

County of Placer  
**FORESTHILL FORUM**

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**Regular Meeting**  
**Minutes – February 1, 2016**  
**Foresthill Municipal Advisory Council**  
Foresthill Memorial Hall, Leroy E. Botts Memorial Park

**Members Present:**

Chase Dowling, Chair  
Duane Frink  
Larry Jordan  
Gail McCafferty  
Sharon Page

**County Staff Present:**

Terri Ivaldi, Board of Supervisor's Office  
Jocelyn Maddux, Field Representative, District 5  
Paula David, Contract Secretary

**Members Absent:** Sheryl Petersen

1. **CALL TO ORDER-** The regular meeting of the Forum was called to order at 7:04 PM by Chair Chase Dowling.
2. **ROLL CALL PERFORMED BY CONTRACT SECRETARY-** A quorum of the Board was present.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-** The Forum was led in the Pledge by Chair Chase Dowling.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM January 4, 2016-**

**MOTION:** Approve minutes from January as presented.  
**McCAFFERTY/ FRINK UNANIMOUS 5-0**

5. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 1, 2016-**

**MOTION:** Approve Agenda as presented.  
**FRINK/ McCafferty UNANIMOUS 5-0**

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT-** Margene Straper, Community Garden Task Force, handed out a survey to fill out, announced their first class to be held this Saturday, on pruning.

7. **FORUM MEMBER COMMENTS**

- Gail McCafferty mentioned the lane striping on the Foresthill Bridge is hard to see; real estate and other signs are accumulating along Foresthill Road.
- Duane Frink asked if there was any action taken by the Board of Supervisors on the dead/diseased trees; he suggests something be done now regarding grass growing in the right of way near the road as deer feeding there can be a danger.

8. **COUNTY UPDATE—**Jocelyn Maddux reported:

- Jennifer Montgomery is stuck in her home in Serene Lakes due to the flooding there;
- Teri Ivaldi is here tonight to observe the first presentation to the MACs of the Medical Marijuana Draft Ordinance;
- The stove and hood in the Hall kitchen will be replaced soon, but is operational;
- In response to a request, the dumpster in the next door parking lot has been moved to the back.

## 9. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS—

### A. Placer County Sheriff's Department: Deputy Tom Orsolini reported:

- Deputies Bumpass and McNama have retired, shifts and personnel have been moved around to accommodate;
- 267 calls last month, 6 priority one and 29 priority two, with 40 crime incident reports;
- Deputy Stan Semenuk was introduced, with prior experience in Sacramento and Roseville Police Departments, he speaks fluent Russian and Ukranian.

### B. CHP: No report

### C. Foresthill Fire Protection District/Fire Safe Council: Ian Gow reported the name of the Property Preservation Officer at Wells Fargo Bank who would be in charge of removing the burned remains of the house in town. They were able to put out a chimney fire in Todd Valley prior to it doing extensive damage to the house. Board President Chris Reams spoke on budgetary items. Gary Kirk, Fire Safe Council Chair, reported Eagle Crest has been recognized as a FireWise Community, Trail Head is working on theirs. Middle Fork dollars are targeted to a project in the Michigan Bluff area.

### D. USFS: Victor Lyon, District Ranger, reported they have received a small grant to begin addressing approximately 3,000 acres of dead and dying trees, mostly near the Sugar Pine area. They will be starting work this fall to sell trees in the fire areas. Sugar Pine Reservoir is currently spilling. They will be looking into expanding the parking lot and picnic facilities at China Wall.

## 10. COMMUNITY REPORTS—

### A. Foresthill Chamber of Commerce: Debbie Sanchez, 2016 Chamber President, mentioned their upcoming dinner meeting this Thursday. They have changed the name of the Heritage Celebration to "Heritage Festival", and are looking for volunteers from the community to help.

### B. Foresthill PUD: Neil Cochran reported Sugar Pine is now spilling, and there has been approximately 76% of normal annual precipitation already accumulated. The storage tank project should be online by this fall.

### C. Bioenergy Meetings Update: This line can be removed from the agenda.

## 11. INFORMATION-NON ACTION—None

## 12. ACTION ITEMS—Proposed Medical Marijuana Ordinance: Josh Huntsinger, Placer County Agricultural Commissioner, and Becky Riggin, Deputy County Executive Officer, showed a video giving an overview of the medical marijuana laws, which addressed issues such as background and previous legislation; illegal marijuana impacts; environmental impacts; prior BOS presentations; State MMRSA law; steps the BOS have taken to date; goals, and action requested from MACS. Mr. Huntsinger discussed proposals on how the MMRSA laws might be put into action in Placer County. George Rosasco was also on hand to answer questions. After discussion from the Forum members and audience, Chair

Dowling asked several members of the audience to speak on the issue, specifically a Sacramento dispensary representative and Medical Marijuana Rights Patient Advocate, and Rich Miller.

Comments from the Forum members included:

- Mr. Jordan mentioned his support of the action requested in the handout;
- Mr. Frink mentioned the framework is a good idea and expressed support of the handout items;
- Chair Dowling stated he was still unclear on the outdoor cultivation and security issues;
- Ms. Page said she would prefer to have a draft ordinance to read so she could know what she was actually voting on;
- Ms. McCafferty stated she also would like to see the ordinance first.

**MOTION:** Approve request to allow and regulate outdoor cultivation of medical marijuana, following current County setbacks, zoning and permitting regulations.

**JORDAN/ FRINK UNANIMOUS 5-0**

**MOTION:** Allow and regulate indoor cultivation of medical marijuana.

**JORDAN/ FRINK UNANIMOUS 5-0**

**MOTION:** Allow and regulate medical marijuana dispensaries.

**JORDAN/ FRINK UNANIMOUS 5-0**

**MOTION:** The medical marijuana industry should bear the cost of county expenditures regarding the regulation of medical marijuana through fees and taxes.

**JORDAN/ PAGE UNANIMOUS 5-0**

### **13. FUTURE BUSINESS, CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Forum Chair and Vice-chair elections are slated for the next meeting, March 7, 2016.

### **14. ADJOURNMENT--**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Submitted by Contract Secretary Paula David