



MINUTES FOR JANUARY 22, 2007

**1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS;**

Chairman Fowler called the 131<sup>st</sup> Lincoln Rural MAC meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Fowler, Mike Whitney, Karla McAnally, George Alves, Deirdre Lefty

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Pereira, Lois Clausen

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Diane Hilbert and residents of Amoruso Road.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Approval of minutes for December 18, 2006 was postponed to the February meeting.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

UNANIMOUS

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

A resident questioned if any agency could compel property owner to remove construction debris which has become a nuisance to neighbors. Ms. Pereira offered to follow up with Code Enforcement.

**6. PUBLIC SAFETY and COMMUNITY REPORTS:**

**A. Fire Department:** Greg Guyan reported the area has been fortunate with few fires recently. He reminded residents to call for an ok to burn and cautioned them to be sure chimneys are cleaned, be careful with candles, and not to overload electric plugs and cords. CDF name has been changed to CalFire. Responding to a citizen's question regarding fire extinguishers, Mr. Guyan noted there are many different types of extinguishers, but those containing powder should be shaken to loosen compacted powder. As to putting out a stove fire, the best manner would be to smother the fire.

**B. Placer County Sheriff:** Lynn Harrison thanked the MAC and Ms. Pereira for their support in the recent death of a family member. She introduced Rick Padilla, who has been assigned to cover the local area. Recent crime statistics are varied. There have been ten promiscuous shooting calls, and "Golden Sierra Landscape" is facing felony charges. Several calls were received for commercial, residential and auto burglaries and many copper pipe thefts. Six vehicles were abated. In response to a resident's concern, Ms. Harrison stated code enforcement should be notified if auto repairs are occurring on private property.

**C. California Highway Patrol:** Mark Williams announced three additional officers have been assigned to the area. He reported no fatal accidents this year. 2006 statistics showed fatal accidents are up 25%, overall accidents down 3%, DUI arrests up 40%, seatbelt citations up 81%, and all traffic citations up 20%. CHP patrols have been stepped up on Highway 65 and many \$140 citations have been issued for non-compliance in the daylight headlight zone. CalTrans estimates the Highway 65 safety project will be complete by 5/1/07, weather permitting. Regarding requested placement of a traffic monitoring device at West Sunset and Amoruso, Mr. Williams advised the resident call 916 663-3344.

**D. Western Placer Unified School District:** No report. Ms. Pereira noted Superintendent Scott Leaman is scheduled to attend the February MAC meeting.

**7. INFORMATION/ NON-ACTION ITEMS:**

None.

**8. ACTION ITEMS:**

**A. Renaming of Highway 65 (portions that fall within the county area)**

Rick Eiri, Placer County Community Development Resource Agency, Engineering and Survey Division, noted the Highway 65 Bypass Project is expected to be under construction between 2008-2013, with the renaming of relinquished portions to take place at that time. The City of Lincoln has named the portion of Highway 65 to be relinquished within the city limits as "Lincoln Boulevard". Results of ballots mailed to property owners north of the City limits to the Yuba county line confirm their preference for "Sheridan-Lincoln Boulevard." Mr. Guyan suggested keeping road names and numbering consistent to avoid problems for emergency service responses. In response to Ms. McAnally's question, Councilmember Stackpoole noted the city has begun notifying affected businesses of the name change and will work with the county and possibly CalTrans to obtain signage. MOTION Whitney/Fowler: *To support Sheridan Municipal Council.* Polling of the MAC members resulted in passage of the motion by a vote of 4-1 (McAnally opposed). The secretary was directed to draft a letter to the Board of Supervisors to communicate this recommendation.

**B. Placer County Conservation Plan (PCCP)**

Supervisor Robert Weygandt and Loren Clark, Placer County Community Development Department, offered a presentation on the proposed Placer County Preservation Plan to preserve more than 50,000 acres in western Placer County. The Board of Supervisors will consider the plan at the 1/23 meeting. Ms. Pereira noted the meeting can be followed live on the web or by telephone at 530-889-4010. The staff report will be available 1/12/07 at [www.placer.ca.gov/communitydevelopment/planning/PCCP.aspx](http://www.placer.ca.gov/communitydevelopment/planning/PCCP.aspx). Several map alternatives have been considered to set boundaries for land to be preserved and areas available for development, with only four maps believed capable of obtaining the appropriate permits. The plan must comply with the Endangered Species Act. The plan's goals include providing regulatory criteria affecting vernal pools for 50 years. It would promote governmental efficiency between local, state and federal agencies, with reduction or elimination of bureaucratic redundancy and improved conservation for sensitive resources. Mr. Fowler noted he has been a member of the advisory board for five years and believes all stakeholders have worked toward a compromise. MOTION McAnally/Lefty: *Recommend the Board of Supervisors proceed and move forward with the Placer County Conservation Plan work program.* The motion passed by a unanimous vote (5-0).

**9. MAC COMMITTEE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTS:**

A. Traffic & Public Safety: Mr. Whitney reported N. Dowd Road is open following repairs to the bridge.

B. Schools & Parks: Ms. McAnally noted she would like feedback from citizens regarding usage at the new Hidden Falls Regional Park. Ms. Bachman reported she and her grandchildren had enjoyed the park during Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks.

C. Land Use: See 9F.

D. Health Issues: No report.

E. City of Lincoln: Newly-elected Councilmember Linda Stackpoole reported the City Council has awarded a contract for Phase 2 of the McBean Park Pool bathroom and locker restoration. The project should be complete by 5/1/07. A new fire station is under construction at Highway 193 and East Avenue on the site of the old city corporation yard. A second City Council and Planning Commission joint meeting was held 1/20/07 regarding the General Plan Update, with at least two additional joint meetings scheduled. In March the council hopes to approve environmental documents for the 43 acre Foskett Ranch Regional Park project, and four parks are planned for the Lincoln Crossing area. Work is moving forward on the new 4-story City Hall/Western Placer Unified School District building at 6<sup>th</sup> and F Streets. The city plans to keep the current city hall building at 640 5<sup>th</sup> Street when the move is complete. Property at 7<sup>th</sup> at Gladding McBean is planned to eventually house the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, Lincoln Arts and a museum.

F. County of Placer: Ms. Pereira noted most landuse proposals are working through the environmental review process (Cemex, Placer Ranch University, Regional University and Community, California Motocross Park). The Final EIR is out regarding the Placer Vineyards Specific Plan, with consideration by the County Planning Commission on 1/25/07. A settlement has been reached with Loomis regarding the Bickford Ranch project. There has been no movement on the Lincoln 270 annexation by the City of Lincoln.

Regarding traffic updates, Ms. Pereira reported work on the Sunset-Athens Connector Road is expected to be complete by end of February or early March. She noted no change in Sunset Blvd/Hwy 65 Interchange or Hwy 65 Bypass.

Future agenda items will include an update from the Lincoln Cemetery District in February and a report from Placer County Community Development Resources Agency (CDRA) regarding storm water runoff in March or April. WPUSD Superintendent Scott Leaman is expected to update the MAC at the February meeting.

The Board of Supervisors is expected to render a decision on purchase of a helicopter in at their meeting on 1/23.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE:**

None.

**11. ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION:**

Mr. Whitney announced a crab feed to benefit Thermal Lands will be held 2/24/07 from 6:30-11:30 p.m. at Stewart Hall in Sheridan.

**12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING:**

Due to the holiday on 2/19/07, the next regular meeting will be held **2/26/07**.

**13. ADJOURNMENT:**

The Rural Lincoln Municipal Advisory Council adjourned at 9:05 p.m.