



HIGHGROVE MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
Highgrove Library
530 W. Center Street, Highgrove, CA 92507
Wednesday, January 22nd, 2014
7:00pm
Minutes

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

- 3. Tony Mize – Apartment Complex Update** (Presented early due to scheduling)
They are actively starting the interest list and premarketing to locals. This starts in the next couple of weeks and will be a local number. The project is progressing well, roughly 20% is completed. Tony apologized for the dust due to the wind. They are trying to keep the dust down with water trucks. The apartment opening is contingent on the weather. Could start moving families in as soon as October.

4. Roll Call and Introductions

Kathy Cochran, Mark Visyak, Raina Boal, “Barney” Barnett, Denis Kidd, Don Earp (all present.) Melanie Zimmermann (Absent) Tony Mize, Jason Farin (Supervisor Tavaglione’s Office), Becky Luther, Dana Guyer, Shaina Boal, Captain Jurupa Valley Sheriff Station, Dan Feltenberger, Sheriff Lieutenant Ken Ditton, Janet Aboytes and Heidi Sullivan

5. Approval of Agenda & Minutes for July 2013

Mark Visyak, 1st motion, Denis Kidd 2nd to approve the minutes.

6. New Business:

- Highgrove Happenings Newspaper: Printer who prints newspapers went out of business but they found another printer and they are asking for the community’s help to help support the paper. Considered cutting out home delivery and do drop off points but home delivery will continue.
- Highgrove Sheriff Cost: Captain Dan Feltenberger, spoke on the Sheriff Deputy. Cost of sheriff deputy went up 4.9% but no provision was made for cost of living increases in original agreement. Money is still there and hasn’t been spent. As a community we can vote to increase the assessment. Two

options: 1. Leave it there or 2. Use it to hire a deputy Sheriff. Highgrove has 24/7 Sheriff coverage, but our present Deputy covers, Home Gardens, and Coronita and can be called out for backup. Unsure of average response times. 1 deputy per 1,000 people is the goal and Boards of Supervisors have given the OK to start bumping up the numbers so the Sheriff dept. is hiring more people. Marijuana Dispensary in Highgrove was discussed and is complicated. Some cities have filed lawsuits against the dispensaries. Becky Luther: "We need a task force within our group to put on the ballot to get another Sheriff's Deputy. We could hire one for special days as well".

Sheriff Report: Year End Stats: 1 homicide, no rapes, 8 robberies, 31 aggravated assaults, pro crimes 39, auto theft 22, larceny theft 66, arson 1, total 182 reported in 2012, 168 reported in 2013.

- Highgrove Day: Slated for May 10th, 2014. Highgrove Day Funds Account is (\$5,785.08) was put in R. A. Barnett's name last May. Same amount is still available for 2014. Beach theme suggested. Need a chair for Highgrove Day. Planning meeting at Library on Wednesday, Feb 5, 2014 at 6:30pm.
- Bixby Land Company: "Barney" wrote a letter about the Bixby Land Company. All are in agreement that it is not a proper place to have warehouses and letter requested changing the zoning to residential on south side of Spring (28 acres) and north side of Spring St. (40 acres). If we could get the 68 acres changed to residential the General Plan would have to be changed.
- Washburn property on north side of Center St. has 19 acres of vacant land, for possible retail shopping center.

7. Board Member Updates:

- Entire 7 member Highgrove MAC was reappointed, and all terms will end June 2014.
- Highgrove Clean-up Day - Saturday January 25th at Highgrove Elementary School from 8am-12pm.
- Walk on Blue Mountain - Saturday March 8th, 2014.
- Received Street Sweeper complaints indicating they leave a mess and do not clean all the streets.

8. Public Comments/Board Member Reports

- Jason provided an update on the following:
 - 91 HOV Project through Corona. Tree clearing, utility, and railroad relocation. Scheduled for completion in 2017.
 - Indio Fair: DateFest.org
 - Jurupa Valley filed for intention to disincorporate.

- Denis gave report on Blue Mountain Hike in March. Friends of Blue Mountain are trying to raise money to start Blue Mountain Park. Need to raise \$19,000.
- Raina: Would like to know when they are going to put in stepping-stones. Dana stated would have to “re-landscape.” Jason will contact EDA about redoing the landscaping.
- Greg, Fire Captain: Call volume is going up. It has been declared a drought.

9. Items for Future Agenda

- The General Plan Update
- Tony Mize Update
- Highgrove Day Update

10. Announcements:

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, Feb 26th, 2014 at 7pm

11. Adjournment:

21:09

***Further questions or comments please contact: Jason Farin, Legislative Assistant 951.955.1020. Agendas may be found online the Monday prior to our meeting at the following address: www.rivcodistrict2.org