



MINUTES OF THE MONDAY, July 10, 2017 REGULAR MEETING

Foresthill Veterans Memorial Hall, Leroy E. Botts Memorial Park
24601 Harrison Street, Foresthill, CA 95631

1. **Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance:** 7:01Pm
2. **Welcome & Introduction of Members:** PRESENT: Chair Michael Whittle, Vice Chair Gail McCafferty, Chase Dowling, Duane Frink, Sharon Page, Susan MacIntosh ABSENT: Larry Jordan
3. **Approval of July 10, 2017 Agenda & June 5, 2017 Minutes**
MOTION: Frink /Page 6/0 (Absent: Jordan) Approve Agenda as presented.
AYES: Whittle, McCafferty, Dowling, Frink, Page, MacIntosh
ABSENT: Jordan
4. MOTION: Dowling/Page 6/0 (Absent: Jordan) Approve Minutes with changes to Forum comments #2 "Lack of sidewalks and safe walk ways on Foresthill road."
AYES: Whittle, McCafferty, Dowling, Frink, Page, MacIntosh
ABSENT: Jordan
5. **Public Comment:**
 1. Scott Husmann – a member of the Placer County Fish and Game Commission spoke regarding what the commission is and does, some of the things the commission had done recently and who attends and speaks at the commission meetings he invited everyone to the meetings held on the 4th Wednesday of every month at 6pm at the Placer county Agriculture departments office.
 2. Robert Young – gave a brief FYI about I-80 being closed both ways to traffic at the state line.
 3. Jeff Turpin – Spoke regarding what he had brought up last month reiterating that the trees in the park are a major safety issue that needs to be addressed. He was seeking any updated information from the county and forum on how soon the issue could be rectified He was asked about when trees are most likely to fall and he briefly described when and why it happens.
6. **Forum Member Comments:**
 1. Sharon Page – Saturday July 15th 10-2 there is a Community Garden Event flyers are available everyone please come out.
 2. Duane Frink – Thanked the maintenance department for the upkeep and maintenance along the Road. He also inquired about whether or not there was any clarification on the safety of the walkways, paths and non existing paths along foresthill road.
 3. Michael Whittle – Spoke about the Fire wise community day that Monte Verde estates put on July 1st. Monte Verde estates won a grant worth \$500 from State farm and there were several people who attended including a representative from USAA Insurance and Mr. Whittle was able to learn some great information from him. If anyone is interested in becoming a fire wise community speak to Luana Dowling or Michael Whittle for more information.

7. Reports:

A. Public Safety

a) **Placer County Sheriff's Department:** Not in attendance

b) **CHP:** Presenter: Officer Merchant – Spoke regarding the ongoing concerns of speed emphasizing that the department knows about these concerns and that they will be addressed soon. He was asked about the Tevis cup and the many issues with that event. He was unable to comment on some of the questions as those were above his level to address. He also spoke regarding the frequency of patrol on Foresthill road

c) **Foresthill Fire Protection District** Presenter: Fire Chief Kirk Kushen – Gave a brief background of himself and an introduction as the New Fire Chief. There were 3 significant incidents for the last month. One Structure fire that went into the wildlands but was kept to about a half-acre. He credited our fire department and their quick response with being able to keep that from getting to be a much larger incident. The second incident was a vehicle over the side of the roadway on Mosquito ridge road. There was a hiker in distress off of humbug ridge on the 4th of July. There was a total of 75 calls 65% were medical. He reminded the community of the Fire department garage sale coming up August 5th and also to Vote on the Ballot Measure. He gave a bit of a schedule update for the next month or so as he is getting settled in.

Fire Safe Council Not in attendance

d) **U.S. Forest Service:** Presenter: Victor Lyon – Spoke regarding logging trucks on the Foresthill divide and mosquito ridge road. For the next few weeks cattle will be on the roadways near big trees. There are no more prescribed burns for the summer so if you see smoke call. Fire restrictions have not yet gone into effect but expect them to be coming. Mumford bar trails is now open as well as most roads however there is still a lot of work to be done. Cold water rescue continues to be an issue. Please use caution. Pickune Valley is open but please take a buddy and be careful crossing the rivers to get there. The western states trail ride is looking at alternative routes due to the snow still up high.

B. Local Government Presenter: Placer County Representative Jocelyn Maddux – Gave a brief update as she had been gone and was still catching up but so far it's been fairly quiet. Heritage days are coming up. The Board of Supervisors meeting is tomorrow. The county is adopting a mental health funding strategy so please listen in to the meeting to hear more about that.

C. Committees & Community:

a) **Parks and Trails Subcommittee:** Presenter: Gail McCafferty – Stated that right now their priority is the tree removal at the Veterans Memorial Hall. She also spoke about the baseball field bleachers and backstops. She questioned Jocelyn Maddux about a funding Clarification regarding benches that had been put in and will follow up with Lisa.

b) **Foresthill Chamber of Commerce:** Presenter: John Peters – Spoke regarding the 4th of July festivities. There were a lot of people music and positive feedback. A majority of the vendors expressed interest in returning for the Heritage festival. There will be a Mixer outside at the park August 3rd at 6:00pm \$13 for Pre-Registration \$15 after. August 13th is the Car Show in the park at 11:00am. All information is available on the Chambers website or you can call the office as well.

- c) **Foresthill PUD:** Presenter: Neil Cochran - Spoke about the New Storage tank going online last month making it so that there is now two times as much water available now than in the past. The larger tank helps purify the water because of the size as well as some other benefits. The PUD is also working on acquiring land from Placer County to place more storage tanks closer to Todd Valley. The report from the Sugar pine Dam came back and it is safe and working. However at the same time they also received a demand letter from the State Water board requiring a much more extensive inspection. He spoke about what that inspection requires and said that during their budget meeting they made sure to allot \$100,000 towards anything that may come up with those results however he stated that they are very confident about the structure and safety of the dam.

10. Action Item(s):

- A. Intersection Control at McKeon Ponderosa Way and Bradley Way:** The Department of Public Works and Facilities will present traffic control options for the intersection of McKeon Ponderosa Way and Bradley Way. The Department will be seeking action from the Forum on a desired option for implementation. **Presenter: Ken Grehm, Director of Public Works & Facilities**

MOTION: McCafferty/Dowling 4/1 (Absent: Jordan) The Forum requests a stop sign on Bradley way only, with a stop ahead warning sign.

AYES: Whittle, Dowling, Page, McCafferty

NO: Frink

ABSTAIN: MacIntosh

ABSENT: Jordan

11. Information Item(s):

- A. PCWA Sediment Removal Project:** **Presenter:** Jay L'Estrange, P.E. Director of Power Generation Services, Placer County Water Agency - PCWA discussed their recent sediment removal project from the Rubicon River at Ralston Powerhouse and gave an update on what projects had been happening on the 20 acres they own in town. He also answered questions from the forum and community members in attendance.

- 12. Adjournment:** 8:39 PM. Next regular meeting on August 7, 2017 at Foresthill Veterans Memorial Hall, Leroy E. Botts Memorial Park, 24601 Harrison Street, Foresthill, CA 95631.