**VAL VERDE CIVIC ASSOCIATION**

The Val Verde Civic (VVCA) is a non-profit volunteer association established by its members for the purpose of providing a forum for discussion, study and community networking activities for the betterment of the unincorporated area of Val Verde in North Los Angeles County area.

*We ask attendees to be aware of their time when presenting, asking questions, and giving comments. Anyone being disruptive, aggressive, or otherwise may be asked to leave.*

**\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE MAKE SURE TO SIGN IN ON THE ATTENDANCE SHEET AT THE DOOR\*\*\*\*\*\*\***

**7:10pm Roll Call – Call to Order**

**Board of Directors:**

\_x\_ President – Erica Larsen

\_\_ Programs & Development Director – *vacant*

\_7:25p\_\_Projects Director – Kevan Smalley

\_x\_\_Public Relations Director – Marshall Lefcourt

\_\_\_Secretary – *Vacant*

\_x\_\_Treasurer – Tanya Hauser

\_\_\_Appointed Associated Director #1– *Vacant*

\_\_\_Appointed Associated Director #2-- *Vacant* \_\_\_Appointed Associated Director #3 -- *Vacant*

**Pledge of Allegiance**  
**Approval of Agenda – Comments and/or questions on Agenda Items:**

Motion 1\_\_\_: Second: \_\_\_ Vote: Y\_\_all\_/N\_\_\_\_/A\_\_\_ PASSED

**Special Announcements**

>Shameless Plug Table

>Donation Box

>Meeting Drawing Box: Put your name in the box for a drawing at the end of the meeting for free goodies \*\*Must be present to win\*\*

**Special Presentation**

**Alejandrina Baldwin**

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Regional Planning, in collaboration with the County Sustainability Office, has started the process of updating the County’s Community Climate Action Plan (CAP), which we are calling the Our County CAP. The current CAP was adopted in 2015 along with the General Plan, and is set to expire in 2020. To better inform this update, we are reaching out to unincorporated community stakeholders to discuss this update process, the project timeline, and potential mitigation strategies for our GHG emissions.

\*\* POWER POINT TO SHARE \*\*

Environmental sustainability

Ordinance – Significant Ecological Areas

House the biologist for the department for the land use permits

Supoorting the sustainability office with the sustainability plan 🡪 Sustainability is the 7th pillar

Regional Planning comes into play on housing ordinances, etc.

Currently updating the Climate Action Plan

In 2015 adopted a general plan on mitigating of the greenhouse gasses from all the build out in the unincorporated county areas

Will update every 5 years… this is the first updated

Document\*\* Efforts addressing climate change

Carbon Neutral by 2045

\*\* Pie Chart \*\*

62% of emissions from unincorporated LA County is transportation

Actions are coming from the existing plan some coming from the sustainability plan plus new ones

Prioritizing = co-benefits

Timeline

Adopted by the board in 2020

Now putting together now ideas

April/May at the regional planning Board

Can follow-up

Q: Have such an issue here with the landfill and there seems to be a log jam… Why ?

A: Lots of codes are very old and we have to fibure out how to update and invest in sustainability but it is happening

The green zones is an example ordinance

Need for a middleman

Q: Organic matter should be its own can … we need LA county to show us that they care about it.

A: Difficult to manage the unincorporated but we have green ordinances which inform our contracts

Q: Clarification on the trash trucks not actually sorting the garbage

A: Will follow-up on the service

Comment on the transit system here particularly

Q: What about new developments

Q: Will the current permitting processes be in compliance with the sustainability plan?

A: Will be there hopefully

A: Staff need to make sure that permits are following the sustainability plans. Lots of housing bills have been signed

Board updating the Local Hazard Mitigation plan

Regional planning will then initiate the safety plan

ML: Issues with Getting out during rains etc.

