

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

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

6:00pm – Special Meeting

SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

Conference In Person
Covington Park – Multi Purpose Room
11165 Vale Drive
Morongo Valley, CA 92256

<https://morongocsd.specialdistrict.org/U29T>

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A. CALL TO ORDER

The Special Board Meeting of September 30, 2022, was called to order at 6:03 PM.

B. ROLL CALL

1. Christina Gorke, President, Present
2. Shawna Johnson, Vice President, Present
3. Kristina Brook, Director, Absent
4. Johnny Tolbert, Director, Present
5. Jennifer Henning, Director, Present

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. PUBLIC COMMENTSS

Glenn Sheppard – Last week I made a statement that was erroneous, the Tamarisk tree does use up to 20 – 30 gallons of water a day. I’ve walked the park regularly and after every major wind there’s blown down trees. The history of these trees goes back far, it costs us over \$21,000 to tag and log all trees. It’s important to pass that along and get this done. It is maintaining the greenery here, which we need. Its either pay now or later.

Meg Foley – Want to make one request, assuming Tamarisk trees are done, would like to ask that the trimmings are taken away and not left behind. They are an environmental disaster.

E. NEW BUISNESS

1. Covington Park Tree Trimming

The Board of Directors received three additional bids for tree trimming. After review and discussion of all bids submitted the Board agreed to approve the lowest bid received from West Coast Arborists.

MOTION: Director Johnson motioned to accept the bid from West Coast Arborists for \$4,950.

SECOND: Director Tolbert seconds.

RESULT: Motion passes with a 4-0 vote.

2. MVYSL Halloween Extravaganza

Director Tolbert started off by stating that this was none of the Boards concern. It was reiterated that the Board is to create the fee schedule and everything else is handled by office personnel. Buddy Stronger told the Board that he submitted an application to the CSD Office and it was reviewed and approved by Chief Brakebill; he has insurance for all events thrown by the Morongo Valley Youth Softball League and he got insurance for the park. It was mentioned that it had been brought to his attention that someone had complained to the Board of Supervisors. Director Tolbert reiterated the park is private property and not under control of the County. Chief Brakebill stated that County Fire does not have jurisdiction of Morongo Valley when it comes to the fire department. He is the Public Safety Authority for Morongo, not the County and he can approve the event's public safety plan. He said he met with Buddy, reviewed his safety plan, and approved it. After some discussion, it was stated by Director Gorke that the event is "good to go". No Board action was taken.

F. INDIVIDUAL DIRECTOR REPORTS

1. Christina Gorke – Nothing to report
2. Shawna Johnson – Nothing to report
3. Kristina Brook – Not in attendance
4. Johnny Tolbert – Do not give district staffs cell numbers out to people. They need to call the office. Also, we cannot go behind each other's back and do other things. Problems are being caused for no reason. Thank you to all the men and women of the Morongo Valley Fire Department, Chief Brakebill and Brittany.
5. Jennifer Henning – Nothing to report

G. ADJOURNMENT

The CSD Board of Directors adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Moved: Director Tolbert Second: Director Johnson Vote: 4/0