San Pasqual Lake Hodges Planning Group Minutes January 6, 2011

Meeting called to order 7:00 PM by Frank Konyn

Members present: Kody Songer, Bert Verger, Ernie Klemm, , Frank Konyn, Terry Parrish, Jerry Kiley, Robert McClure, Matt Witman, Karen Dowle, John Kowalski, Darlene Hansen, Marc Lindshield, Charlie Jancic, Ben Hilibrecht

Members Absent: Joe Ferguson, Doug Read

Guests: Dave Martens, John Ly, Larry Abutin, Arcelia Quintero, Maria Diaz, Martin Quintero, Paulina Arce, Gerardo Becerra

Public Comments

Marc Lindshield reported that Charles Jacobs had passed on approximately four years ago. His memory was enjoyed by all.

Review and approval of minutes

There was discussion on whether or not absent members should be recorded as "excused" and "unexcused," or just "absent." After review of the bylaws, absent members will be listed as "absent." A motion to approve the October 7 minutes was made by Ben Hillebrecht, and a second by Terry Parrish, passed unanimously

San Diego Police Report

No representatives present from SD Police.

Old Business

Discussion on Sikes Adobe Farmers Market. It appears that the types of vendors fit a very broad definition of what would typically be at a Farmers Market, and the emphasis on arts and crafts is exceeding the emphasis on agriculture.

Matt Witman reported that the San Pasqual Academy was going forward with their proposed football field, and that they had increased the footprint of the project and were working on drainage issues. Additionally, rumor has it that the Bandy Canyon Ranch is proposing to take the majority of the flat land near Bandy Canyon Rd, and excavate it to water table level. This would be to create a wetland habitat that could be offered for mitigation land. The San Pasqual Land Use Task Force will meet next Wednesday at 9:00 am.

New Business

Larry Abutin from the City of San Diego Public Utilities Department gave a presentation on the ground water plans for five major underground basins in San Diego including the San Pasqual Basin, the San Diego River Valley Basin, the Tijuana Basin, the San Diego Formation, and the Mission Valley Formation. He also discussed their (City of San Diego) relationship with the US Geological Survey, and various ongoing studies. The purpose of this is to increase the storage capacity of water for the citizens of San Diego, and to reduce our dependence on the Colorado River. The concept of injection wells and pumping stations bringing water to other areas in San Diego is possibly 15 to 20 years off. In regards to the San Pasqual Groundwater Plan, the State of the Basin Report should be available in mid February. Frank Konyn made some announcements in regards to a Vernal Pool Conservation Planning Meeting, Cal Trans grant cycle, and Jan 22 being a free oil dump day in the City of San Diego.

City Staff Reports

John Ly encouraged residents to report potholes. Councilman DeMaio will be giving a State of the District report in February. The funds earmarked for San Pasqual Valleyn are in a Development Impact Fee Fund. There is approximately \$43,000 and this money can only be used for something in our community plan.

Dave Martens reports that the Evergreen Nursery is still in the progress of vacating their sublease, and that Big Trees Nursery will be taking that area over within modified boundaries. Progress is slowly moving forward on the Pinery Tree Farm lease. The lease of Verger Dairy will be up on February 1st this year, and the Dowle family will be awarded a right of entry permit to farm until a request for proposal can be put forth. Additionally questions were asked if the River Park would be cleaning up their restoration projects that had washed away with the recent storms. Although the areas referred to were specifically in the boundaries of the City of San Diego, and the Board recognizes that the City of San Diego cut their funding to the River Park; the Board also realizes that these projects were funded by grants, and expects that there is grant money to continue the cleanup and maintenance of these projects.

The next meeting will be possibly in February, and if not, definitely in March for the Annual Meeting. Jerry Kiley volunteered to begin working on the nominations for Board seats.

A motion to adjourn by Karen Dowle, seconded by Ben Hillebrecht, passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.

Public Comment

Additional public comment was added at this time. Arcelia Quintero spoke of disputes in regards to the length of stay that residents of the former Verger Dairy would have. The residents feel that they have received conflicting messages as to how long they have left to remain in their respective locations. Additionally it was mentioned that someone had already taken the liberty of relocating the mobile home of Paulina Arce. The Board sympathizes with every resident in tough economic times and facing relocation, but also feels that this is a civil issue best handled by the resident's involved and the Verger family who originally subleased them the dwellings.

Bert Verger made a push for people to join the San Pasqual Battlefield Volunteer Association.

Submitted Karen Dowle