**Community Reports (5 minutes each)**

Office of Assemblywoman Christy Smith (AD38) - **Michelle Kampbell** *Field Rep.*, [661.286.1565, [https://a38.asmdc.org/](https://a38.asmdc.org/" \t "_blank) ]

>Land use issues for unincorporated areas

Is doing a caucus of all members mostly because we are the trashcan of the county

Lobbying to keep county resources here in northern region

Dept of Toxic Substances Is a complete mess and she is going to re-boot the whole department

126 Light – there was not enough risk to get a light according to CalTrans

>Discussion about traffic study but potentially flawed because folks avoid leaving the community that way.

Chair on Join Legislative Committee on Emergency Measures – County Fire Officials have a chance to weigh in on developments

Education Committee

Jobs and economic development

Castaic Area Town Council (CATC) – **Douglas Roberts, Jeremiah Dockray** [www.castaicareatowncouncil.org] N/A

Val Verde Community Advisory Committee (VVCAC) [www.valverdecac.com] – *in transition*

Community Benefits Funding Committee (CBFC) - **Vince Cantella** [cbfcoffice@yahoo.com, 661.257.7636]

>Regular Updates: Financial Report, Next Dump Day, Election, Open Meeting

Deputy Rooney

Youth foundation changed their structure to a zero employee structure

Now trying to figure out a new structure with County, and always red tape

Old Structure kept local youth as employees which worked really well.

Currently working with Sherriff, supervisors, CBFC to sort out funding source after litigation, Meeting on the 21st.

AD: Motion for VVCA to write a letter to the Youth Services Captain Robert Modrano, and the Youth Foundation Chair Dennis Hathaway to support the prior staffing plan structure of the YAL support. 2nd SE Vote: Y\_\_all\_/N\_\_\_\_/A\_\_\_ PASSED

Sherriff Report

>Down 25% in all crimes from last year

Discussion about local person at-large

Call 255-1121 if you see the suspect.

**Consent Calendar**

Minutes from VVCA Regular Meeting 09-12-2019

Motion 1\_TH\_\_: Approve Second: \_ML\_\_ Vote: Y\_\_all\_/N\_\_\_\_/A\_\_\_ PASSED

Treasurer’s Report:

Check to Attorney for $100 for the

Will send him a $200 check for

Motion 1\_\_KS\_: Second: \_ML\_\_ Vote: Y\_all\_\_/N\_\_\_\_/A\_\_\_ PASSED

**Committee Reports:**

Fundraising Committee: Martha Lomelli, Tanya Hauser, Erica Larsen, Laurel Taylor

>Follow up on Recycling idea posed by Marshall

Families could donate recycling to VVCA for Money Back

Come around the Community collecting

On Dump Day?

Start Organizing this initiative with the committee

Gift Wrapping Coming up too. Contact Tanya/Abigail for information

Land Use Committee: Kevan Smalley, Jeremiah Dockray, David Sage

-Sterling Gateway / Hunt Williams update – Kevan Smalley

**(8:00pm) Old Business**

>Legal Update on CCL Expansion – Extension

Terri Harrah – Civil Lawsuit

Will bring by data sheets to get in on this lawsuit

This is an Investigative process

>Banner/Signage *tabled*

>Board Position Openings > Looking for a Secretary

Interest form on our website

Volunteer for Programs and Development Director – Terri Harrah

President Approved Terri as the Interim for the position

>“Neighbor of the Month” to Local Business meetings *tabled*

>D&O Insurance – Tanya Hauser *Tabled until County Lawsuit is paid*

Additional Quote – Erica Larsen

>Community Survey – *Tabled*

>English to Spanish Course – Kevan Smalley

Pick up in the New Year

>CERT Class Update – Kevan Smalley

Pick up in the New Year

>Letter inviting Supervisor Barger to Black Heritage Celebration

Ask Latisha to draft this

**New Business**

Collecting contact information for Barger’s Office

**Public Comment**

Events, Coming up

**Adjournment**

Motion 1\_\_SE\_ : Second: \_\_KS\_ Vote: Y\_all\_\_/N\_\_\_\_/A\_\_\_

Meeting adjourned at 9:11pm