

County of Placer
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MINUTES FOR APRIL 12, 2006

1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS:

Chairman Houck called the Sheridan Municipal Advisory Council meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Houck, Lee Bastien, Turk Ozcan, Adam Carpineta

MEMBERS ABSENT: Don Norris, Jr.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Pereira, Lois Clausen

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: *To approve Minutes for March 8, 2006:*

Approve minutes, as corrected on page 3, item 8B, to change "Teichert Aggregate Associates" to "Patterson Sand and Gravel (Cemex, Inc.)" Bastien/Carpineta/UNANIMOUS

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: *To approve Agenda for April 12, 2006:*

Bastien/Carpineta/UNANIMOUS

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Houck introduced Mike Whitney, former Placer County deputy sheriff, who received the "Champy" award from CCAI in 1/06.

5. PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY REPORTS:

A. Fire Department: Greg Guyan reported a former Auburn area fire station has been absorbed into local fire services and will become a CDF wildlands station to serve this area. Regarding the proposed UAIC development, an EIR is expected soon. A meeting was held with Bickford Ranch representatives, and the architect is finishing up design for the new fire station, expected to come online in spring, 2007. He cautioned drivers to be careful due to flooding caused by recent heavy rains. Several landslides have occurred locally, primarily on Foresthill Road, at Yankee Jim's, and on Highway 193. Sandbags are available at several local fire stations. A grant was received for additional fire department breathing apparatuses, expected to be in use in four to six weeks. He reminded residents to change smoke detector batteries and to replace smoke detectors after ten years use. A new detector using voice alert has been shown to significantly increase waking children to smoke dangers.

Mr. Houck announced an Easter Egg Hunt will be held 4/15 at 8:00 a.m. at Station 74. Pancake Breakfasts will be held from 7:00-11:00 a.m. on 5/6 at Sheridan Station and on 5/20 at Station 74.

B. Placer County Sheriff: Lynn Harrison distributed cellular emergency telephone number cards for local law enforcement agencies. She suggested residents contact Detective Dave Pabst at 916 652-2445 with any information regarding local cases under investigation. The department is looking for a silver or light-colored sedan reported stealing mail from mailboxes on Fruitvale in Lincoln. She reminded residents to dispose of dead animals properly as burning the carcasses was illegal. She reported calls in the last month included several domestic disputes, shooting of birds and turkeys from passing pickup trucks, ATVs and quad runners on Litchy Lane and Karchner Road, injury accident on Highway 65 & Wheatland Road, identity theft using credit cards stolen from a mailbox on Meadowlark Lane, a break-in at Costa's restaurant, squatters in a trailer at S. Forbes & McCourtney, vandalism of a trailer on F Street, and illegal dumping.

C. California Highway Patrol:

Mr. Williams was unable to attend the meeting. Regarding the "Stay Alive on 65" safety campaign, Mr. Houck reported the rumble strips, which will be cut into the asphalt, are expected to be in place in about four months and several daylight headlight zone signs were unveiled 4/11. Mr. Bastien noted no signs were in place southbound from Wheatland to Sheridan.

D. Sheridan School:

Mr. Knutson was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Houck reported Sheridan School 7th and 8th graders will be bussed to Lincoln schools beginning in fall, 2006. Mr. Bastien announced a school board meeting will be held 4/18 at 7:00 p.m. at Sheridan School regarding the annexation of territory into the existing community service area and possible tax levy.

6. INFORMATION/NON-ACTION ITEMS:

A. Patterson Sand & Gravel Expansion Proposal / Public Comment:

No public comment. See 6B.

B. Major Projects Update, Western Placer County

Paul Thompson, Placer County Planning Department, provided updates on several major projects in Western Placer County:

Placer Vineyards Specific Plan - Mixed-use master planned community with residential, employment, commercial, open space, recreational and public/quasi-public land uses. The project consists of 5,230 acres and 14,132 dwelling units and an estimated 33,000 residents at build-out. The Draft EIR is being circulated, with public review period from 4/5-5/19. A public hearing will be held 5/11 at 10:45 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors chambers in Auburn. More information can be obtained at the website:

www.placer.ca.gov/planning.

Regional University Specific Plan - The project consists of 1,136 acres and an estimated 4,300 units with a proposal to donate 600 acres for private four-year regional university, with the remaining 500+ acres to also contain mixed uses. Several chapters of the DEIR have been received and public comments are expected to be taken in 5/06. Responding to Mr. Houck's question, Mr. Thompson noted the university is expected to serve 3,000-6,000 students and contain a 25,000 seat stadium. If these estimates are exceeded, the EIR would need to be amended.

Placer Ranch Specific Plan - The project consists of 2,200 acres, with 6,700 dwelling units and a California State campus for 15,000-25,000 students. The Notice Of Preparation has been circulated. The project is proposed to be about 4,300 ft. from the landfill, although Placer County current regulations allow no development within one mile of a landfill.

Patterson Sand & Gravel Expansion - Proposal to expand into adjoining land. Currently awaiting Final EIR. There are several issues including new ownership (Cemex, Inc.), a new project manager, and the need to revegetate some land due to mining operations.

Yankee Slough Hunt Club & Paintball Facility - The project is expected to be in the environmental process until 7/06.

