

MORONGO VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
11207 OCOTILLO STREET. MORONGO VALLEY, CA 92256

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

6:00 P.M. Regular Business

November 17, 2021

Covington Park, Community Building MPR
1165 Vale Drive
Morongo Valley, CA 92256

<https://morongocsd.specialdistrict.org/>

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A. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Board Meeting of November 17, 2021, was called to order at 6:50 PM.

B. ROLL CALL

1. Gayl Swarat, President, **Present**
2. Kristina Brook, Vice President, **Present**
3. Laurie Klimowicz, Director, **Present**
4. Johnny Tolbert, Director, **Present**
5. Christina Gorke, Director, **Present**

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

There was no Pledge of Allegiance during this meeting.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Board of Directors now takes time to consider your comments on items which are on the agenda. The President will recognize you at the appropriate time to assist in the orderly and timely conduct of the meeting. When called upon to speak, please state your name and residence. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes or less. If you wish to comment on an agenda item or non-agenda items during Public Comment, fill out the form on our website, or raise your hand. There will also be a one (1) minute Public Comment period before each agenda item.

Ray Casillas – There are a lot of issues with the current GM / Fire Chief. Other agencies don't like working with him to the point he has been asked to not respond to calls. The first step in moving forward is removing him.

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Board generally considers items in the order listed on the agenda. However, items may be considered in any order as established by the direction of the Board. Under certain circumstances, new agenda items may be added by a two-thirds vote of the Board. [Gov. Code Sec. 54954.2(b)(2)]

1. Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of November 17, 2021.

MOTION: Director Klimowicz motioned to approve the agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of November 17, 2021 as presented.

SECOND: Director Tolbert seconds.

RESULT: Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

F. AGENCY REPORTS

1. Sheriff's Report – San Bernardino County Sheriff's Representative
Not in attendance.

2. Director of Operation's Report – Gerald Yearsley
Director of Operations Yearsley reported the total call volume for the month of October.

MOTION: Director Tolbert motioned to approve that Director of Operations report as presented.

SECOND: Director Gorke seconds.

RESULT: Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

3. Risk Management and Public Relations Ad Hoc Committee Report – Directors Klimowicz and Brook

Nothing to report at this time

4. Fire Apparatus Driving Parameters Ad Hoc Committee – Director Brook and Tolbert
Nothing to report at this time

5. Morongo Valley Community Services District and Fire Department Funding Ad Hoc Committee – President Swarat and Director Gorke

Nothing to report at this time

6. Morongo Valley Sports League – Buddy Stogner

Mr. Stogner reported that that the adult league will begin December 18, 2021.

G. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the consent calendar are routine matters or formal documents covering previous District Board instruction. Items may be acted on by one motion of the Board unless a Board Member requests a separate discussion and/or action on an item.

1. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2021.

MOTION: Director Brook motioned to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2021 as presented.

SECOND: Director Tolbert seconds.

RESULT: Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

2. Cash / Checks Disbursements & Credit Card Purchases for October - \$57,833.73
MOTION: Director Tolbert motioned to approve the cash / checks disbursements and credit card purchases for the month of October.
SECOND: Director Brook seconds.
RESULT: Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution AB 361
The Board of Directors discussed Resolution AB 361 with Director Gorke expressing concerns, stating that she believes meetings should be in person.
MOTION: Director Brook motioned to approve Resolution AB 361.
SECOND: Director Tolbert seconds.
RESULT: Motion passed with a 4-1 vote.

2. Vacation Pay Resolution
In a prior board meeting it was discussed that an employee was capped at 180 hours of vacation time. The Board of Directors discussed and approved a 180-hour cap on vacation hours. It was decided to bring back that employee's vacation details to further discuss resolving the issue of him not having taken a vacation for the past few years.
MOTION: Director Brook motioned to cap full time employees vacation hours at 180 hours.
SECOND: Director Tolbert seconds.
RESULT: Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

I. CLOSED SESSION – 7:45 PM

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE – 24-Hour Notice Required
[Government Code Section 54957(b)]

J. ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPORTABLE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS – 9:52 PM

Due to President Swarat leaving the meeting early Vice President Brook reported, due to staffing constraints, the health/welfare and safety of the community, constituents, structures, and businesses, fire operations will continue until such a time that an investigation team may advise us that administrative leave may be warranted for one of our staff members.

K. INDIVIDUAL DIRECTOR REPORTS

No reports were given.

L. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Next Regular Board Meeting: December 15, 2021

M. ADJOURNMENT – 9:54PM

Moved: Director Tolbert Second: Director Gorke Vote: 4-0