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Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 14, 2017
4:00 pm ~ 1469 East Valley Road

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Present: Abatemarco, Babich, Bridley, Budgor, Eagleton, Eidelson, Hayman, Hyatt, Kay, King, Kolb, Mathews, Nagel, Saltoun, van Duinwyk
Absent: Blue, Ghersen

I. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

II. Public Comment for Items Not on Agenda

Rick Lemmo, Vice President Community Relations of Caruso Affiliates reported that the Rosewood Miramar Beach Montecito project is on schedule with a May/June 2018 completion date. Site grading has been completed and foundation work has begun.

Mike Yamaski, Executive Director, Montecito Family YMCA, reported that they plan to present their revised project to the Land Use Committee in April.

Charles Newman, Montecito Planning Commission, let the Board know that he will attend meetings but cannot participate as a Commissioner.

Dorinne Johnson provided that the owner of the historic Moody Cottage on 120 Middle Road is willing to assist with its transport and relocation. Interested parties should call the contractor at (805) 729-3313.

III. Approval of Minutes - February 14, 2016

MSC Eagleton/King, unanimous (Budgor abstained).

IV. Community Reports

Nick Turner, General Manager, Montecito Water District, reported that negotiations for shared desalination with the City of Santa Barbara will move forward when the District is in agreement with Phase I and will be discussed further at their March 21, 2017 board meeting. Workshops are being held on the Sustainable Ground Water Management Act and the district hopes to create an advisory committee. The district's Cachuma allocation is now 40% of normal and State Water Project deliveries are at 60% and may increase to 80-90% of normal. Capital projects are proceeding and the district will be reviewing the current allocations and related penalties.

Dr. Price, Superintendent, Cold Spring School, reported that the school is focused on a May new hire timeline for Superintendent. Enrollment has slightly declined but is holding steady.

Tammy Murphy, Superintendent, Montecito Union School, said that the the school plans to announce a Superintendent new hire on April 8th.

Chief Hickman, Montecito Fire Protection District, introduced Maeve Juarez, Wildland Fire Specialist, who spoke about controlled permit pile burning. Permits are issued from the District headquarters January through May and are weather dependent. Residents are encouraged to continue fire abatement as dry weather approaches.

Diane Gabriel, General Manager, Montecito Sanitary District reported that Ashley and Sycamore Canyon Roads are scheduled for sewer main replacements. The sewer systems performed well and without overflow during the heavy rains. Lakes, ponds and swimming pool overflow should be drained into the ground and never into the sewer drains.

Lt. Mike Perkins, Santa Barbara County Sheriff, introduced himself and reminded the Board that with increased beach and trail use, people should be careful about leaving valuables in vehicles.

V. President's Report

Nagel thanked everyone for attending the meeting today. Everyone was thanked for their help with the membership mailing. An introductory meeting was held with First District Supervisor Williams and we plan to meet every month. Suggestions for topics of conversation are encouraged.

VI. Conference Agenda

A. Consider Comments to the Montecito Planning Commission Regarding the Proposed Accessory Dwelling Units Ordinance Amendment

Greene provided a description of the current state and local ordinance provisions governing second units. The Montecito Planning Commission (MPC) is considering local ordinance language. The Committee received a presentation on this issue and drafted a letter to the MPC. The Board had a general discussion on the contents of the draft letter. Kolb requested that the letter invite County staff to clearly define that a structure that is “similar” to a guest house is one that can accommodate overnight stays. It was agreed this would be added to the letter. Kolb formed a motion to approve the letter with the agreed upon changes. MSC Kolb/King 13-1 (Budgor opposed).

B. Consider Comments to the Board of Supervisors Regarding the Short Term Rental Ordinance

Hayman provided background. Hayman motioned to adopt the draft letter endorsing the Kathleen Weinheimer letter on Short Term Rentals. MSC Hayman/van Duinwyk, unanimous.

C. Consider the Appointment of Dorinne Lee Johnson to the Land Use Committee

Nagel introduced and proposed appointment of Dorinne Lee Johnson to the Land Use Committee. MSC Abatemarco, unanimous.

VII. Committee Reports

Events – King reported that planning for the 4th of July Celebration is in progress.

History - Kolb reported that they are looking into automating portions of the archive. Their computer backup process will be reviewed.

Land Use – Hayman reported on the Committee's work with Phase II Architectural Guidelines and Planning and Development Staff responses. The Committee's letter to the Board of Supervisors on Short Term Rentals will be re-submitted.

Outreach – Babich thanked everyone for their help with the membership mailing and outreach. She and Eidelson attended a Coast Village Road Business meeting. Their Committee met and discussed membership incentives. Abatamarco, Bridley, Greene and Hayman will meet with the goal of organizing informational forums.

Transportation - Budgor reported that in addition to the Committee's letter of comment, several other similar letters of comment were received by Caltrans regarding the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Hwy 101 expansion project. A public meeting to summarize these concerns will be held March 16, 2017 at Santa Barbara County Public Works at 1:00 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

VIII. Executive Director's Report

Greene reminded the Board to renew their membership. Provided an update on San Luis Obispo County Supervisor's denial of appeal for the proposed Phillips 66 Rail Spur Extension Project. The Association has previously commented on this project. Greene announced that the parking lot at 1469 East Valley Road will be closed during planned resurfacing on March 20th and 21st. She is looking into alternate email programs to accommodate membership emails.

IX. New Business ~ Nothing to report.

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XI. Adjournment ~ The meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 11, 2017, 4 p.m.

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