

MINUTES

LUCERNE VALLEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (LVEDA)

Monday, April 27, 2026– 5:00 PM – Moose Lodge

Meeting called to order 5:00pm.

Minutes approved. Moved by. Chelsea. Seconded by Debbie Schultz. Minutes approved.

Treasurer report 3/30/2026 Hat Collection of \$24. Current balance of \$4333.17.

Sienna Solar by Jennifer Jackson. Jessica Ott was introduced – new contact for this project. Moving onto the next phase. Will be around more often and visit LVEDA. Solar energy and battery storage project 1 mile east of Hwy 247. 1800 acres. Will connect to Calcite substation.

Jessica Ott. Sept 2027 Start construction December 2027 until June 2029. Jessica listed target dates over several months/years for completion of components of the project.

Melissa Boyd of SCE on Calcite substation. 60% renewable required by 2030. Calcite operational 2029. 220 KV on 70 acres. 5000 ft transmission line. 700' 12 KV overhead line. Visibility should be minimal due to lower elevation from highway. Question: what is SCE doing re potential impact of hexavalent chromium from the substation? Need to look at environmental impact report.

Sheriff's Report by Joe Nicochea (jnecochea@sbcisd.org) 502 calls for service. 390 from dispatch and other 112 by deputies. 70 reports; 23 people arrested. Three reports for stolen vehicles so thefts down again. Question about organizing Neighborhood Watch. Contact Public Information officer Amber Hutton from VV station. Question about what to do about off-roaders invading residential neighborhoods. Sheriff's Dispatch says to call CHP; CHP never responds. Not a lot law enforcement can do. Q: How about we call in over and over to let them know the extent of the problem. Yes, but still issues of identification if resident takes pictures.

Roads by Manuel Vela. His organization is Lucerne Valley Patriots. Caltrans has agreed to install rumble strips from all 4 directions. Need the men (and women) of the town to unify and deal with these issues. Request for 4 way stop has turned into a Complete Streets Program which will allow us to get priority funding.

Chuck: Manuel has done a good job getting Caltrans' attention. They have agreed to be here for the May meeting, which has to be May 18.

Curtis for Code Enforcement. Submitted. Has an open case on graffiti on dry lake, on the old radio station that is abandoned. County should have a bond to clean it up, so we are trying to get Code Enforcement to remove it. Still working on cleaning up old Gobar place. Squatter is gone, but there is still a lot of junk and trash. Graffiti on these buildings also.

County fire. Jared Newcomer. (jnewcomer@sbcfire.org) from local station. Main project is burn permits. Update to system will be tested within next 2 weeks. Public rollout shortly thereafter. Hoping this rollout is smooth compared to last time. Much discussion of the problems people encounter especially on the County website. Question: what can we do to get the trucks to a location more quickly? It's almost a joke to watch the trucks try to get to some locations.

THIRD DIST. SUP: (Steve). How to report dead animal on roadside. Do it online, move pin to location of animal. Creates a record which is helpful. Next Community Cleanup is August. Hopefully will get a shredder.

LVUSD by Peter Livingston

Our current enrollment is at 1,169 students. That number is now higher than where we ended last year and we continue to get new enrollment especially at the Elementary. Our state preschool is at 17 students and is still enrolling for anyone interested. Our charter schools continue to grow and are over 13,800 students.

Our spring sports are beginning to wrap up. Our teams and athletes showed significant improvement throughout the season.

Currently our certificated positions (teaching) are all filled for next year. Sometimes we may get a person leave at the end of the year, but with all our known openings we have filled them.

Monday, May 11th will be our annual senior lunch and basket project for our senior class. In the basket project each senior gets a personalized basket of gifts from a community sponsor.

Tuesday, May 13th is the Senior Awards banquet at 5 pm. Senior awards and scholarships will be presented.

Graduation will be on May 21st at 7 pm for our high school.

The last day of school for the 2025-26 school year is Wednesday, May 27th.

LV Museum. 10am Wednesday a crane will be there to drop the engine on the permanent tracks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Angie Miller

Next Chamber meeting May 14th 6pm. Various Honorary Mayor events announced. Business Basket at FFB will be drawn on Friday, 5/23. Memorial day will put flags on graves of veterans. Need volunteers. June 6 Honorary Mayor winner announced.

Next meeting May 18.

High School scholarships being collected at the bank. Deadline in the next few days.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30