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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT BOARD AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC MEETING MINUTES

Monday, December 12, 2022 7:00 PM

APPROVED

Co-Chair Steve Randall called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and a quorum was established.

Committee members in attendance: Steve Randall, Char Rothstein, Saif Mogri, Faye Barta, Brad Vanderhoof and Joan Trent.

Other Attendees: Alejandro Phillips, Bonnie Klea (7:15 PM), Nico Bourbeau and Laura Bass.

The minutes from the November 9, 2022 meeting were approved as amended.

Comments from the Chair(s): Steve mentioned about having an education segment on coyotes at the January 2023 meeting. Saif corrected his statement from the October meeting and stated that LADWP was not paying to replace grass with artificial turf but only for replacement with California native plants, mulch, etc.

Public Comments: Laura Bass spoke on the coyote issue and wanted to educate the neighbors around Haynes Elementary school and others in West Hills.

Saif spoke on the Rethinking of the Electric Grid, a report by Black and Veatch (B&V). B&V interviewed approximately 250 Executives and stakeholders from large and small electric utilities. Saif spoke regarding the challenging issues facing the electric utility with all the new regulations being implemented by the Federal and Local authorities. He discussed the generation mix that may exist in the future and how renewables and storage will play a role in the electric grid. Saif also mentioned the role that hydrogen may play in the generation mix of the future. He discussed the uncertainties that come into play while making investment decisions. One of the most important investments in the future is going to be long term storage and battery storage.

Saif responded to some questions on once through cooling and microgrids. Faye spoke about preserving and conserving water, land, etc. Alejandro requested information and some way to educate the West Hills stakeholders on solar energy.

Steve adjourned the meeting at 8:17 PM.