



**JUNIPER HILLS TOWN COUNCIL**

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**General Meeting**

**August 5, 2015**

**Minutes**

<p>Called to order by Jan Wise, the <b>General Meeting</b> of the Juniper Hills Town Council was held <b>August 5, 2015 7:07 P.M. at the Juniper Hills Community Center 31401 106<sup>th</sup> St East, Juniper Hills, California 93543</b></p>	<p><b>CALL TO ORDER</b></p>																									
<p>The Pledge of Allegiance by Bill Myers</p>	<p><b>FLAG SALUTE</b></p>																									
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<p>Minutes of June 3, 2015 were approved as published. Motion made by Bud and seconded by Bill.</p>	<p><b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b></p>																									
<p>Treasurer's Report – Balance as of 7-31-15 was \$2,690.52 Bills presented: None Treasurer's report approved.</p>	<p><b>TREASURER</b></p>																									
<p><b>Juniper Hills Community Association</b> (<a href="http://www.juniperhills-ca.org/jhca/index.htm">http://www.juniperhills-ca.org/jhca/index.htm</a>) Report on JHCA Activities and concerns- Viki Kempenaar August 22, 7-10 p.m. – Dessert Under the Stars New sign to replace the current one by the club house will be coming soon. Work day scheduled for Sept. 19, 8 a.m. to noon</p> <p><b>Devil's Punchbowl County Park</b> [ <a href="http://www.devils-punchbowl.com">http://www.devils-punchbowl.com</a> ] August 15 at 9 p.m. -Telescope Program September 26 at 8:00 p.m. - Moonlit Hike Sundays at 1:00 p.m. - San Andreas Fault Tour</p>	<p><b>ITEMS OF INTEREST</b></p>																									
<p><b>Christine Borzaga, Field Deputy for Supervisor Antonovich</b> Norm Hickling has resigned and Christine Borzaga has replaced him. She doesn't plan to attend our meetings, but will provide the specific County persons for the issues we have.</p> <p>Water Adjudication: It has been filed with the court and we are waiting to hear.</p> <p>Town &amp; Country Plan: Planned passed June 16 to go into effect 7-16-15</p> <p>Renewal Energy Ordinance: Passed 7-14-15. The ARTC's input regarding no utility scale wind in LA County Unincorporated area's was added to this ordinance before they passed it. Solar is still part of the plan.</p> <p>Animal Facilities Ordinance: This vote has been postponed until September 30 for more input. Acton, Three Point and Agua Dulce complained and the Supervisors left it open for additional comments.</p> <p>Minimum Wage for the Unincorporated Areas of Los Angeles County was passed.</p>	<p><b>GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES' ANNOUNCEMENTS</b></p>																									

