MINUTES LUCERNE VALLEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (LVEDA) Monday, November 28, 2022 – 5:00 PM – Moose Lodge

Meeting called to order at 5 PM at Moose Lodge. Flag salute.

Minutes approved. Motion by Dave Rib, seconded by Donna S.

Treasurer's Report. Cynthia's collection in October \$77. Gave \$20 to Moose Lodge. Just paid insurance bill \$507. Balance \$3298.93.

SHERIFF: Sgt. Weinberg. Marijuana team won't come out for a couple of grows unless they are huge. Keep turning them in. Two fully dedicated teams just for marijuana. Was 6-7 busts/day in community during major work. Sgt. Weinberg is available at the local office to talk to locals who want to talk.

CONGRESSMAN OBERNOLTE: Hayden. House of Rep. controls the purse strings. Obernolte is working to use that to control inflation. Also working on effects of illegal immigration. Fentanyl is a big issue; deaths up 600%. Their offices are available for help to the citizens. Chuck asked about BLM. At Barstow office, one person was in - others didn't show up for a cattle meeting. Need accountability and more functional, especially for ranchers.

ASSEMBLYMAN SMITH: Lost his election due to redistricting. Most votes were in LA County. He had most votes in our county. Lackey will be the new rep as of Monday, Dec. 3. Sending letter of appreciation to Smith and Munoz.

SEN. GROVE: Dominic Heiden. Will still be with Grove – but moving to Central Valley. LVEDA letter of appreciation to Dominic. Sen. Grove will not be representing this area as of next week– technically we don't have a State senator and won't until 2024 – but can request representation from an existing one in the region. Yucca Valley district office: 1500 certificates of recognition sent out to local residents and businesses. Stopped 3 violent sexual predators from being located here. Stopped closure of Barstow Veterans Home. Tax on disabled veterans. Fought the classification of Joshua Trees as endangered since they are not. Human trafficking associated with illegal cannabis grows.

THIRD DISTRICT SUPERVISOR: Steve Reyes AB205 about State taking over solar applications. County not sure yet how this will play out. Some discussion of Measure D. Supervisors will be fulltime; tax measures must be passed by 80% of Supervisors and then still go on the ballot. Why fire insurance doubled or even cancelled? Because State reclassified our area. Lots of stop signs going up as a part of a settlement of a lawsuit.

Re: street vendors. Code Enforcement process.

LV SCHOOL DISTRICT Chelsea LaGrange. School Board Meeting will be December 15. Dec. 2 at 6pm. A concert at the High School by the school bands.

COUNTY FIRE: Capt. Mike Taylor . Not present.

L.V. MUSEUM Need support for their project to restore indoor displays in the Community Center, 25% on north side of building. Chuck will send a letter to Supervisor Rowe supporting this project. Donna will consider support from LV CofC. Pam of LV Youth Outreach will support.

Chuck reviewed State responses to our requests for road improvements.

Chuck's question: Are we supposed to subscribe to The Pulse? Yes, \$30. Mail check to Pulse of the High Desert, P.O. Box 290066, Phelan, Ca. 92392. To submit ads, contact Barbara La Grange.

Upcoming subject: what do we want LVEDA to do in 2023?

ANNOUNCEMENTS Donna Soria retiring as CofC President.

Roadrunners: Santa Photos at LV Market on Dec. 10. Supporting families in need. Will have collection boxes at LV Market, the bank, other places for toys. Toy distribution - Dec. 20 in LVES, 1:00 -4:00 in the Multipurpose room.

Lions Club wants to restart pancake breakfasts. Use it as fund raising for outfits like high school sports teams. Christmas breakfast for basketball team. January 15 NRA training class, Sunday, all day, \$100. Intensive training, bring your own weapon, 50 rounds ammo.

\$80 from LVEDA's "pass the hat" given to George for Lions Club toward Christmas tree lights and electricity on Strawberry peak. \$60 paid for a hamburger for any attendee that wanted one. The remaining \$26 collected went as a donation to the Moose Lodge. Thank You who were at the meeting – very generous.

No LVEDA meeting in December.

Meeting adjourned 6:30.