MORONGO VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

11207 OCOTILLO STREET. MORONGO VALLEY, CA 92256

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

6:00 p.m. Regular Business **November 16, 2022**

Covington Park – MPR
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Morongo Valley, CA 92256
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A. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Board Meeting of November 16, 2022, was called to order at 6:04 PM

B. ROLL CALL

- 1. Christina Gorke, President, Present
- 2. Shawna Johnson, Vice President, Absent
- 3. Kristina Brook, Director, Absent
- 4. Johnny Tolbert, Director, Present
- 5. Jennifer Henning, Director, Present

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Board of Directors now takes time to consider your comments on items which are on the agenda. The President will recognize you at the appropriate time to assist in the orderly and timely conduct of the meeting. When called upon to speak, please state your name and residence. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes or less. If you wish to comment on an agenda item or non-agenda items during Public Comment, fill out the form on our website, or raise your hand. There will also be a one (1) minute Public Comment period before each agenda item.

No public comments during this time.

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Board generally considers items in the order listed on the agenda. However, items may be considered in any order as established by the direction of the Board. Under certain circumstances, new agenda items may be added by a two-thirds vote of the Board. [Gov. Code Sec. 54954.2(b)(2)]

1. Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of November 16, 2022

It was mentioned to add the yearly Chuck Osborne award to the New Business section of the agenda.

MOTION: President Gorke motioned approve the Agenda of the Regular Board Meeting of November 16, 2022, with the amendments.

SECOND: Director Henning seconds **RESULT**: Motion passes with a 3/0 vote

F. AGENCY REPORTS

1. Sheriff's Report – San Bernardino County Sheriff's Representative

Sherriff Scalise reported that the end of the year statistics for the county are down 300 calls for service from last year, the work is still there the calls are just not coming in. Over the summer the Sheriff's department was working a large marijuana campaign that has ended. The operation went from 4 teams down to 2 teams, San Bernardino County Sheriffs are still operational in the area but not as often because the illegal marijuana grows that were identified are no longer there. However, Sheriff Dicus has reallocated those deputies from the marijuana team to Operation Dust Devil which is an off-road enforcement team that is scheduled for 4 ½ months beginning on December 17. Operation Dust Devil is to be throughout the county and includes the Inland Empire with 7 deputies and 1 sergeant working Friday through Sunday with varying days of the week and all holidays. The Sheriff's department tries to provide the public with education regarding off-road vehicle operations, they are moving past that into citations. Received calls for service are often a 30 – 45-minute wait for a deputy response, have had no priority 1 calls registered for this area.

2. General Manager / Fire Chief Report – James Brakebill

Chief Brakebill reported that during the past 30 days they have received: 41 emergency service calls, 28 EMS, 1 hazardous condition, no fire, and 7 public service calls. Year-to-date: 466 calls for service, 324 EMS calls, with 428 hours of training in the brush patrol. The Operation Gobble list is almost full, the Morongo Valley CSD will be giving turkeys out on November 17, 2022, at the Fire Station.

3. Cash / Checks Disbursements & Credit Card Purchases for October – Director Tolbert Director Tolbert reported for October, the CSD spent \$78,740.05. Bills outside of our normal bills were Smith Marion & Co. for \$4,280.00, H&S Mobile fire equipment \$781.99. Meaning

normal spending was \$73,678.06 as of October 31. The Morongo Valley CSD had \$481,167.10 in reserves and used 7 accounts to hold our reserves, totaling \$511,177.89.

G. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the consent calendar are routine matters or formal documents covering previous District Board instruction. Items may be acted on by one motion of the Board unless a Board Member requests a separate discussion and/or action on an item.

1. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 19, 2022.

MOTION: President Gorke motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

of October 19, 2022, as presented **SECOND:** Director Tolbert Seconded **RESULT:** Motion passes with a 3/0 vote

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. RESOLUTION 22-15 AB 361 RECERTIFICATION

The board of directors discussed and approved Resolution 22-14 recertifying remote Board meetings under AB361.

MOTION: President Gorke motioned to approve Resolution 22-14 AB 361

Recertification.

SECOND: Director Tolbert seconds. **RESULT:** Motion passes with a 3/0 vote.

2. SMITH MARION & CO AUDIT FINAL

The Board of Directors reviewed and discussed the final audit from Smith Marion & CO.

MOTION: Director Tolbert Motions to approve final audit to be posted.

SECOND: President Gorke seconds **RESULT:** Motion passes with a 3/0 vote

3. KITCHEN IMPROVEMENT AND STATUS UPDATE

Captain McEachen reported that Desert Fire was to give a quote on the kitchen hood and a recertification fee. Captain McEachen plans to review and rewrite the application for the public to use the newly improved kitchen. Floor plan and layout need to be submitted to San Bernardino County Health Department. The kitchen will be cleaned and cleared of any personal items this coming weekend. The old cabinets will be replaced with restaurant quality cabinets. Currently looking for a fly fan for the door they are estimated between \$250-\$350. Aiming to open January or February assuming the kitchen passes the inspections.

4. PARK FEE SCHEDULE

After some discussion, the board of directors agreed to table this item until the next board meeting when newly voted in members are official.

5. TREE TRIMMING SERVICES

Waiting for West Coast Arborist to provide a bid for ongoing tree maintenance. Director Tolbert feels the trees by play area in the park are a hazard. There was discussion about a risk assessor coming out and doing an assessment of the area, meanwhile putting signage along the hazardous areas and posts on Facebook. After further discussion Directors decided to table this item to next meeting.

6. MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL PERSONAL TRUCK USAGE

After some discussion the Board of Directors decided to explore more options for a new vehicle for the Morongo Valley CSD maintenance staff and asked Chief Brakebill to provide a report at the next meeting.

7. CHUCK OSBORNE AWARD

It was discussed that the Board of Directors are to define the criteria and publish it. Director Tolbert is to write it up the award criteria and bring back to the Board in January.

K. INDIVIDUAL DIRECTOR REPORTS

- 1. President Gorke- not much to share, glad to hear things are going well and relatively quiet and hopefully we will have a nice Zoom meeting where we can get something figured out if that is possible, I will miss working with Shawna its great having you, thanks so much Director Brook for being here.
- 2. Vice President Johnson- Absent
- 3. Director Brook- Absent
- 4. Director Tolbert- The three-day Halloween event put on by the youth sports league was outstanding. I was down here most of the time, the work they did was amazing. The whole group deserve nothing but thanks, they put on a great show, Roxy was elected as Mayor. Thank you very much. I do believe we have a birthday coming up in the coming weeks, Ms. Henning. Thank you to the men and women of the Morongo Valley Fire Department for everything they have done for us, Thank you Stu, and Brittany. Chief Brakebill as always, thank you. Happy Thanksgiving Everyone.

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5. Director Henning- We had a BLM Tower Committee meeting, we met with Gabriel Hart, our reporter here from z107.7 the meeting included me, Evan Hoffmann, Mike Emory and James Whitney. We met at the proposed site and walked the area, Evan provided Gabriel and the new board members with information and background about this project.

L. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Next Regular Board Meeting December 21, 2022

M. ADJOURNMENT

The CSD Board of Directors adjourned the meeting at 7:49 PM. Moved: President Gorke Second: No Second Vote: 3/0