

**BIG PARK REGIONAL COORDINATING COUNCIL, INC.
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2013**

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

Call to order - Pledge of Allegiance: President Ken Rouse called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

- 1. Determine Quorum by Roll Call – a quorum was established with 19 members present. 7 Members absent:** Bell Rock Plaza, La Barranca II, Pinon Woods I, Pinon Woods II East, Sedona Golf Resort, Oak Creek Country Club Estates I, and Wild Horse Mesa.
- 2. Agenda from Executive Board meeting**
The Executive Board met on March 11 at the USFS Admin Center, 9:00 A.M.
- 3. President's Report – Ken Rouse**
 - (a) Ken noted that the "Village View" publication is now mailed to each house rather than being thrown in driveways. The editor credits the Council's request for this change in delivery method
 - (b) Ken said the next "Acts of Kindness" event will benefit the Verde Food Council
 - (c) **Guest-Tom O'Halleran**-Tom invited all present to attend the April 11 meeting of the Verde River Basin Partnership to be held in Camp Verde on April 11 at 4p.m.
- 4. New Members/Member Changes** –The representative from Oak Creek Estados is Tom Mathiew and the alternate is Terri Zammataro. The Verde Valley School will be making their application for Council membership.
- 5. Secretary's report – Joan McClelland** – Joan reported that the draft minutes for the February meeting were distributed and the spelling errors corrected. A correction was made to Big Park School fund raiser to note that an additional \$400 was collected and this included 10% of the food sales at the event.
- 6. Treasurer's report –Paul Jankovsky**-The audit committee met and reviewed all deposits, checks written and interest received from the bank. The spread sheet balance agreed, to the penny, with the check book balance as of 12,31,2012. The committee agreed to accept the financial documents as presented.
The February Treasurer's Report was accepted by the Council and will be 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.**

Recreation committee-Ken Rouse- Anyone interested in serving on this committee contact Ken.

P&Z Committee-Bill Kusner-The variance requested for the Pine Valley parcel was granted by the Board of Adjustment and Appeals. A new theater business is moving into the old IMAX Theater in the Factory Outlets. They will be requesting a variance to the Yavapai County Sign Ordinance similar to that granted to the previous theater. This was expected to come before the Board on March 21. The request was not received by the County in time for inclusion on the March agenda and action by the Board will not take place until their April meeting.

Transportation Committee – John Gillam – Transportation committee members are Don Beard,Chair, John Gillam,Vice Chair, Joanne Johnson ,Gail Shaw-Simpson and alternates Hugh

Coble, Jim Gibson and Cullen Hollister. These members were approved by the Council.

Dave Norton noted that the pedestrian-bike lanes on the Verde School Road are not satisfactory. **Motion made, seconded and passed without objection to have the Transportation Committee contact the County on this matter.**

Vision & Enhancement Committee – Paul Jankovsky – A Vision Committee meeting will take place immediately after the Council meeting at 11 o'clock.

SR179 Weed Abatement-Gail Simpson –The committee has responded to the letter received from Heather Provincio to Gail which was published in the “Sedona Eye”

Signage Committee-Tom Graham- Tom was elected chair of the committee. They will meet with Boyce McDonald at the County offices in Cottonwood on March 26.

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

All America Road Committee-Tom Graham- The committee is investigating how to extend the southern boundary of the Scenic Road Designation of Hwy 179. They have also applied to have the community declared “Bike Friendly”.

Sedona Fire District- Chief of Operations Buzz Lechowski- He reminded us that wildfire season is approaching. Efforts should be made to have individual properties made fire safe. The Fire Department is willing to come to individual homes to make suggestions in this regard. Also, they will come out to change batteries in smoke detectors that are located too high for homeowners to service.

11. Old Business-none

12.New Business

(a)-**Scholarship Committee-Bob Kraft**-Applications for the scholarship are due April 15. Awards will be presented on May 14.

(b)**Signage Variance**-The Council voted to send a message to Yavapai County concerning the signage variance request for the new theater coming to the Outlet mall. This letter was to go out if the variance was coming before the County in March. The variance is not coming to the County until April after our next Council meeting, so the letter was not sent out.

(c)**Update on SR179 and I-17 interchange-David Gill**-David reminded us that ADOT plans to replace the present interchange had gone through Design Concept and Environmental Studies reports. In May 2009 approval was granted to reconstruct the interchange. Now, the ADOT five Year proposed plans do not mention this interchange. **Motion made, seconded and passed without objection to send the following resolution to ADOT before their May deadline for comments on their proposed plans.** David will coordinate efforts to have the resolution signed by the other entities listed. **Resolution attached.**

13. Announcements

(a) Keep Sedona beautiful Native Plant Workshop - April 6,2013. Call 928 282 4938

(b) Verde River Basin Partnership—April 11, 2013, from 4 to 6p.m. at Camp Verde Multi-Use Complex

Meeting adjourned at 11:03.

Respectfully submitted

Joan McClelland, Secretary

