

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**ITEM: 2.1
(ID # 20679)**

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, November 29, 2022

FROM : SUPERVISOR KEVIN JEFFRIES:

SUBJECT: SUPERVISOR KEVIN JEFFRIES: Naming of Community Facilities and Amenities in Lakeland Village after community members who have made a difference to the Lakeland Village community

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors recognize community members, Grace Sandlin, Dorri Neal, Richard & Judy LeBlanc, and Peter Dawson for their years of dedicated service and approve the naming of local community facilities and amenities in their honor.

“Sandlin / Neal Community Room & Theater” at the Lakeland Village Community Center
“LeBlanc Pickleball Courts” at the Lakeland Village Community Center
“Dawson Beach” at Perret Park in Lakeland Village

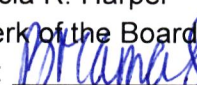
ACTION:Consent


Supervisor Kevin Jeffries, Vice Chair 11/21/2022

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Spiegel, seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Hewitt, and Perez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: November 29, 2022
xc: District 1

Kecia R. Harper
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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BACKGROUND:

“Sandlin / Neal Community Room & Theater” at the Lakeland Village Community Center
Grace Lynn Sandlin, co-founder of Studio 395, inspired, supported, and served her community through art programs and non-profit organizations. Studio 395, the original and current operators of the Lakeland Village Community Center, have been influential in the community by providing programs where all can experience and engage in art and culture and to provide opportunities for local artists to inspire and create. Sadly, Grace passed away in November 2020 but the vision she inspired in the community is alive and still growing today.

Dorri Neal, was the Principal of Butterfield Elementary School in Lakeland Village from 1993 to 2010 and retired from the Lake Elsinore Unified School District in 2018 after a career of 39 years with the school district. The school had closed in 2010 after 28 years of service to the community. In 2015, the County purchased the school property and transformed it into a Community Center for the Lakeland Village community. When people visit the Community Center, many have stories of how they or their children went to the school when it was open.

Naming the Community Room at the Lakeland Village Community Center after both Grace Sandlin and Dorri Neal is a tribute to what an impact these women have had to the community.

“LeBlanc Pickleball Courts” at the Lakeland Village Community Center

The LeBlanc family first settled in Lakeland Village around 1944. Richard LeBlanc has demonstrated a longtime commitment to the greater Lake Elsinore valley. After serving in the Korean war, Richard returned to own and operate a local service station, served for many years as a youth baseball coach, Lakeland Village Volunteer Firefighter (including during the deadly 1959 Decker wildland fire), Lake Elsinore boating and water ski enthusiast, and then to operate the first Tennis courts in the Lakeland Village community. Richard and Judy LeBlanc were one of the first to build a private pickleball court in the Lake Elsinore valley and became very strong advocates for the addition of public Pickleball courts when the Lakeland Village Community Center was in the initial design concept phases. Richard (age 90) and his wife Judy are both active pickleball players today. Naming the Pickleball Courts after Richard & Judy LeBlanc will recognize their decades of dedication to the community of Lakeland Village.

“Dawson Beach” at Perret Park in Lakeland Village

Peter Dawson has been enjoying the Lake in Lake Elsinore since 1964 and has been a resident and boating and marine business owner of Lake Elsinore since the 1970s. Peter has been a strong unwavering advocate for protecting and preserving not only the Lake but also private property rights and lake access in Lakeland Village. Naming the Beach at Perret Park in Lakeland Village after Peter Dawson is fitting for all his has given to protect and promote the Lake.