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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, March 11, 2020 @ 7:00 P.M.

Chaminade College Preparatory – Condon Center 23260 Saticoy St., West Hills, CA 91304 APPROVED

Committee Attendees: Steve Randall Co-Chair, Alec Uzemeck Co-Chair and Char Rothstein.

<u>Other Attendees</u>: Joan Trent, Joanne Yvanek-Garb, Tony Scearce, Dan Brin, Ann Mizrahi, John Luker, Wendy Gladstone, Bonnie Klea, Patrick Aguirre, Kamara Sams, Marcia Rubin, Roger Paulson and Steve Becker.

Opening Business

Steve called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM and a quorum was present. Steve read the revised Committee Operating Rules and they were unanimously approved. The Minutes for the November 13, 2019 meeting, November 13, 2019 special meeting and the January 8, 2020 meeting were approved

Public Comment

Bonnie said that the Workgroup meeting was poorly attended by the Council and it was an important meeting. Jared Blumenfeld, Secretary of the Cal EPA, spoke about the cleanup at the SSFL soil and he strongly supported the 2010 cleanup to background and said that there would not be any negotiation or revision of the 2010 AOC.

New Business

Marcia Rubin DTSC introduced Roger Paulson DTSC and Steve Becker DTSC as the speakers for the SSFL cleanup presentation. The information covered a description of the site, the history of past rocket testing and research, subsequent contamination of the soil and groundwater and areas of responsibility. Maps were shown that illustrated the extent of the chemical and radiologic pollution of the soil and groundwater. The project timeline includes investigation., corrective measure and treatability studies, selection of corrective measures and final selection and implementation and DTSC feels that the investigation reports from the RP's are complete and they are in the selection of corrective measures. DTSC is preparing the Programmatic Environment Impact Statement, to be complete by yearend, which will move the project into the final selection and cleanup implementation. Roger agreed that we are about two years away from the implementation and excavation.

Attendees asked questions for further explanation and understanding and DTSC expressed their willingness to address more groups in the future. DTSC announced their new website.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 PM.

The video of the full meeting is on YouTube ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE