

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

March 13, 2023

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 5:30 pm

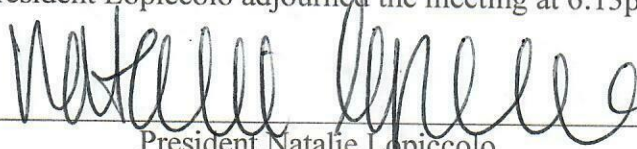
- 1. Pledge of Allegiance:** Vicky Rinek led the Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call:** Director Claiborne was absent.
- 3. Agenda Approval:** Vice President Franklin motioned to approve the agenda with Director Albers seconding the motion. All in favor, motion carries.
- 4. Public Comment:** Pam Wright thanked General Manager Keen and Director Albers for their efforts in coordinating services and aid during the blizzard. She also thanked President Lopiccolo for her help in acquiring emergency supply donations for the community.
- 5. Agency Reports:** CJ Porter, from Supervisor Cook's office, reported that the snowpack was cut in half because of the rain. The CPOD is now located at the library. The county is offering a \$500 reimbursement for snow removal, anyone who paid a private contractor to remove snow from their property can apply. More information can be found at snowinfo.sbcounty.gov/reimbursement-program. Questions can be directed to the office at (760) 995-8100. The Forest Service does not plan to plow any forest service roads and has not officially closed any roads, but current snow levels have essentially closed many access routes. Caltrans has not provided an opening date for Hwy 2 Westbound; it is expected to be closed for the duration of winter and possibly into early summer. He also reported that all county-maintained roads in Wrightwood have been plowed to pavement with a minimum of one lane. Most primary roads that run off Hwy 2 are plowed with two lanes open, and Caltrans is currently working on secondary roads. Two snow blowers were brought in for snow removal, but one is down for maintenance, it is expected to be back in operation tomorrow. Lone Pine Canyon Road is open as of today.

6. **Consent Calendar:** Vice President Franklin motioned to approve February 7, 2023, Regular Board Meeting Minutes with President Lopiccolo seconding. All in favor, motion passes.
7. **General Manager Report:** General Manager Keen reported on her work coordinating with the county to set up the county point of distribution that is offering supplies and food to residents as well as addressing rescue plow issues. She attended a meeting with Supervisor Cook to discuss concerns and plans for the residents. She thanked Director Albers for her help with coordinating efforts. She thanked all San Bernardino County Agencies and employees that were involved in helping the town. She also thanked the local fire station, Wrightwood CERT, Snowline School District, CR&R, the Serrano Diamondback Junior Firefighters and Katie Prescott for organizing perishable goods donations. Lastly, she expressed her gratitude and pride for the way in which the Village of Wrightwood came together in a time of crisis. The Roundtable Meeting and Adult Softball opening day has been postponed due to weather. The softball team captain's meeting will still be held as scheduled on Wednesday March 15th at 6pm.
8. **February 2023 Financials:** Director Albers motioned to approve with Vice President Franklin seconding. All in favor, motion carries.
9. **Hollis Stewart Park Renovations Project Status Update:** 90% of grant funds were received and have been placed in an interest-bearing account at DCB. The remaining ten percent will be granted upon the park's completion. There are two issues causing a delay in the park opening, damaged equipment and woodchips. During the installation of the rock-climbing equipment, a strap broke and the equipment was damaged. It was determined that a replacement was necessary, delivery of the new equipment is expected by the end of March. More wood chips are needed for the park and will arrive the same day as the replacement equipment. Installation of equipment and wood chips is expected to take one day to complete.
10. **Clay for Wrightwood Elementary Baseball Field:** Vice President Franklin motions to approve covering the partial cost of clay for the Wrightwood Elementary school baseball field. Director Albers seconded. All in favor, motion carries.
11. **Annual Solid Waste Management Disposal Facility Fee: Scheduling Public Hearing on Proposed Resolution No. 2023-01 and 2023-02:** The WCSD is required to submit resolutions for solid waste disposal management fees regarding dump cards, to the county every year by August 10th. The WCSD will need to schedule a public hearing and publish a notice of the public hearing in the newspaper. The public hearing will be scheduled for the next board meeting on April 4th, 2023.
12. **Future Board Meeting:** April 4th, 2023 at 5:30pm
13. **Directors Comments:** President Lopiccolo thanked the community, the Board and staff for their cooperation and coming together to help each other during the storm. Director Albers thanked all the agencies that supported Wrightwood during the storm. She also thanked

General Manager Keen and the elected officials who came together to help the community. Vice President Franklin thanked General Manager Keen, Directors Albers, and President Lopiccolo for their work in organizing help and services during the storm. He personally thanked the General Manager for her work on the park grant.

14. Adjournment: President Lopiccolo adjourned the meeting at 6:13pm

Minutes approved:



President Natalie Lopiccolo

Date

4/4/2023