

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

December 6, 2022

Wrightwood Community Building

1275 State Highway 2

Wrightwood, CA

MINUTES

Board Members:

Natalie Lopiccolo, President
Chuck Franklin, Vice President
Sadie Albers, Member
Alexis Claiborne, Member
Kristy Gerardo, Member

Staff Present:

Steven Kennedy, Attorney
Tamara Keen, General Manager
Angela Rovida, Administrative Assistant

Call to Order: President Lopiccolo called the Meeting to order at 5:30pm

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance:** Lora Steinmann led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Roll Call:** President Lopiccolo, Director Franklin and Director Albers are present. Director Claiborne and Director Gerardo are present but waiting to take their Oaths of Office.
- 3. Administration of Oaths of Office to Director Claiborne and Director Gerardo:** Director Claiborne and Director Gerardo were sworn into their Board Positions by General Manager Keen.
- 4. Agenda Approval:** Director Franklin motioned to approve the agenda with Director Albers seconding the motion. Motion carries.
- 5. Public Comment:** Lora Steinmann introduced her neighbors to speak about their personal experience with a mountain lion. Kevin and Anna Belland shared the story of their encounter with a mountain lion at their residence on November 27th, 2022, which resulted in their dog being injured. They contacted Fish and Wildlife. They expressed their desire for this information to be shared with the greater community. Lora Steinmann expressed her concern with the mountain lion having been involved in several incidents within recent weeks. She shared her thoughts on personal safety and asked that the WCSD investigate getting the proper agencies to attend to the mountain lion situation. Patricia Gonzalez presented her organization Full Circle and Beyond Prepared, which provides whole person health and emergency preparedness. Vicky Rinek shared her experience with the Phelan public forum that took place a few years ago to address mountain lion attacks on horses. She suggested the WCSD host a similar educational event.
- 6. Agency Reports:** Sherriff Sergeant Mark Rios, Phelan Station Commander, reported 112 total service calls for the month of September. Of those calls 14 reports were generated by deputies which led to only one arrest. For the month of October, there were 108 service calls,

members and should go through the General Manager. Moving forward all communications will go through General Manager Keen.

12. Proposition 68 Mandatory Signage for Hollis Stewart Park Renovations Project: A permanent sign stating grant funds for the park were supplied by Prop 68 is required as a condition of grant funding. Two bids for signage were presented: Innovative Playgrounds and local shop Metal Works. After discussion of options Director Albers motioned to choose Metal Works for signage with Director Gerardo seconding. All in favor, motion passes.

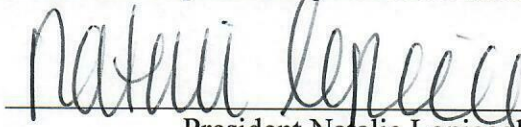
13. Bridge Loan Options for Hollis Stewart Park Renovations: Attempts to secure a loan through DCB is taking longer than expected due to required documentation. CSDA has offered a short-term loan option with special modification to repayment options, about \$8,000 of interest would accrue. Early disbursement of the grant funds has been requested to avoid the need for a loan option, an answer for that request has not yet been given. Director Albers offered to connect General Manager Keen with a personal contact at a local credit union. After discussion, it was determined that General Manager Keen would continue to pursue the DCB option and keep the board informed of any updates.

14. Directors Comments: President Lopiccolo thanked the new board members and community members for their participation. She further thanked the remaining board members and CSD staff. She also mentioned her desire to see informational flyers about the mountain lion distributed around town to reach residents who are not on Facebook. Vice President Franklin acknowledged General Manager Keen and several other residents and neighbors for their help with various personal tasks. He thanked Ron and Sue Parody for their work with the Village Trail and the WWPOA. Director Albers welcomed the new board members and thanked everyone. Director Claiborne thanked everyone for a warm welcome and expressed her excitement for what's to come. Director Gerardo thanked everyone for attending and looks forward to serving. She gave a special thank you to her husband and son for their support.

15. Future Board Meeting: Tuesday January 3, 2023

16. Adjournment: President Lopiccolo adjourned the meeting at 6:37pm

Minutes approved:



President Natalie Lopiccolo

Date

January 6th, 2023