

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE
CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, January 9, 2024
61750 Chollita Road, Joshua Tree, CA 92252

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – David Carrillo, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm
2. ROLL CALL – Aret Zelli, David Carrillo, Fred Jaross, Hannah Campbell, Karen Morton, Shari Long

STAFF PRESENT – General Manager, Sarah Johnson, Director of Administration, David Shook, Executive Assistant Lisa Thompson.

CONSULTANTS PRESENT – Public Outreach Consultant Kathleen Radnich, Emergency Management Consultant, Gary Sturdivan (attended remotely)

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
 - 1st – Hannah Campbell
 - 2nd – Shari LongMotion carried to approve the agenda.
4. APPROVAL OF THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 11.14.23
 - 1st – Karen Morton
 - 2nd – Fred JarossMotion carried to approve the 11.14.23 minutes with a correction to Karen's last name from Morten to Morton.
5. DISCUSSION ITEMS -
 - A. NEW WEBSITE REVIEW

General Manager, Sarah Johnson introduced the Director of Administration, David Shook, to the Citizens Advisory Council (CAC). Johnson and Shook presented the new website to the CAC. They explained the differences between the current and new websites, highlighting the new site's increased user-friendliness and improvements. During the presentation, members of the CAC shared their thoughts on the new website's appearance and functionality.
 - B. LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN REVIEW

General Manager, Sarah Johnson introduced Emergency Management Consultant, Gary Sturdivan to talk about the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP), its purpose, and the approval process from CAL OES and FEMA. Sturdivan explained that the LHMP is designed to mitigate natural hazards and is a tool used to get assistance from FEMA should there be an emergency or to obtain grants for hazard mitigation projects. Johnson mentioned that the LHMP is reviewed every five years. Johnson solicited feedback on the LHMP during the meeting. Johnson also requested the CAC to send any additional feedback or markups to Lisa Thompson by January 17th.
 - C. ROUNDTABLE CAC MEMBER COMMENTS

CAC members asked questions and discussed among all members.
6. NEXT MEETING – March 12, 2024, at 5:00 pm.
7. ADJOURNMENT – David Carrillo adjourned the meeting at 6:59 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Johnson, General Manager