

Antelope Valley RPAC
Minutes of June 7 2012 meeting
Community Center Walker CA

1. Call to order 7:05

2. Public comment.

Tim Fesko reported that the ATV Jamboree, scheduled for June 12-16, has had 182 participants sign-up. He seeks volunteers.

Mike Curti, on behalf of the AVFD, reported that all burning will likely be closed in California within two weeks due to the high fire danger. Dump coupons for waste wood are available at the fire station and from Mike. There have been issues with camping and fires at Mountain Gate Park; the USFS will post 'no fires' signs and Tim F will post 'no camping' signs.

3. Approve minutes of 3/12, 4/12, 5/12 meetings.

Motion for approval (Mark/Tim) passed.

4. Informational Items:

CCD staffing changes / Scott Burns

Tony Dublino is now in charge of the county solid waste program and will no longer serve as RPAC liaison. Jerry L. will be the transitional liaison.

Motion that a letter of thanks be sent to Tony for his dedicated service to our RPAC (Mark/John) was passed. Dan will write and bring the letter to the next meeting for approval.

Supervisor Report / Tim Hansen

Tim reported that that the schools water treatment plant is up and running.

Discussion of draft ordinance regarding mailboxes within the County right-of-way / Marshal Rudolph and Jeff Walters.

Marshal reported that the county wants to clear up the confusion in the codes related to features in the ROW. This would also address liability issues. They are proposing that a permit be required. They are not sure how many mailboxes in the valley would be effected. Mike pointed out that many of the cross valley roads are actually private roads; this was news to the county representatives. The current flat fee for an encroachment permit is \$300 but that could change. Tim H said that he thought that figuring out if something is encroaching is the responsibility of the county and not the home owner.

Mountain Gate Update / Arden, Bruce

Arden reported that due to the tractor being down the dirt that still needs to be spread hasn't been.

Bruce reported that although Mary Ellen is gone, we should soon find out about pending approval the 'trails grant' she submitted.

MWTC Update / Doug Power

Doug reported that a full schedule of training has started, There is a new commanding officer on base. They will be attempting to start 'stake holders' lunches later this summer.

5. Discussion Items.

Consider letter of support for AV FD Larson Lane Fire Station re-designation. Draft letter was presented and discussed.

Motion to approve letter with changes (paragraph 4: remove "de facto", change "because public service activities are not consistent with the county's Agricultural land use designation" to "because public service activities are not the primary land use within the county's Agricultural land use designation" (Don/Tim) was passed.

Maintenance of t-shirt memorial at north end of Walker

Mark said that many of the t-shirts hanging there are in poor shape, are therefore disrespectful and this reflects poorly on both the fallen firefighters and the town of Walker. Arden said that Dave Rowley (sp?) keeps the display tidy. Mark said that it hasn't been tended to in a long time and is not tidy. Mark suggested having the AVFD 'adopt' the sight and clean it on a regular basis; Mike said that the department will clean the area up this tuesday. John will look into students at Coleville HS 'adopting' the location.

Membership, bylaws and discussion of how to ensure regular quorum.

Dan handed out a attendance summary. Scott handed out the county's RPAC information sheet. There was a discussion of attendance procedures and the number of members. Bruce said that having 15 members is good for forming subcommittees. Scott said that the number required for a quorum is based on the actual number of member not the number of allowed members. Dan stressed the need to recruit good new members. Scott said RPAC attendance is a problem county wide.

Motion (Tim/Bruce) that Loretta write a letter (and Bruce will edit and type up) stating that AV RPAC members who are not attending with the required frequency will be removed from the RPAC at the next meeting unless they

signify that they wish to continue being a member and will adhere to meeting requirements. This will be brought to the next meeting for approval.

Discuss primary issues the AV wants addressed as part of the General Plan update.

Scott said that the county received a \$326k Sustainable Communities grant that will be used to do a comprehensive GP update. He encouraged the group to take a look at the area plan and see if we think it says what it needs to. He said that zoning changes should be driving by reason to meet the goals of the Area Plan and specific needs of this area. The timeline for the update is within three years. Scott said that an update with detailed and complete environmental documentation will help save having to deal with additional documentation later.

There will be no meeting in July.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Langner

Attending (according to sign in sheet):

RPAC: Dan Anthony, Mark Langner, Arden Gerbig, Bruce Woodworth, Orval Mosby, Laretta Cochran, John Peters, Tim Fesko, Don Morris, Mike Curti.
Others: Tim Hansen (Mono Co.), Bob Peters, Doug Power (USMC), Scott Burns (Mono Co), Judy Curti, Claudia Bonnet.