

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

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

5:00 p.m. Regular Business

**NOVEMBER 17, 2021**

Covington Park, Community Building MPR  
11165 Vale Drive  
Morongo Valley, CA 92256

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The Special Meeting of November 17, 2021, was called to order at 5:02 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**

The Pledge of Allegiance was let by President Swarat.

**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 – I have a PhD in national security, what brings me here today is outright sexism, racism, retaliation, and lack of leadership. I fear someone will get injured or killed due to the violations of federal laws. Lives are at stake. He has years long history of retaliation and violating industry standard. Gary Yearsley should not be in the position he is in.

Jacob Samu – It has been rumored that the Fire Department is being turned over to county. Turning over to county will only delay response time. Please do not close the Fire Department. People lives will be put in more danger due to delayed response times.

Firefighter Paramedic Jonny Williams – It would be a huge mistake to close the Fire Department I have letters from past personnel stating they do not want to work for Chief Yearsley.

Sean Miller – I used to work for Chief Yearsley, due to his negligence I will no longer work underneath him. I will return to the Morongo Valley Fire Department as soon as he leaves.

**E. NEW BUSINESS**

1. STAFFING ISSUES WITHIN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Board of Directors discussed staffing issues within the Morongo Valley Fire Department.

**F. INDIVIDUAL DIRECTOR REPORTS**

1. President Swarat – no report
2. Vice President Brook – no report
3. Director Klimowicz – no report
4. Director Tolbert – no report
5. Director Gorke – no report

**G. ADJOURNMENT – 6:37 PM**

Moved: Director Tolbert    Second: Director Klimowicz    Vote: 5/0