

BERMUDA DUNES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CREATED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FEBRUARY 26, 1991 (RESOLUTION 91-129)

MINUTES OF MEETING OF: MAY 14, 2009

James Monroe Elementary School, 42-100 Yucca Lane, Bermuda Dunes, CA

April Young Acker, Reporting

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call: All members present - Cheryl Isen, Jerry Lugo, Lee Miller, April Young Acker
4. Minutes from previous month: Approved
5. Public Comments:
 - Cheryl Isen- how airport makes \$\$? How pay taxes to county? Leticia to invite.
6. Staff Reports:
 - A. Supervisor Roy Wilson's office (Leticia DeLara) reported: Mo Salama to come next month and do full presentation – waiting for drawings. Hoping he will have some response from City of La Quinta. Ron Raul- got presentation of conceptual drawing – contacted all neighbors – 20 out of 21 endorsed plan. Then plans changed. 11 out of 21 homes now don't have parking in front. 4 plans in works again.
 - B. Sheriff's Report: Sheriff Andy Gerraud reported. Review April monthly report for more information. On Spalding Dr. – lets children drive up and down street. House next to 79-260 Spalding Dr.
 - C. Code Enforcement: Officer Brenda Hannah reported. Review April monthly report for more information. 226 cases open. Overlay begins May 28th. Will begin giving flyers and warnings. 25 properties complied this month. Riverside County Web Site showcases Bermuda Dunes Overlay information. Dispose of batteries, paint in Palm Springs, or Riverside County Environmental Health. Water-based paint – open lid and let it dry – can throw in trash.
 - D. Planning Department: Dave Mares reported. Did drive-along with Bob Lyman, Mo Salama, Leticia, Lee Miller, others. Looked at properties representing the community. Discussed impact of Airport. Toured Bermuda Dunes Country Club. Looked at homes on Fred Waring Dr. and widening issues. Cheryl unhappy about mixing streets of homes, commercial, etc. Drop home values, more traffic with no stoplight. What is going on at airport that is changing all these properties? Airport Land Use Commission makes decisions – no governmental organization willing to take risk to override ALUC. Only way to resolve is to find way to get through to ALUC that their ruling/thinking needs to be reviewed. On Ave. 42 – starting construction – can we see plans? Don't remember seeing plans. Leticia to ask Dave Mares to look into.

- E. EDA: Jim Ayers reported. Regency Pacific to build public safety building -2,300 sq. ft. Solar panels, glass blocks. Mobilization to begin on May 20, construction to begin May 26 – target to finish by Christmas Eve. Drought tolerant landscaping.
 - F. EDA: Joaquin Tijuerina reported: Landscaping and maintenance election results -3900 ballots sent out, more than 1,000 received. Did not pass. Will not have money to do maintenance on medians if moving forward with construction. Current improvements will be taken care of.
7. New Business:
- A. Highway Patrol Officer Craig Rentle – 16 traffic collisions this year; 44 traffic complaints last year; citations in unincorporated area last year – more than 1,000. No fatalities since 2007. Regarding golf cart laws – designed to drive on golf course, OK in Bermuda Dunes Country Club, out on regular street must have drivers license and must be on 25 hr mile roadway or less. Have to have signals, lights, etc. Doesn't need registration. Off-road vehicles are responsibility of sheriff's department. 772-8900 (dispatch); 772-8911 (business office).
 - B. Community concerns of railroad and bordering trees: Indio Code Enforcement would handle railroad and bordering trees – they would then contact railroad: Cheryl Isen's concern is vagrancy among the trees. Leticia to talk to Dave Lawless about it.
 - C. Adhoc steering committee – Ron Raul presented. Asking to fall under umbrella of community council. Cheryl Isen offered to be on committee. If it goes under umbrella of council, all published info must be met with Supervisor's approval before publication. Everything we do goes under auspices of County Board of Supervisors. Lee Miller thinks it works better as a citizen's committee separate from community council. Jerry made motion and then withdrew. Need invitation to participate.
Lee motions - Council has been invited to participate in citizen's committee motion is 1 or 2 members of council be represented – council will select 1 or 2 council representatives. Unanimous vote – 4-0. Cheryl Isen to participate in committee.
 - D. Guide to Understanding Bermuda Dunes Community – Cheryl Isen did drive-along with code enforcement, Lee Miller, Leticia DeLara, Dave Mares – to expose them to differing areas of community.
 - E. Art in the Dunes festival – Donna Nelson reported. Community awareness of Bermuda Dunes. Looking for artists, craft people; anyone in community wanting to participate. Will have music, etc. Have marketing/advertising committee. Trying to bring 2,000-3,000 people. Will be selling advertising in 4-color handout. Need \$6,000 to make it happen. Anticipating at least 75 vendors. Held at Murphs Restaurant.
8. Old Business: None
9. Council Members Reports and Correspondence: Council member opening – see Leticia if interested.
10. Agenda Items for next Council Meeting: Fred Waring Drive
11. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING IS JUNE 11, 2009

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