

Ocotillo Community Park
266 Imperial Hwy.
Ocotillo, CA 92259
Monday, September 9, 2024
6:00 P.M.



Committee Members:
Darren A. Apedaile, Chair
Vacant, Vice Chair
Ava M. Mead, Secretary
Frank Vrettas
Patricia Thompson

September 9, 2024, (Special Meeting) meeting minutes

Ocotillo Area Community Advisory Committee

Meeting called order at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call: Darren Appendale, Frank Vrettas, and Patricia Thompson were present. Quorum is met.

Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by Darren Appendale

Meeting open for public comment: 3 minutes per speaker

Jim Clevenger

- Voiced opinion about having been harassed by the county for a vehicle on his property that he paid a non-op fee for.
- Says neighbors need to stay out of other people's business.
- He also suggested having the county place speed bumps along a section of Imperial Hwy to prevent speeders, especially during desert season.
- Questioned about there being little to no progress on bridge on Evans Hughes
- Stated trucks should not be routed to Ocotillo during I-8 shutdowns.
- Need to clean up around fire hydrants and place blue reflector tape around them to mark them for easy identification.

Approval of the order of the agenda.

Patricia motioned, Frank 2nd, vote unanimous.

Approval of the June 2, 2024, meeting minutes.

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No minutes to approve at this meeting.

Discussion and Action items

John Gay said they had wrapped one pile on the Coyote Wash Bridge on Evans Hughes and that it was very successful. The proposal from the Arizona company was approximately \$850,000.00. He will be waiting until the end of September 2024, to see what his yearly fund balance is before deciding on how to proceed from here. His next steps are to hopefully be able to avoid any environmental agencies involvement in the project, to see if it is possible to just do the piles currently. He stated he would like to have more information available for the next meeting.

John Gay also stated that he would investigate placing truck weight limits on Bridge once its finished.

Darren thanked John Gay for the traffic signs that had been placed in Nomirage.

Informational Items

a. Announcement of the continual vacancy on the Ocotillo Community Area Advisory Committee: Blanca, will send notice of vacancy position to be posted.

b. Luis Plancarte, stated that Patent Energy is due to be here to work on the fans and to discuss future projects for the community. He is hoping to have them here at our next meeting.

Member reports

No reports at this meeting.

Next Meeting Date: October 7, 2024

Meeting adjourned at 6:32pm

Recorded and submitted by: Patricia Thompson, acting Secretary.

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