

**SKY VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Sky Valley Chamber and Community Center
June 09, 2009**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chairperson Robert Reeves called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by John Flanders.
3. **ROLL CALL:** Robert Reeves, Barbara Hall, John Flanders and Julie Casserly. Stephanie Greene excused absence. Election of officers July 2009 – June 2010: **Chair John Flanders Casserly/Hall Vice Chair Julie Casserly Reeves/Flanders Secretary Stephanie Greene Hall/Casserly approved**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**
5. **MINUTES:** From April 14, 2009. With no corrections, a motion was made to **approve the minutes. Hall/Casserly**
6. **STAFF REPORTS:**
 - A. **Lynda Gregory**
 - a. Thanked current Chair Robert Reeves for his service and announced the opening on council and encouraged attendees to apply for council seats.
 - b. Update on 18th Avenue survey update: 70% of CSA 104 easements and right of ways (ROW) complete and 30% undocumented properties will be contacted by Chad Wilshire of Economic Development Agency or perhaps by going through Bureau of Land Management land patents in Sacramento as those should have 33 foot easements. Survey should appear in front of the Board of Supervisors as early as September 2009. Fourth District: Dillon Road to Long Canyon Road and Fifth District: Palm Drive to Long Canyon Road.
 - B. **Sheriff's Department:** Lori Hardcastle reports 66-calls for service in Sky Valley and 9-written reports from those calls. Lori introduced K-9 officer Jude also.
 - C. **California Highway Patrol:** Officer Craig Rental brought several handouts and spoke on CHP program now offered to private party's Hesitate Designate and the CHP.
 - a. Reporting calls for 2009 down over 2008. On Dillon Road 18 collisions and 2008/45. Thousand Palms Canyon Road 2009/01 and 2008/11
 - b. Traffic Complaints which consist of speeding and abandon vehicles also down 12/2009, 2008/18 and 2007/30.
 - D. **Fire Department:** Not in attendance due to vegetation fire in Desert Edge.
 - E. **No other County/State agency in attendance.**
 - F. **County Service Area 104** next quarterly meeting July 18, 2009 at 9 AM
7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
 - a. **Citizens on Patrol:** John reiterated that this program needs more volunteer drivers as many seasonal volunteers have also left for the year.
 - b. **Sky Valley Emergency Team (SVET):** Barbara brought flyers of invitation for date and time of SVET meetings and encouraged attendees to have a family plan and practice that plan. Also, a short report on practice drill of June 06, 2009 and thanks to Captain Dave Petrinovich for attending on his day off from station #56.
8. **Old Business – none**

9. New Business

- a. **Flashbyte Internet Service comments** from residents on service and a copy of written complaint to Flash Byte, from a resident. Much discussion on the lack of regulations of this industry and good service to Sky Valley in general of any internet providers. In conclusion it was determined that due diligence in checking out companies through the assorted Better Business Bureaus and word of mouth should be done before monies are exchanged.
- b. **Motion** to go dark for July/August *Flanders/Hall*

10. Council members Correspondence and reports

- a. Robert read a copy of a letter from Coachella Valley Conservation Commission written to COP members Steve West, John Flanders and Cecile Griffin thanking them for reporting a recent road graded without permit on conservation lands.

11. Public Comments

- a. Roy Klopfenstein mentioned the County harassment of lady on north side of Dillon at Thousand Palms Canyon Road and Lynda mentioned that is a Health and Safety issue not harassment.
- b. Neil asked about the 2-trailers and truck that appear to be camping against hills in 74000 block of Dillon Road. This has also been reported to public safety agencies as that is private land and there is no permission to camp on the land.

12. **There are no agenda items** for September08, 2009 at this time.

13. **Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM** Flanders/Casserly

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Hall