

COUNTY SERVICE AREA 138 (CSA – 138)
MINUTES

June 26, 2023
VALLEY CENTER, CA
3:00 PM MONDAY in Community Hall Room #5

1. Call to order --- Bill called meeting to order at 3:09pm
Present: Bill Trok, Karen Blair, Irma Hernandez
Absent: Carol Johnson, Gina Roberts
DPR: Jake Enriquez, Darcy LaHaye, Luke Taylor, Mark Kieser (virtual)
VCCPG: LaVonne Norwood
Virtual: Adrienne Cisneros-Selekman
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approve May 15th, meeting minutes.
Changes/additions to May 15th minutes–
Present at meeting on May 15th: add LaVonne Norwood, Planning Group member
Item 9-change last sentence to read “Bill mentioned the Boys and Girls club offers leagues that provide basketball activities for youth in Valley Center.”
Irma motioned to approve minutes with changes, motion seconded. All approved.
4. Open agenda --- Opportunity for members of the public to speak on subjects within the Committee’s jurisdiction, but not on today’s agenda. Limit 2 minutes per item.
LaVonne asked if the internet speed downstairs can be improved. VCCPG meetings are unable to connect and host virtual meeting. Jake commented that County IT advised that the more the connection is used, the band width and connectivity will increase. Let’s keep using the connection.
5. Capital Improvements – Luke Taylor
Luke reported on status of construction contract encompassing 4 parks – Valley Center Community Hall and Park, Adams Park, Scibilia Field and Cole Grade Park.
 - Contracts currently with Purchasing and Contracting working out final details.
 - Waiting for Notice to Proceed
 - Pre-Con meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 29th
 - Completion date in January 2024
 - Bird surveys to be done at Adams Park
 - Banner to be placed on fencing during construction with information about the improvements along with a QR code for more information.
 - Contractor is responsible for necessary permits.

Community Hall – New drinking fountain to be installed by restroom building. Restroom improvements include all new plumbing, fixtures, vents, flooring etc. New playground with adult exercise area and ADA parking stall and path of travel to playground.

Adams Park – New playground with ADA path of travel. Restroom complete remodel. New live-on host site.

Scibilia and Cole Grade – new drinking fountains.

Irma suggested a ribbon cutting or construction groundbreaking kickoff event. Get the local newspaper to cover story. Shows the community what good things are happening with Parks and Recreation.

6. Park Updates: PowerPoint Presentation

VC Community Park

- May 20 – Little League closing ceremonies.
- May 22 – Rancho Lilac Meeting – DPR well represented, Jake, Dave Knopp, Brian Albright. Informative meeting well received by attendees.
- May 27 Movie in the Park- approx. 100 in attendance
- May 27-29 Memorial Wall displayed on stage at Community Hall for Memorial Day

Adams Park

- May 19, Pool – Wear your Lifejacket To Work Day – Proclamation given by Board of Supervisors. Raise awareness for the importance of water safety and drowning prevention.
- Tree planting – 9 large 60” box trees added to Adams
- Installation of two 10,000 gal water storage tanks for irrigation project
- Calsense irrigation controller installed – web-based smart controller that conserves water
- VCPUSD swim installed a “swim records” board at pool
- Swim lessons and rec swim began on June 17 – Swim lessons had more than 650 participants and set goal for 700 participants this summer.
- Summer Camp June 26-30 will include Tennis Courts
Cole Grade and Scibilia Field – put on by Valley Center Community Church

END OF POWERPOINT

Board of Supervisors and DPR are working on a \$36,000 contribution toward new starting blocks for the VCPUSD aquatics program. The acquisition of the starting blocks may take up to four months. New aquatic season starts February of 2024. Jake working with Shaina Harrington, VCPUSD swim coach.

7. Budget: Financial Report – Financials were presented and discussed.

8. 2023 PLDO Priority List

Karen requested future agendas include the PLDO priority list submitted for FY 22-23 as reference.

9. New Business

Irma requested update for Star Valley Park – Darcy mentioned that Star Valley Park will not be part of the ADA improvement contract due to cost.

Mark Kieser noted SVP is in a holding pattern for now. Board of Supervisors working on acquiring Butterfield Trails Ranch. Bill and Karen wanted to know more about the decision to move forward with acquiring Butterfield Trails Ranch.

Jake explained that the Butterfield Trails Ranch board letter left the door open for possible alternative funding. Property owners came in with cost savings.

Jim Desmond has asked for funds to purchase Butterfield Trails Ranch in the proposed budget. Budget to be voted on June 27th. This will be a chance to add new parkland to Valley Center.

Star Valley Park still has \$30 million allocated to develop.

By end of year, Harvest Park will be under DPR stewardship.

Irma requested we keep Rancho Lilac on the agenda.

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:34pm