

**BIG PARK REGIONAL COORDINATING COUNCIL, INC.**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2012**

**Sedona Fire District Station #3, 125 Slide Rock Road, Sedona, AZ 86351**

**Call to order - Pledge of Allegiance:** President Carolyn fisher called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

1. **Determine Quorum by Roll Call – a quorum was established with the following 21 members present:** Bell Rock Plaza Association, Canyon Mesa, Cathedral Rock Ranch, Cathedral View II, Firecliff, Highland Estates, Las Piedras, Oak Creek CC Estates I, Oak Creek CC Estates III, Pinon Woods I, Pinon Woods East II, Pinon Woods North III, Ridge at Sedona, Sedona Golf Resort, Sedona Village Business Assoc., Sedona Village Lodging Assoc., Sundance, Valley Vista Estates, Village Estates, VOCA, & Village Park. **5 Members absent:** La Barranca I, La Barranca II, Oak Creek Estados, Pine Valley, Wild Horse Mesa.
2. **Agenda from Executive Board meeting**  
The Executive Board met on November 5, 2012 at the USFS Admin Center, Sedona, AZ. Meeting time at 8:00 AM.
3. **President's Report – Carolyn Fisher commented on the following items:**
  - (a) Carolyn introduced the day's speaker, Laura Jones, from the Friends of the Verde River Greenway.
4. **New Members/Member Changes – Tom Graham reported the following changes:** a. A letter was received from Village Estates HOA adding an additional Alternate, Harry Hirsch; Letters were received from Sedona Golf Resort confirming the appointment of Lillian Lombardo as the new Representative and removing Sally Gardner as an Alternate and substituting Tim Westbay as an Alternate; c. A letter was received from CR Ranch Community Association replacing their Alternate with Victoria Bresnan; and d. A letter was received from the Sedona Village Business Association appointing Ken Rouse as the Second Alternate.
5. **Secretary's report – Tom Graham – Tom reported that the draft minutes for the October 11, 2012, regular meeting were distributed and no comments had been received. John Gillam made a suggested change to Section 8(b). Moved, Seconded and Carried without objection to approve the October 11, 2012, minutes as amended by John Gillam's suggestion to Section 8(b) and an additional typo correction.**
6. **Treasurer's report – Kathy Huffstetler**
  - (a) Kathy had distributed the October, 2012 Treasurer's Report – No comments. Filed for audit.
7. **Corresponding Secretary's report – No Report.**
8. **Committee Reports – A reminder for Committee Chairs that display material for the screen should be submitted to Dave Norton one week in advance of the meeting.**
  - a. **P&Z Committee – Bill Kusner – Bill gave a report on the replacement equipment being installed at Bell Rock Plaza. This is being done as a matter of right and the Council was not actually requested by the County to give an opinion on this.**
  - b. **Transportation Committee – John Gillam – John reported that construction will soon begin on the Verde Valley School Road Project with completion scheduled for early February, 2013. With regard to the climbing land going south out of Camp Verde on I-17, the project will start with some blasting of rock to be removed and will last most of 2013.**
  - c. **Vision & Enhancement Committee – Paul Jankovsky - Paul thanked everybody for their participation in the blimp ride event and also thanked the George Brazil Company for their very generous contributions to make this event a success. Tom Graham reported that the Mel Copen Vision Fund now totals about \$14,000 and that fund is under the umbrella of the Sedona Village Main Street Partnership.**
  - d. **SR 179 Weed Abatement Committee – Gail Shaw Simpson – Gail reported that this committee met with Heather to show her a PowerPoint presentation about a revised proposal for the median. The presentation was well-received by Heather but no decision was made.**
9. **Visitor Presentation. Tom O'Halleran, President of Keep Sedona Beautiful.** Tom gave a very interesting presentation on the future of the Greater Sedona Area. The AZ Water Commission has determined that in the next 50 years AZ will grow from 6.3 million in population to 12+ million and in the next 100 years AZ will have a population of 18+ million. This growth in population will present many challenges to the Greater Sedona Area and to the mission of KSB to "Keep Sedona Beautiful" by working through these issues. KSB continues to educate stakeholders about the need for a National Scenic Area. KSB has determined that our tourism industry is

responsible for providing 12,000+ jobs. If the main reason why tourists come to our area is the natural beauty and that natural beauty is not preserved into the future, many of those 12,000 jobs will disappear. KSB is also presently working with the US Forest Service on the Coconino National Forest Management Plan to keep the principles of Amendment 12 alive and well. The local USFS people believe that our trail system is currently being overused so increases in population will only exacerbate that condition.

**10. Other Reports (see reminder about display material under #8 above)**

BPRCC seeks to have attendees at meetings of many organizations. In the interest of shortening our meetings, these reports will be made on a rotating schedule of 2-3 per month:

- (a) **Sedona Fire District. Fire Marshall Gary Johnson** – Gary reported that there is a new mechanism for allowing SFD & Sheriff access to gated communities. Gary also mentioned that there have been preliminary merger talks regarding fire districts. Check FEMA & Red Cross websites for how to prepare for an emergency.
- (b) **Red Rock Road Enhancement Maintenance District (RRREMD) – Tom Graham** – Tom reported that the RRREMD board nominations were announced: Richard Sidy, Mark Mumaw, Dave Norton, Steve Fiedler and Joanne Johnson. This board will be seated after the first of the year.
- (c) **Village Library Center – Carolyn Fisher** – Carolyn indicated volunteers are needed to move books to the main library.
- (d) **USFS – Paul Sullivan** – Paul reported that the next trails meeting would take place at SFD Station #3 on November 29.
- (e) **Yavapai County Sheriff** – We now have five deputies and a sergeant manning the new substation in our community.

**11. Old Business**

- (a) **Nominating Committee** – The report of the Committee is as follows: President - Ken Rouse; Vice President – Paul Jankovsky; Secretary – Joan McClelland; Treasurer – Carolyn Fisher (interim). The voting for these positions will take place at the December meeting
- (b) **Bylaw Committee** – Steve Fiedler agreed to call a meeting of this committee.

**12. New Business**

- (a) **Orientation of new officers/members** – Dorothy O'Brien agreed to assume responsibility for this function.
- (b) **Speeding on Verde Valley School Road & Jack's Canyon Road** – The sheriff's department is patrolling these roads in our community so keep your speed down.

**13. Announcements**

- (a) Paw Prints needs more volunteers as they are opening another store in West Sedona.
- (b) Lana announced a festival taking place at the Hilton on 12/21 & 22

**14. Adjournment – Meeting was duly adjourned at 10:45 AM.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas H. Graham, Secretary