

San Pasqual/ Lake Hodges Planning Group Jan 5, 2012 Meeting

Meeting called to order @ 7:03

Members in attendance: Marc Lindshield, Kody Songer, John Kowalski, Matt Witman, Joe Ferguson, Ernie Klemm, Jerry Kiley, Charlie Janzic, Frank Konyn, Doug Read, Darlene Hansen, Terry Parrish

Guests: Eric Bowlby (SD Canyonlands) Matt McPhillips (The Pinery) Dave Martens, John Ly, Bob Morriss, Cynthia Morriss

Public Comment: none

Old Minutes read. Motion to approve by Matt; Marc 2nd.
Police report: Equipment theft on Kay Bishop

Old Biz:

Frank to move from scheduled agenda to Canyonland presentation by Eric Bowlby. Rules committee to make recommendation for set aside land by Jan 11. They are looking for approval from SPC for conceptual use in our planning area.

Question 1: Bandy Cnyn is owned by SD City and managed by Park

Question 2: 2400 acres is city owned

Questions 3: Ag could not be grandfathered into plan

Question 4: City doesn't sell mitigated land but will use for it's own use. Will use "credits" of land

Question 5: Fire hazard. No difference to maintain either designated or dedicated. Reg structure will be in place. Requires 2/3 popular vote to change if dedicated. Not Water Dep't land but is Park land. Park has recommended for dedication to Real Estate Assets. Marc asks what use this land would be. Could be "designated" and used for Ag use; "dedicated" denies Ag use. Concern for fire prevention. Frank said there were roads before but none now for access. Marc states Park & Rec does NOT maintain these lands and Charlie relates we have no recourse now that P & R has it and won't allow access or maintenance. Frank says many acres of farm land has been turned over to Open Space and restricts Ag. The buffer zones also restrict Ag use. Eric feels the threat is from developers. Eric says it could be broken up by parcels for dedication. Joe F motions to support dedication two parcels on East end in concept. Marc 2nd. Motion carried unanimous. Marc moves to support West end parcels in "designation", not "dedicated". Darlene 2nd. One opposed, motion carries

Old Biz. John Kowalski's report on Urban Ag (see letter from Rancho Benardo Community Planning Board)

Eye Gnats: Charlie reports that Board of Supervisors wants county to declare gnats a "Vector Nuisance". Gave county 90 days to come w/ solution. Farm Bureau wants it included under "Vector Control" not "Nuisance" for funding purposes and we need as a

group to do more to counteract the political pressure. Frank read Mark's letter. Joe asks Morris's how they came to conclusion that eye gnats came from farm. They garnered info from media and scientific research. They felt when Bill B began cooperating with scientists was positive and expressed their support for farm continuing. Frank wants to see DiMaio and Mayor's office do more to encourage study. John Ly thinks if Bethke's report comes out first, that may mitigate County's report. Marc is worried that Bethke is on County team and the empirical evidence he is presenting is in question. He warns there may be a monetary reason for expediting the "Nuisance" label. As this is a decision to be ultimately made by Board of Supervisors, Darlene suggests we go in person to the meeting and volunteered to speak to them. She also feels the more individuals attending this meeting who favor more study, they will be swayed as they are politicians. Mark requests his letter be submitted to City Council as a non agenda item. As the time for items are limited, it would have to be summarized but a letter to be given to each member. Follow up calls and emails to council members would be needed to insure they read it. Franks asks of DiMaio would write a letter supporting Mark's letter to Board of Supervisors. Joe requests that Sonata could write letters supporting the need for more comprehensive study or attend the Board of Sup. meeting. Morriss' agreed to think about it. Frank voiced concern over "domino effect" from allowing that assault on Agriculture, starting with this issue. John Ly says we must address Board of Super. not councilman's office. Mark moves we submit his letter as a non-agenda item, Charlie 2nds

New Biz: Annual meeting in March

Marks asks Planning group to support a Lifetime Award for Ellen Willis.

Darlene is looking for contributors for Battlefield as it is slated for closure July 1.

Mark move to adjourn meeting; Joe 2nds