California Motocross Park - Proposal for six-seven open air racetracks with large stadium, recreation facilities and commercial and retail tenants on 160 acres. The county is preparing the initial study. The MAC will be notified when the NOP is expected to be circulated.

Responding to Mr. Houck's question, Mr. Thompson noted the United Auburn Indian Community and Placer County have approved a memorandum of understanding, and the NOP has been released regarding the UAIC Rancheria project.

In response to Mr. Ozcan's question regarding Reggie's Gas Station renovation, Mr. Thompson reported that Ms. Rosasco, Placer County Planning, is working with county public works to resolve the issues regarding traffic circulation.

C. City of Lincoln General Plan Update

Rod Campbell, City of Lincoln Community Development Director, gave a power point presentation highlighting the City's General Plan Update. The fourteen member steering committee held thirteen workshops since 2/02, with a consultant hired to assist in planning and to assure the plan would help the city attain fiscal stability. It was deemed necessary to attempt to capture economic opportunities and recapture resident dollars being spent in surrounding cities. The general plan has evolved from a 25-year to a 50-year plan to accommodate growth in Western Placer County, roughly following SACOG's blueprint for the region. The establishment of the Placer Legacy program supported the need to create and conserve permanent open space and protect endangered species within the plan. The new general plan adds approximately twenty one square miles to the city's sphere of influence. The plan also adopts the "village concept", with nine prospective villages containing mixed use areas and mixed land uses and densities, with approximately 35% of the area as open space, and including community, regional commercial and employment-generating land uses. Regarding water and sewer facilities, PCWA would supply an estimated 34,000 acre feet, with NID expected to provide an additional 12,000 acre feet of treated water. The current wastewater treatment plant site facility can be enlarged, as 600 additional acres were purchased within the last few years. A regional plant is in the planning stages as well. When the City Council approves the general plan update, the city will then be required to go through the LAFCo process regarding the sphere of influence.

7. ACTION ITEM:

None.

8. MAC COMMITTEE AND COUNTY SERVICE AREA (CSA) REPORTS:

A. County Service Area (CSA) 28, Zone 6A1.

1. Sewer & Water:

Mr. Houck reported a ditch behind homes on E Street was clogged with debris and needed cleaning. Ms. Pereira offered to follow up with the county public works department.

2. Parks & Recreation:

Albert Richie, Placer County Department of Facilities Services, noted that Sheridan Park is administered by the county, but is owned by Sheridan Recreation, Inc. As required by law, the yearly meeting of the Sheridan Recreation, Inc. board will be held prior to the regular MAC meeting in May. He noted safety problems had developed requiring the removal of swings at the park. Other local parks had similar problems and the county is seeking to exclude the manufacturer from the bid process in the future. He will send a crew out to repair several leaks in the building at the park.

3. Mosquito Abatement:

Mr. Bastien spoke with Placer Mosquito Abatement Director Charlie Dill recently, who reported the district is fully staffed and ready when the weather heats up. Mold allergy is bad this year, due to unusually heavy rainfall. The district maintains a chicken flock in Sheridan, which is checked regularly for WNV. "Mosquito and West Nile Week" will be held 4/24-4/29 this year.

B. Land Use - Ms. Pereira gave the following updates:

Teichert Aggregate Associates - No change.

Bickford Ranch - No change.

Nicolaus Road Closure - Ms. Pereira distributed flyers, showing detours available from 4/17-6/1/06 while the bridge is being replaced. The 7-ton load limit advisory on Dowd and Moore Roads is now not going to be enforced on the detour route.

C. Code Enforcement - Ms. Pereira noted Placer County Code Enforcement is aware of an abandoned car pulled from a local creek and left on property in the area and of red-tagged cars on 11th Street. Six vehicles were abated at 9545 Camp Far West Road.

D. City of Lincoln:
See Item 6C.

E. County of Placer:

Regarding the Highway 65 safety campaign, Ms. Pereira reported Supervisor Weygandt, representatives from both Sheridan and Rural Lincoln MACs, the CHP and CalTrans held a media event on 4/11. Several of the "daylight headlight zone" signs were unveiled along Highway 65, with brochures distributed.

The U.S. Postal Service Real Estate Division has renewed the lease on the Sheridan Post Office for five years.

The MAC had requested the Sheridan Clean-Up Day be invigorated. The event will be held at the Sheridan School parking lot on 4/22. Ms. Pereira distributed flyers.

Sheridan MAC agendas are now on the county website.

Responding to Mr. Whitney's question, Mr. Pereira noted Regional Water Quality Control Board representative Amy Terrell will update the Rural Lincoln MAC at the 5/06 meeting regarding alphas perchlorate.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATION:

Mr. Ozcan noted Costa's Restaurant is open and serves excellent sandwiches. Mr. Houck noted "Creek Week" will be held 4/22-4/29. Mr. Bastien noted the county has approved the bid process for work on Nicolaus Road from Garden Bar to McCourtney and One-mile Road. Easter Service will be held at 9:30 a.m. on 4/16 at Wheatland Harvest Church, and funeral services for Mrs. Mary Sherfield will be held 4/13 at 1:00 p.m. at Pentecostal Church in Sheridan.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: *To adjourn the meeting:*

Bastien/Carpineta/UNANIMOUS.

The Sheridan Municipal Advisory Council adjourned at 8:55 p.m.