<p><b>Los Angeles Co. Sheriff's Department – Deputy Cronin 661-860-1413 – Not in attendance</b>  General Questions/ Contact, dial 211 – For Emergencies, dial 911. Non-emergency situation that is suspicious, note the details then call the Palmdale Station immediately: 661-272-2400.</p> <p>He did call Jan and updated her on the following:  Pot farm in Juniper Hills is now gone. A Warrant was issued and the Narcotics Deputies went in and removed it.</p>	
<p><b>REPORTS</b></p>	
<p>No speaker this month,</p>	<p><b>Speaker</b></p>
<p>Speaker suggestions: Bob Blount to speak in September to talk about the fire season and the new San Gabriel National Monument. We did receive a newsletter on the National Monument and Jan will put it out on the Community e-blast.  Now that the Town &amp; County Plan passed, there are concerns in the changes in zoning, would it be advisable to have someone to come out and address these issues? Yes. Jan will contact Christine to see when someone would be available to come and speak to us.</p>	<p><b>FUTURE SPEAKERS</b></p>
<p>The YOYO Committee is a standing committee under the JHTC. (Meetings are held on even months.)Next meeting: Thursday, August 6, 2015 at 7 PM. Contact Lori Weatherbie:944-1351 or email <a href="mailto:mikew@qnet.com">mikew@qnet.com</a></p>	<p><b>YOYO Committee</b></p>
<p>The 2015 Winetasting Event  October 24, 4 to 7 p.m. Glasses order and delivered.  The next meeting will be August 29 at 7PM at Lori Weatherbie  Chairperson: Karen Ostler: 944-9844 or <a href="mailto:innerscapers@antelecom.net">innerscapers@antelecom.net</a>  We need to issue a check for \$25 for the door prize.</p>	<p><b>Resource Development Committee</b></p>
<p>Web Site – Mark Benz is our webmaster.  Can we add the JHTC email address to the website as well as the link? We will also add it to our agenda. Mark will add our actual email address to our website.</p>	<p><b>JHTC Website</b></p>
<p>Currently we have 124 email subscribers under our Yahoo system.  Members of our notification team are Jan Wise- JHTC, Mark Benz-JHCA, Lori Weatherbie - YOYO and Viki Kempenaar-backup</p>	<p><b>JHTC Community Notification System</b></p>
<p>Area Rural Town Council May report by Bill Myers.</p> <p>Animal Ordinance: Concerns arose with the Town &amp; Country zoning change. Under the previous zoning, kennels could only be allowed under A-2. The new zoning for the rural areas allows both kennels and boarding facilities. The vote has been postponed to September 30. Should this be under Title 22 or Animal control?</p> <p>The ARTC is still working on the By-Laws and</p> <p>Rim of the Valley National Park: Is another proposal by the Government to make the Santa Monica Mountains, the mountains around the San Fernando Valley and all the way to Acton another National Park.</p> <p>Next meetings: August26, 2015 –Sheila Whitehouse will attend.  <i>JHTC Members rotate attendance at these meetings held the last Wednesday of the month.</i></p>	<p><b>ARTC Report</b></p>
<p><b>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</b></p>	
<p>CA Fire Fee Controversy – No news on the lawsuit. Mark has put a link to the website for this issue on our website. <a href="http://firetaxprotest.org">http://firetaxprotest.org</a>. Could potentially go to a class action suite.</p>	<p><b>CA Fire Fee</b></p>
<p>Call 211 when you see trash flyers along the roads. No new incidences since our last meeting.</p>	<p><b>Illegal Dumping</b></p>

<p>Co-Chairs : Bud Seidel and Brenda Avadian The 2015 Juniper Hills Town Council Candidate Form will be sent out by our community e-blast.</p>	<p><b>Election Committee</b></p>
<p>Need to check and see if the County moved them to the Juniper Hills signs. Jan to send a follow up email to the County Roads Dept.</p>	<p><b>Signs- Home of the Devils Punchbowl</b></p>
<p><b><u>NEW BUSINESS</u></b></p>	
<p>Toward the end of May an individual moved onto vacant property, east of 106<sup>th</sup> between Four Winds Road and Rainbow Acres. Tents, construction material, bed, couches, entertainment centers etc. were moved to the property. The individual has some illegal grading through at least three other parcels without permission or permit. A report was made to Deputy Cronin, Norm Hickling, and the County. The property owner was notified. The property owner was unaware that someone was on his vacant land. The property owner contacted the trespassing party and gave him a time frame to be off the property. It appears the trespasser does own some property on Rainbow Acres and may be relocating there. If that happens, then the process may have to start over if the person does not comply with County zoning.</p> <p>Second squatter complaint: On the west side of 106<sup>th</sup>, near the first turn as you head south from Ft. Tejon. There is a dirt road that connects 106<sup>th</sup> and 96<sup>th</sup> street, about 2/10 of the mile in tents, motorcycles, water tanks and propane tanks were discovered and reported to the County. Zoning Enforcement has been contacted with the APN number and they will look into it.</p>	<p><b>Complaint-Squatters on Vacant Land</b></p>
<p>High Desert Water Summit on August 26 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Jan and Sheila volunteered to attend.</p>	
<p>Meeting adjourned at: 8:21 P.M. Sheila Whitehouse Secretary</p>	<p><b>ADJOURNMENT</b></p>