

Greater Yuma Port Authority Regular Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2020

9am

198 Main Street, 2nd Floor conference room Yuma, AZ 85364.

1. Annual Meeting Called to order by Chairman Matias Rosales at 9:03 am
 - a. Directors Present were
 - i. Matias Rosales, City of San Luis, Present Online
 - ii. Gary Knight, City of Yuma, Present Online
 - iii. Susan Thorpe, Yuma County, Present in Person
 - iv. Terry Frydenlund, City of Yuma, Present Online
 - v. Tony Reyes, Yuma County, Present in Person
 - vi. Gary Magrino, Cocopah Tribe, Present in Person
 - b. Directors Absent
 - i. Frank Rascon, City of San Luis
 - ii. Fernando Mezquita, Cocopah Tribe
 - c. Others Present:
 - i. Buna George, Executive Director
 - ii. Wayne Benesch, legal counsel, present online
 - iii. Tim Eisenman, NEI retired

2. Welcome

Chairman provided a general welcome to all those in attendance. He noted that the Cocopah Tribe has appointed Fernando Mezquita, Tribal Planner to the GYPA Board. Mr. Mezquita was unable to attend this meeting, stated we look forward to meeting him at the next meeting.

3. Discussion and possible action to approve meeting minutes of July 23 2020..

Motion to approve the minutes as presented: Tony Reyes

Second: Gary Magrino

Motion passes unanimously

4. Executive Directors Report

Executive Director reported progress on the Industrial Park Project Bids, the release of the Account RFP, a brief narrative and GYPA's involvement in responding to an RFI issued by ADOT regarding Statewide broadband, an overall update of the Binational Webinar's that have been in presented in conjunction with GYEDC, 4 Front ED and OPRODE San Luis MX, the series is due to complete its 1st session on 8/27. She brought forth that Cross Broder Essential Travel is still enforced at the POE's throughout the Country. It is undecided if another 30-day extension will be issued by the Federal Government in September, updates to be brought forth next board meeting. Border crossing numbers for Commercial, Pedestrian and Private Vehicles were presented, noting that commercial numbers remain unaffected in comparison to Pedestrian and Private Vehicles that have continues to show a decrease from this time last year. She also provided the board with a Grant status update and provided her activities for the month of the end of August into September and asked board members to provide any input to the retreat agenda that she is putting together.

5. Discussion and possible action to approve financials as presented:

Vice Chair Reyes requested the executive director to present the financials in a budget vs. actual expenditures format moving forward.

Motion to approve financials as presented: Susan Thorpe

Second: Gary Knight

Motion passed unanimously

6. Chairman Report

Chairman Rosales shared that there have been many inquiries about the new parcels within the Industrial Park, he has been in communication with the executive director about her activities as things continue to progress.

7. Discussion and possible action to amend the 2020/2021 Budget

Motion to approve budget as amended with stated changes on web design and maintenance and marketing and 20th anniversary line items to be separated:

Susan Thorpe

Second: Tony Reyes

Motion passed unanimously

8. Discussion and possible action to approve contract for Directors and Officer's Liability Insurance

Motion to proceed with purchase of D&O Policy: Susan Thorpe

Second: Gary Knight

Motion passed unanimously

9. Discussion and possible action to update GYPA website with MGM Design

Agenda item to be continued to November Board meeting.

10. Executive Session

Motion to enter executive session: Tony Reyes

Second: Gary Magrino

Motion passed unanimously

Executive Session commenced at 10:00am

Executive Session ended at 10:20am

11. Discussion and possible action to approve parcel pricing for Magrino Industrial

Motion for Executive Director to follow direction given in Executive Session: Tony Reyes

Second: Gary Magrino

All those in favor: Matias Rosales, Terry Frydenlund, Gary Knight

Against: Susan Thorpe

12. Summary of Current Events

Discussion ensued about making the meeting available electronically. Legal is going to follow up with open meeting law requirements along with CDC Guidelines concerning COVID.

13. Call to the Public

None

14. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn Gary Magrino

Second: Tony Reyes

Motion passes unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 10:30am

Respectfully submitted:

Executive Director

Buna George

Chairman

Matias Rosales