

# County of Placer



## RURAL LINCOLN MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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### RURAL LINCOLN MAC MINUTES February 24, 2014

#### 1. Call to Order and Introduction of Members

**Members Present:** George Alves  
Joyce Bachman  
Karla McAnally  
Deirdre Lefty

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance – Lead by Mark Fowler

3. **Approval of Minutes:** January 27, 2014 Karla motioned to approve; Joyce seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved 4-0

4. **Approval of Agenda:** February 24, 2014 – George made a recommendation modify the order of the agenda by moving items 9, 10 & 11 between Information Items A & B. Joyce motioned to approve Agenda with changes. Deirdre seconded the motion. Agenda approved 4-0

#### 5. Public Comment:

Any member of the public may address the Municipal Advisory Council on any matter that is NOT listed on the agenda. Comments will normally be limited to five minutes at the discretion of the Chairperson.

Country Store will take place this Saturday, March 1, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. at the Mt. Pleasant Hall. There will be a live auction, raffle, bazaar, and games for adults and children. There will also a Tri tip sandwich dinner for \$10.00 and a hotdog dinner for \$5.00

#### 6. Public Safety and School Reports:

A. Placer County Fire (530) 277-2317 –Battalion Chief Jim Mathias –  
[jim.mathias@fire.ca.gov](mailto:jim.mathias@fire.ca.gov) –

- This is going to be a very busy fire year. So far this year there have been 609 fires in the State burning over 1200 acres.

- There have been seven vegetation fires in Placer County; of those fires was an 8.9 acre escaped control burn that was left unattended for about 15 minutes.
- It is very important to be careful on how and what you are burning.
- Remember to keep 100 feet of defensible space around your property.
- There have still been a lot of vehicle accidents but not very many injuries.
- Letters will be going out soon regarding disking your property. If you have 20 or more acres it is will be requested to maintain a firebreak.
- Cal Fire may be adding extra engines that will allow them to add additional personnel to have a four-man crew on the engines.
- The boot drive over the holiday weekend collected \$53,000. These donations are for the UC Davis Burn Unit and two camps for kids.

B. Placer County Sheriff (916) 652-2419 – Lynn Harrison –

- Residential burglary on the 4300 Block of West Wise Road
- Theft of property from an out building of the 900 Virginia Town Road.
- There was also a mountain lion spotting 5100 block of Virginia Town Road between Bridge Lane and Stonewood.

Deputy Shane Wright provided information about a new program that is being put on by the Sheriff's Department. It is a non-profit Sheriff Activity League for at risk and under privileged teens. Ages from 9 – 17 years of age. A few fundraisers coming up. One is a golf tournament in September. Their website will be up within the next month or so. Pliers will also be available soon.

C. CA Highway Patrol – (916) 663-3344 – Dave Martinez – “No Report”

D. WPUSD – “No Report”

E. Greater Lincoln Fire Safe Council –

- They meet the first Thursday of each month at Paige Station on Nicolaus Road.
- Letters going out regarding disking your property and the chipping program.
- They are trying to get more people involved.

**7. MAC Committee & Local Government Reports:**

A. Traffic & Public Safety – George Alves and Joyce Bachman –

George advised that they will be realigning these reports once we have a full MAC Board. He added that he will be reporting on behalf of the Placer County Fire Safe Alliance for which he is the Chair.

B. Schools & Parks – Karla McAnally /Joyce Bachman – “No Report”

C. Land Use – Karla McAnally, Deirdre Lefty – “No Report”

D. Health Issues – Deirdre Lefty – “No Report”

E. City of Lincoln, Mayor Gabriel Hydrick – “No Report”

F. Placer County – Jennifer Merino/Lyndell Grey

- Statewide primary election is June 3, 2014. The last day to register to vote is May 19, 2014. The Office of Elections is located at 2952 Richardson Drive in Auburn.
- Supervisor Weygandt’s term is growing to a closer and he had not yet decided if he was going to run for re-election.
- There have been reports of high levels of mercury in our fish found in Rollins Lake, Folsom Lake and Camp Far West Lake. This does not create a swimming hazard.

**8. Correspondence:** “None”

**9. Announcements & Information:**

**10. Information/Non-Action Item:**

**A. Drought Update:**

On February 6, 2014 the Directors of the Placer County Water Agency have declared a drought emergency condition in western Placer County and outlined several steps that may be necessary to stretch limited water supplies.

The driest year on record is 1977. This season is coming close to tie or surpass this record. Prior to the February storm rain totals for the season was only 5.8 inches. After the storm that total increased to 11.4 inches.

The region’s watersheds are now about halfway through the normal rainfall season. There is basically no snowpack and weather forecasters are not suggesting any significant departure from current dry conditions.

Most agency customers are normally supplied with water from the Yuba and Bear River watersheds that is delivered to PCWA by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

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PG&E contract is 125,400 AF (normal delivery is 110,400AF project delivery for 2014 is 110,400. PG&E’s allocation before the recent storm was 39% and after the storm increased to 49%

In addition to PCWA there are other water agency systems in the area including NID; SJWD and Roseville.

The year-to-year comparison is there would be an estimated supply shortfall of

1,400 AF.

Current planning is aimed at achieving a 25 percent reduction in indoor water use and 50 percent reduction in outside water use by all customers, with exceptions being studied for outdoor commercial uses.

The water agency is facing increased costs of dry year operation, including electrical pumping charges for backup water supplies from the American River, while facing

Revenue reductions from reduced levels of water sales. Revenue reductions were projected at \$1.5 million to \$4.2 million while increased expenses were estimated at \$1.5 million to \$4 million.

Anticipated demand reductions:

Treated water: indoor water use (shorter showers, optimal use of appliances)

Outdoor water use (2 to 3 days per week)

Canal Water: Reduce service connection along canal

Rotating canal outages may be determined necessary

Zone 5 (West Placer) under evaluation

Appeals procedure for cases of hardship

Question was asked about tapping into wells. Who monitors this? Answer: all agencies.

Has water table in ground been tracked? Nothing currently but the water tables are read every Spring and Fall.

Will rice farmers be limited? Yes with a cost increase.

Information on PCWA board meetings may be obtained through the Clerk to the Board at (530) 823-4850 or (800) 464-0030. The PCWA website, [www.pcwa.net](http://www.pcwa.net) now offers a Drought Update link with many water saving actions that customers can take to help do their part.

**B. Honoring Mark Fowler:**

- Supervisor Robert Weygandt gave a farewell speech to his friend of many years and honoring him with a Plaque of various accomplishments. The Board of Supervisors will be presented Mark with a special coin at the next Board of Supervisors meeting.
- George Alves appreciated working with Mark and says that he has big shoes to fill and that he will do his best to fill them.
- Karla McAnally congratulated Mark on his retirement and said that it has been a pleasure working with him.

- Joyce thanked Mark for teaching his two children and three grandchildren.
- Deirdre Left is honored to have sat next to Mark over the years and wished him well.
- Warren Bostick thanked Mark and stated that it has been a pleasure serving with. He also read a letter from his Bradley Bostick congratulating Mark.
- Mark Fowler Scholarship fund is being set up
- Former students spoke about how they enjoyed Mark being their teacher

**11. Action Item: N/A**

**12. Next Regular Meeting: March 17, 2014**

**13. Adjournment – Reception for Mark Fowler**