

**TRI-AGENCY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
August 21, 2019
MINUTES**



David Olney (Hesperia Unified School District) called the Tri-Agency Committee Meeting to order at 3:33 p.m. at the Hesperia Unified School District, Superintendent's Conference Room, 15576 Main Street, Second Floor, Hesperia, CA.

CALL TO ORDER

Members

Present: Nils Bentsen, City Manager, City of Hesperia
Cameron Gregg, Council Member, City of Hesperia
Rebekah Swanson, Council Member, City of Hesperia
Kelly Gregg, Director, Hesperia Recreation and Park District
Shawna Irish, Director, Hesperia Recreation and Park District
Lindsay Woods, General Manager, Hesperia Recreation and Park District
Cody Gregg, Board Member, Hesperia Unified School District
David Olney, Superintendent, Hesperia Unified School District
Eric Swanson, Board Member, Hesperia Unified School District

Members

Absent: Jack Hamilton, Director, Hesperia Recreation and Park District
Ella "Lee" Rogers, Board Member, Hesperia Unified School District

Also

Present: Rachel Molina, City of Hesperia
Holly Bachman, California Consulting
Shannon Dunkle, Field Representative, Assemblyman Jay Obernolte's office
Mark Creffield, Hesperia Chamber of Commerce
Lori Mente, Executive Secretary, Hesperia Unified School District

1. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Tri-Agency Committee Meeting

It was moved by Nils Bentsen to approve the minutes of June 19, 2019, seconded by Rebekah Swanson, and carried unanimously.

2. Updates from Member Agencies

Hesperia Recreation and Park District Update (HRPD)

- June Golf Operations:
 - Total Rounds Played: 2,346
- Course Usage by Zip Code: Hesperia 618, Oak Hills 70, Victorville 263, Apple Valley 160, Other 253.
- Golf Promotions for August – 18 holes with a cart
 - Weekdays: \$20 per player before 11 am; \$15 per player after 11 am
 - Weekends & Holidays: \$25 per player before 11 am; \$20 per player after 11 am
- Programs:
 - Yoga and Zumba
 - Hot August Nights Concert Series continues through the end of the month
 - Shakespeare in the Park "Twelfth Night" @ Civic Plaza Park – September 27-29
 - Adult & Youth Basketball Officials Wanted
 - Fall Adult Softball Season – September 10 through November 6
 - Hesperia Days 5K – Run, Walk, Skate (September 21) – registration online
- Special Events
 - National Night Out – August 6th was well-received by the community
 - Movies in the Park has now concluded
 - HRPD will be hosting the Boy Scouts High Desert District Patrol Cook-Off on October 11-13 at Hesperia Lake Park. There are a limited number of judging spots open if you would like to judge the food.
 - Hesperia Days is September 21st and 22nd – Vendor applications, Event Schedule, and 5K information are all on the website

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- Saturday events include the Lions Club Hesperia Days Parade and the 5K Run/Walk/Skate which begins at 8 am
 - Festivities at Hesperia Lake Park include Vendor booths, Kids Fun Zone, American Music Festival from 11 am – 7 pm in the Hesperia Lake Day Use Area. Arranging for REACH medical air transport fly over at the Lake and land on the soccer fields to allow residents to get up close to the helicopter.
 - Fireworks display Saturday night at approximately 7:30 pm at Hesperia Lake Park
- Sunday events include the Hesperia Wranglers Championship Gymkhana from 8am – 2pm at the Val Shearer Equestrian Center, Hesperia Lake Park
 - Festivities at Hesperia Lake Park include Vendor booths, Kids Fun Zone, American Music Festival from 11 am – 6 pm in the Hesperia Lake Day Use Area.
 - VVCSC Duck Race at 3 pm at the Hesperia Lake Park Stream
- Other
 - District Offices will be closed in observance of:
 - Labor Day on September 2nd

City of Hesperia Update (CITY)

- Housing – Finished the year with 205 single-family home permits issued since July 1st of last year and now 20 permits so far for the new year.
- Spay, Neuter & Release Program – for feral cats who are released to reduce vermin rather than euthanizing. The Animal Shelter received a grant from the Best Friends Animal Society for \$50,000 for this program.
- Advance Disposal rate increase – starting the Prop 218 (notification) process – amounts will vary based on the percentage of tonnage.
- City of Hesperia does receive a remittance for allowing County area trash into the MRF.
- Golf Course – Council voted last night to sign a contract with a private contractor to begin by September 20. This will include looking into a CFD for the housing in that area.
- 18-24 months to receive revenue from the reclaimed water
- Upcoming Events:
 - City Offices will be closed in observance of Labor Day on September 2nd
- New Businesses/Projects:
 - Mama Carpinos – grading underway including a 1,000 sq. foot wine cellar.
 - Bath and Body Works will open in Gateway I
 - Aldi's off Bear Valley/Fish Hatchery – permitting approved, should start construction soon. Plans include a Panera Bread.
 - Kaiser is still planning September ground-breaking
 - 7-11 going in at 7th and Rancho – that will help pay for a signal at that intersection.
 - Once the Rancho widening begins, other signals will go in at Cottonwood/Rancho & Maple/Rancho
 - Commitment from County to fix the 2 signals at OHHS
 - Bear Valley east of In N Out – Medical office and restaurant. Plans for 2 restaurants and a bunch of office space. They are also moving two VVTA bus stops there.
 - Former KMart property – a fitness center is waiting on lease finalization.
 - Culichi Town – Nearing completion. They have a Montclair location, too. No opening date announced yet.

