

Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – 6:30 – 7:30 PM  
Oak View Community Center – Kunkle Room

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

- Chair Lomax called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm
  - **Present:** Kristeen McKeen, Christopher Anacker, Velma Lomax, Elizabeth Robles, Brian Aikens Barbara Kennedy
  - **Absent:** Randy Burg
  - **District 1 Staff:** Clint Garman, Ana Melgoza

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

- Led by member Lomax

**3. Approval Minutes of the meeting held January 30, 2023**

- Motion to approve by member Anacker, seconded by member Aikens. Approved unanimously 6/0.

**4. Public Comments (*comments for items not on the agenda*)**

- Comments made by CHP Captain Jarod Primicerio and CHP PIO Jorge Alfaro

**5. Presentation about Farmers Market by County Environmental Health Department**

- PowerPoint presentation by Graciela Garcia, Environmental Health Department Community Services Manager

**6. Ojai Trolley Service Update**

- Update by C. Garman, would run by VCTC & Phillip again for creative solutions.
- Supervisor LaVere will connect with Gold Coast Transit about doing the Santa Ana Route to the Oak View Library.

**7. Discussion of Recreation Activities in Oak View**

- Discussion about the desire to bring recreational activities to Oak View. Supervisor LaVere commented that the County could lease the facility, but the programming would need to be run by a non-profit. It was noted that activities were previously run by the Oak View Civic Council, through PAL.
- Member Lomax would contact VUSD for possible funding via an ACE grant.
- Group voted to create an Ad Hoc Committee to further pursue this.
- Motion by member Kennedy, Seconded by member McKeen, approved unanimously 6/0.
- Ad Hoc members are Kristeen McKeen, Elizabeth Robles, Christina Pacheco, and Velma Lomax.

**8. Discussion of Sidewalk connection from Community Center to OV Trail**

- Discuss with Item 11 on the agenda.

#### **9. OVCC & OVPARC Playground Improvements**

- Update by member Kennedy - had a budget meeting with GSA, there are some funds but would like a matching grant.

#### **10. Baseball lease RFP status**

- No movement, three new teams, Barbara working on this.

#### **11. Pickle Ball Update**

- Update from Brian of Lions Club – he sent the concept in, and feedback was to push back from the playground.
- Next steps are to conduct community outreach & member Aikens will connect with Luis at the City of Ojai Recs Dept. to understand pickleball noise and whether there is a noise/distance requirement and how many neighbors need to be contacted.

#### **12. Commissioner Comments**

- Member Kennedy announced an Easter egg hunt event on 4/1 at OVPARC, and a Caltrans meeting on 3/16.
- Member McKeen noted two potential Girl Scout projects: 1. The possibility to install a bench on Sulphur Mountain Rd. overlooking Camp Arnaz. Will email the photos to Clint. 2. Would like to make signs to post on the trailhead. It was suggested to work with Tom Maloney of the Ojai Valley Land Conservancy.
- Member Pacheco – reported on the uptick of catalytic converter thefts within the neighborhood.
- Member Aikens – positive and appreciative comments on the presentation on the Farmers Market by Graciela of EHD. Also requested the Memorial Day Parade be placed as a future agenda item.
- Member Lomax – Encouraged group to reach out to community friends and get the word out on the OVAC meetings. Request there be a flyer advertising meeting be created to circulate ahead of the meeting.

#### **13. Future Agenda Items**

- TBD – Casitas Water & Neighborhood Sustainability

#### **14. Adjournment – Next Meeting: Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 6:30 PM**

- Meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm

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