

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

July 2, 2024

Wrightwood Community Building
1275 State Highway 2
Wrightwood, CA

MINUTES

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

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

Call to Order: Vice President Gerardo called the meeting to order at 5:45pm

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance:** Wendy Schwab led the Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call:** President Albers and Director Lopiccolo are absent, and Counsel Kennedy is present via phone.
- 3. Agenda Approval:** Director Claiborne motioned to approve the agenda with Director Franklin seconding the motion. All in favor, motion carries.
- 4. Public Comment:** Patricia Gonzales with Full Circle and Beyond Prepared, a health and safety non-profit, will be holding various health and safety classes tomorrow July 3rd that are available on ZOOM. Classes can be found on eventbrite.com. The classes will also be held locally at the Methodist Church beginning July 17th.
- 5. Agency Reports:** Seargeant Mark Rios, Phelan Station Commander, reported 93 total calls that generated 9 reports for the month of June. The highest frequency of calls were information calls, follow ups, audible alarms, wireless 911 calls and security checks. CJ Porter, Supervisor Cook's office, reported the new county budget includes a \$300,000 allocation for a snowcat vehicle for the Victor Valley station. Funding was also allocated for repairs at the Wrightwood Fire Station and \$360,000 for the County's Chamber Tourism Incentive Program that supports Chambers in unincorporated areas. Lastly, \$324,500 were allocated to the WCSD for public restroom improvements.
- 6. Consent Calendar:** Director Claiborne motioned to approve consent calendars for June 4th, June 18th, and June 25th, with Director Franklin seconding the motion. All in favor, motion carries.
- 7. General Managers Report:** The WCSD received a grant from SB County in the amount of \$324,500 for renovations to the outdoor bathrooms and septic system. The WCSD agreed to

make a matching contribution of 25% equaling \$81,125. This brings the total available funds to \$405,625. The scope of work is currently being drafted and will be presented to the Board soon. The annual Pine Needle drop-off held on June 1st generated 96 tons of recyclable green waste. A total of 2,697 dump cards were mailed to property owners last week. Residents who have not received their dump card are advised to contact the WCSO office at (760) 249-3205. Summer softball season is underway with 12 teams registered. Summer dance classes, both kids and adults, have already begun and a new class 'Mommy and Me' will begin on July 14th. This month's senior lunch will be an Independence Day theme. Vicky Rinek and other volunteers organize and run the senior lunch program. The AC100 will be returning to Wrightwood the first weekend of August.

8. **May 2024 Financials:** Director Claiborne motioned to approve May Financials with Director Franklin seconding the motion. All in favor, motion carries.
9. **Public Hearing: Proposed FY 2024/25 Annual Budget:** Opened public hearing at 5:55pm. Closed public hearing at 5:56pm.
10. **FY 2024/25 Annual Budget:** Director Claiborne motioned to approve the FY 2024/25 Annual Budget with Director Franklin seconding the motion. All in favor, motion carries.
11. **Reserve for Operations:** Director Franklin motioned to approve the transfer of \$15,000 from the checking account to the reserve account with the stipulation to add the review of the reserve resolution to next month's agenda. Director Claiborne seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carries.
12. **Chamber of Commerce Sponsorship:** Vice President Gerardo motioned to approve the sponsorship of \$1,500 with Director Claiborne seconding the motion. All in favor, motion carries.
13. **Replacement of Bricks in Veterans Memorial Park:** Director Claiborne motioned to approve an amount not to exceed \$16,100 for replacement cost of damaged bricks with Director Franklin seconding the motion. All in favor, motion carries.
14. **Remote Meetings:** The Board directed Counsel Kennedy to present information for remote meetings at next month's meeting.
15. **Cameras for Hollis Stewart Park:** Director Claiborne motioned to approve the cost of additional security cameras for Hollis Stewart Park with Vice President Gerardo seconding the motion. All in favor, motion carries.
16. **Trash/Recycle Cans for Hollis Stewart Park:** Tabled to next month's meeting.
17. **2024 Awarded Variances:** No reportable action.
18. **Recess to Closed Session:** 7:05pm
19. **Return from Closed Session:** 7:24pm. No reportable action.

20. Director's Comments: Director Claiborne thanked fellow Board members for their attendance and expressed her appreciation for the staff and public. Vice President Gerardo thanked everyone for their grace and patience as she ran her first Board meeting.

21. Future Board Meeting: Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at 5:30pm.

22. Adjournment: Vice President Gerardo adjourned the meeting at 7:25pm

Minutes Approved: Sadie Albers Date: 8/6/24
President Albers