



JUNIPER HILLS TOWN COUNCIL

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General Meeting
November 6, 2013
MINUTES

<p>Call to order by: Lori Weatherbie The General Meeting of the Juniper Hills Town Council was called to order at 7:02 p.m., November 6, 2013, 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 Lori Weatherbie.</p>	<p>FLAG SALUTE</p>																														
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<p>Minutes for September were approved as corrected. Detail of corrections, Blue Ribbon Committee / Town and County Adopt a Highway- Leader _ Area is <u>between Tumbleweed and Fort Tejon Rd.</u></p> <p>Minutes for October were approved as corrected: Replaced first sentence in Government Representatives Announcements with: <u>Norm Hickling commented as follows:</u>.</p>	<p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</p>																														
<p>Treasurer's Reports for September and October were presented and approved There were no bills submitted for approval nor donations received. Balance is \$2,360.62 of which \$328.36 is for YOYO/Cert.</p>	<p>TREASURER</p>																														
<p>Public Hearing on Proposed OHV Park will be held at the Jackie Robinson Park, 6:30 pm., November 20. Brenda made the point that we should be careful to compare what we are hearing from different County officials verses what is being put in writing.</p> <p>Karen Ostler reported receiving a standard "canned" response to the letter she and a number of community residences had sent to Kathline King regarding why the OHV should not be allowed in the proposed area. She did not feel it was the response that Supervisor Antonovich had requested the County to provide.</p>	<p>COMMUNICATION</p>																														
<p>Juniper Hills Community Association (http://www.juniperhills-ca.org/jhca/index.htm) – December 7- General Meeting- Pot Luck February 8 – Pancake Breakfast</p> <p>Devil's Punchbowl County Park (http://www.devils-punchbowl.com) – November 30 - 8:00 pm -Telescope Program November 16 - 7pm - Moonlit Hike</p>	<p>ITEMS OF INTEREST</p>																														
<p>Norm Hickling, Field Deputy for Supervisor Antonovich was unable to attend this month's meeting.</p> <p>Los Angeles Co. Sheriff's Department – Deputy Andrew Cronin updated us on crime in the Antelope Valley. He also reported on a phone scam that has been going on in our area. This scam is usually directed toward seniors.</p>	<p>GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES' ANNOUNCEMENTS</p>																														

REPORTS	
Report on JHCA Activities and concerns - Mrs. Kempenaar Newsletter	JHCA Liaison Report
Speakers - Steve Fox Lori suggested that we invite Public Works to our February meeting. She will provide the contact information.	FUTURE SPEAKERS
Next meeting: Thursday, December 5 at Weatherbie Home	YOYO Committee
Winetasting Report and 2014 – Those who attended said it was a slightly smaller crowd than last year. All raved about the food and the wines. Anyone who would like to be on the committee next year, contact Karen Ostler. Evaluation by the committee will be on Saturday, November 16, 7:00 pm, at Lori Weatherbie's home.	Resource Development Committee
Web Site Addition of History – 1953 fire Email – Brenda and Jan Wise will take over the e-blast responsibilities at the end of December.	Website and Email List
Brenda – Report on Election – We had two candidates, Sheila Whitehouse and Jan Wise, apply for the positions on the JHTC board. We did not need to hold an election because we had three vacancies and only two candidates. Don Pierce suggested that Bill Myers could be approached to see if he would be interested and could be appointed. Sheila volunteered to contact Bill and see if he would be interested. Norm will be traveling to Washington, DC and will not be able to do the officer installation in December. He has appointed Pat Russell to do the installation.	Election Committee Report
Sheila and Brenda discussed the letter they had received. A number of residences of the Antelope Valley received a letter from Richard Wood regarding a partial settlement for the Small Pumper Class Action suit. He is settling with the City of Lancaster, Palmdale Water District, Phelan Pinon Hills Community Services District and Rosamond Community Services District. Richard Wood will continue to litigate all of the claims against the non-settling defendants. [Note: the JHWG is not part of the JHTC]	JH Water Group Liaison Report
Lori reported on the October 30 Meeting. She met Jim Winburn there who is hosting a web site for all the Town Councils from Phelen to the west side. The website is called, The Civic Bee. Website: www.civicbee.com . Northwest 138 Corridor Improvement Project Comments to District Attorney - HubbartLASafetyTaskForce@da.lacounty.gov – Lori sent an e-blast to the community to make them aware of their options. Renewable Energy - Planning.lacounty.gov/energy – More farms and individuals will be able to have renewal energy sources. Karen Ostler mentioned that for every acre of solar farms there are 6 to 10 houses not being built. Hillside Management - Planning.lacounty.gov/hma Regional Planning Portal - planning.lacounty.gov/RPC Final plans for Town and Country will	ARTC Report

<p>be a year away for approval. Lori gave us each a DC with the Town and Country draft. It will be open for comments and they want to take it to the Board of Supervisors next fall.</p> <p>Sheila will attend the January 29 meeting.</p>	
<p>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</p>	
<p>Status of Board of Supervisors motion on Hauled Water – No update given.</p>	<p>Hauled Water</p>
<p>CA Fire Fee Controversy – Debbie printed the email and flyer she received regarding the need to refile the protest letter for each year you are billed. The IRS ruled that the CA Fire Fee is not a tax. Connie Conway, Assemblywoman, 26th District sent out a post card stating that the State of California has spent \$9.2 million creating the Fire Tax and hiring workers to answer Taxpayers' questions.</p>	<p>CA Fire Fee</p>
<p>Brenda and Debbie – Trip over Alimony Truck Trail They went with Perry (the enforcement officer) and Forest Ranger Blount. They observed that since the area has been closed there has been a lot of devastation by illegal OHV riding.</p> <p>The area is so vast that they cannot adequately enforce the boundaries that currently exist.</p> <p>Meeting – November 20, Jackie Robinson Park, 6:30 pm</p>	<p>Proposed OHV Park</p>
<p>Ms. Cronin reported that she was unable to go on the Washington, DC trip and used the money she had collected to help a needy family</p>	
<p>NEW BUSINESS</p>	
<p>JHTC Community Standards District function was set up to outline the standards for Juniper Hills to be enforced by the respective Los Angeles County governmental departments.</p>	<p>JHTC Responsibility</p>
<p>The Civic Bee - Jim Winburn 436-9696, email address: Editor@civicbee.com Website: www.civicbee.com</p>	<p>Community Online News</p>
<p>Brenda noted that the information in the AV Connection is incorrect. How do we get this corrected? Once the December meeting is over and the new officers are in place, someone needs to contact the publication, the Field Deputy and Antonovich's office, the Civic Bee and the AV Press-- Karen? with the current information. Names, positions, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses.</p>	
<p>Meeting adjourned at: 8:40</p> <p>Sheila Whitehouse- Secretary</p>	<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>