

MINUTES

DESERT EDGE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

(Created by the Board of Supervisors on October 4, 2005, Resolution 2005-447)

Desert Crest Country Club, Clubhouse Library

69-400 Country Club DR. (Dillon Road/ Desert Crest Avenue), Desert Edge, CA 92241

Minutes of March 10, 2015

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 4:37pm by Chairperson Sharon Huddleston
2. **Pledge of allegiance:** The Pledge of allegiance was conducted by Chairperson Sharon Huddleston.
3. **Roll Call:** Roll call was conducted by the Chairperson. Four council members were present. There was a quorum to conduct the business of the council.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes for the November Council meeting were approved as written. Motion Cindy Nance, second Susan Lombardi. Minutes for the Tri-Council meeting were postponed as the council members did not receive them. They will be reviewed in the May Council Meeting.
5. **Council Members Reports and Comments:**
 - a. Cindy Nance reported that she had received a CD with the General Plan Amendments. She also received information on the Senior Inspiration Awards. No one in Desert Edge or Sky Valley was awarded, however Cindy also received a form that can be used to recommend an award next year.
 - b. Sharon Huddleston reported that the Health Fair was very successful and that there will be another on 1/23/2016. She also reported that there is a free Senior seminar "What to do when the Ambulance is coming" This is available through Barbara Marty (562) 537-4669 email bigbear909@msn.com
6. **Staff Reports:**
 - a. Cal Fire – There was no report on the fire department responses, however Sharon Huddleston reported that the fire in the Men's locker room at Caliente Springs was substantial and the area may need to be re-engineered.
 - b. Sheriff's Department – Sgt. Dan Deviny reported on the crime statistics for February. These figures are approximately only, as some may have not been reported to the Sheriff's Department: residential burglaries 0, vehicle burglaries 2, auto theft 3, petty thefts 4, grand theft 4 and 1 Recovered stolen vehicle. Sgt. Deviny also reported on the COPS program. To date we have five COPS members. Ride-along in the COPS program requires completing an application.
 - c. California Highway Patrol – Unavailable for comment.
 - d. Code Enforcement – Unavailable for comment.
 - e. County Supervisor John J. Benoit Representative – Michael Gialdini reported

a. Waste Management

Response to questions from the Tri-Council Meeting- Fees are not waived but there is no fee for bringing waste to the Community Cleanup. Fees for a citation cannot be raised as they are defined by California Code. There is an ordinance that requires trash bins to be covered but it is hard to enforce.

The Community Clean up resulted in 38.55 tons collected from 122 residents. There were 297 tires brought to the cleanup.

Contact persons are: Joseph Contaoi at Riverside County Waste Management Dept. (951) 486-3200 jcontaoi@co.riverside.ca.us He should be called when large items such as sofas are dumped.

Valerie Ward, Burrtec (760) 674-1032 vward@burrtecdesert.com

If items are dumped in the right of way or for graffiti, we should call Rita or Mike

There was a complaint that Code Enforcement harasses Blair Station but that is not true.

c. MSWD lights – This will stay at one light on at night.

d. The supervisor's office received a complaint that individuals in a park were building without a license. Code enforcement checked on this and found that all had been permitted.

f. Other County/State Departments - There were no other agencies available for comment.

7. New Business:

Discussion for council to write a letter to Supervisor Benoit for Sgt. Deviny's role in establishing a COPs presence in Desert Edge, and request support from the supervisor for grants for the program. Rita suggested that the letter include a request for funding for the Community Improvement Designation (CID) funds. Cindy Nance will write the letter for approval at the May meeting.

8. Old Business:

See 6 (e) County Supervisor John J. Benoit Representative – Michael Gialdini's report

9. Public comments:

Comments from the audience were as follows: (1) Ellie Dullea mentioned that in Casa del Sol there are dogs barking in the night as well as cocks crowing. She recommended to her neighbors that they call the police. (2) Ellie also mentioned that there was an RV parked 4 nights across from Casa Del Sol and suggested that there be no parking signs. Mike said that there could not be signs there as the way the road is laid out, parking is allowed. (3) Ellie suggested that there should be better communication among all the parks. She is collecting all park manager's addresses and will give it to Rita. (4) Ronita Taylor mentioned that there should be a sign on Dillon and Langlois to note that it is not a through street. (5) There was also discussion about increasing random gun fire and Off-Highway Vehicles, for which individuals should call the Sheriff to report.

10. Agenda Item For Next Meeting and Announcements:

- a. Next meeting: Tuesday May 12th at Desert Crest Country Club, Clubhouse Library.
- b. Sgt. Devanny letter (Action item)
- c. Tri-Council Meeting minutes (Action item)
- d. Desert Pools CUP (Action item)

11. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 5:29 pm

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