Hesperia Unified School District Update (HUSD)

- Please keep Lee and Bob Rogers in your prayers. Bob is in the hospital and not doing very well.
- August 9 – All-District In-Service
- August 10 – Principals with Pencils – All elementary principals – 750 pencils handed out
- August 12 – First Day of School
- Back to School Nights are underway through September 26
- Hired over 200 new employees over the summer (about 100 each teachers and classified)
- Initial reports show an increase of about 100 students over last year for the start of this school year.

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- 6 schools painted over the summer: Carmel, Canyon Ridge, Cottonwood, Eucalyptus, Lime Street, and Mojave High School/Alt. Ed Center
- New Principals for the 19-20 school year: Shannon Garibay @ Krystal, Faysel Bell @ Hesperia Junior High, and Alicia Bonnett at Rancho Middle School
- 2018-19 school year: 1613 graduates, 93% graduation rate as compared to an 83% grad rate state-wide, 33% A-G completion rate, 2017-18 data (from the National Clearinghouse): 61% attending college (18% to a 4-year and 43% to a 2-year), and 79% 2nd year persistence rate.
- Some upcoming events:
 - September 2 – Closed for Labor Day
 - September 9 – HUSD Board Meeting – 6pm
 - September 14 – Patriot Tribute @ HHS – 9am-12 noon
 - September 21 – Hesperia Days Parade
 - September 21-22 – High Desert Summit – Google Apps for Education @ HJHS
 - September 25 – SBCSS State of Education @ High Desert Church – 3:30-5pm

3. Other Items of mutual concern

- Questions re: parking/parent drop off/pickup – is there a plan to alleviate some of these problem areas?
- Are the bussing numbers down? Seems like more parent drop off/pickup instead of using busses.
- HUSD does send officers out to give tickets and to evaluate situations to try to re-direct or change problem areas.
- COPS grant – provides resource officers for the school and leverages with the city. Holly will provide information.
- Mr. Kelly Gregg mentioned that a local lodge foundation has given away 4.1 million dollars in college scholarships and they would like to get information for the HUSD counselors to have them share that information with students.
- Crosswalk on Maple near HHS needs to be looked at especially with the new house being built.
- Encore also has some traffic issues.
- ATP Grant is another option that might help.
- Holly shared some of what California Consulting can do to help all of our agencies.
- Railroad crossing by Carmel is impacting Choiceana and Main. Busses should be making a right there, not a left. They should go to Peach and use the signal. City has contacted the railroad – it is a private crossing and they have no interest in changing it to a public crossing. Railroad says once it's closed and was never a public crossing, it has to be brought up to current standards to re-open it. That means it has to have an overpass as they won't approve any at-grade crossing. If it had been a public crossing previously, it would be a different story.
- Mr. Cameron Gregg asked if there was interest in creating a virtual museum with our agencies. City is willing to host it, HRPD has historical documents, HUSD has students who could do the work and create the museum.
- Tri-Agency is a Standing Committee – should we develop a purpose statement? Each agency can bring a proposed purpose statement and we will work on that at the next meeting.

4. Reports from Chamber and Legislative Representatives

Assemblyman Jay Obernolte's office (Shannon Dunkle)


- 2019 legislation update - He introduced 27 bills
 - AB 21 – placed in the suspense file. This would essentially exempt all veterans from the fee for obtaining the veteran's designation on their driver's licenses. He'll bring it back again next year.
 - AB 28 – State Seal of STEM is in Senate Appropriations
 - AB 394 – CEQA exemption for fire safety routes is in Senate Appropriations
 - If you need letters of support for grants or other projects, please reach out
 - ACA1 – would have lowered the tax vote threshold from a 2/3 vote to a 55% vote – failed, but it may come back

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Hesperia Chamber (Mark Creffield)

- The Golf Classic was well attended
- Joint Legislative Action Committee w/ Victorville Chamber reconvening September 24 @ 8am – (always the 4th Tuesday of the month at SVL)
- Chamber Awards – Christy Harris – President’s Award, Shannon Shannon – Lillian King Volunteer of the Year, Mark Austin – Business Person of the Year, Elementum Services, Inc. – Business of the Year, David Olney – Hesperian of the Year
- Friday morning coffees continue to be successful
- Ribbon Cuttings:
 - August 30 – Victorville Chevrolet/Cadillac – 12:00 p.m.
 - August 30 – Inglis Classics Auto Repair & Restoration – 5:30 p.m.
- Chamber Closed for Labor Day
- No coffee August 30
- September 16 Luncheon will have a representative from NASA
- Christy Harris is going to work at HRPD – last day is August 30

Dave Olney adjourned the meeting by declaration at 4:51 p.m.



Lori Mente
Hesperia Unified School District