011 event – May 21 date The Council prefers that we invite local Antelope Valley representatives, only. Include item in the Newsletter.	Meet the Town Council Breakfast
Nothing new.	Edwards AFB Liaison
Discuss at next meeting.	Water Supply Economic Report
<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>	
The Bylaws cover this concern: Article 10, 1. Council members and committee members shall conduct themselves at all times in accordance with the requirements of the CHARTER. No person who has been convicted of a felony shall be eligible to run for or to continue to hold office as a Town Council Member or as a member of the Election Committee.	Town Council Eligibility
Motion by Mr. Pierce, second by Mrs. Weatherbie to adjourn the meeting. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm. Respectfully submitted, Lori Weatherbie	ADJOURNMENT