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# Board Meeting Tuesday, September 11, 2018 4:00 pm ~ 1469 East Valley Road

# **UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

**Present:** Blue, Ghersen, Hayman, Hyatt, Kemp, Mathews, Nagel, Pattillo, Rosen, Saltoun, Stahl, van Duinwyk ~ **Absent:** Abatemarco, Bianchi, King, Orloff, Waldinger

- I. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum ~ CTO at 4:00 p.m.
- **II. Approval of Minutes** ~ August 14, 2018

MSC Blue/Ghersen, unanimous (Hayman abstained)

### III. Public Comment for Items Not on Agenda

Ken Coates encouraged support for the slate of candidates calling themselves the "Montecito Water Security Team". Ken Coates, Brian Goebel, Cori Hayman for the Montecito Water District. And Woody Barrett and Dana Newquist for the Sanitary District.

Gabriella Klein, CA Hope 805, part of the Community Wellness Team operating out of the Montecito Center for Preparedness, Recovery and Rebuilding, reported that they continue to provide post disaster services which are free and anonymous.

Steven Beck thanked the Montecito Association for hosting the Community Informational Forum on Governance Options for Montecito, September 10, 2018. Suggested the Montecito Association continue to gather expert information.

Woody Barrett introduced himself as part of the Montecito Water Security Team and candidate for the Montecito Sanitary District.

#### IV. Community Reports

Anthony Ranii, Superintendent, Montecito Union School, the school is honored to host community events like the forum and "805 Sings!" a community sing along, October 8, 2018 at 5pm. Residents are encouraged to research Proposition 5.

Dr. Alzina, Superintendent, Cold Spring School, Math and English language scores are up. Grant money has been approved and will fund counseling, teaching positions and staff. Additional funding is expected next year.

Nick Turner, General Manager, Montecito Water District, four highline and four bridge pipelines are near completion. Smart meter infrastructure conversion by early 2019. Recycled water feasibility discussions continue. Desalinization negotiations continue.

Chief Hickman, Montecito Fire Protection District, staff and equipment deployed to the Shasta incident. The United States Postal Service chose Station 1 for the unveiling of a first responder stamp. Parking and shuttle service from Lower Manning Park, September 14, 11am. Ashley Road bridge will be opened for ingress/egress on red flag days and during evacuations.

Diane Gabriel, General Manager, Montecito Sanitary District, a new sewer main project, funded by property owners will start in October for the Olive Mill, E.Valley and Tollis Road area. An approved resolution clarifies the District's roll to collect, treat and dispose and not purvey water unless granted by the Montecito Water District.

George Isaac, Montecito Community Foundation invited everyone to the September 20, 2018 debris flow memorial plaque unveiling, September 20, 2018, 5:30pm, corner of East Valley and San Ysidro Roads.

#### V. President's Reports

Nagel asked everyone to take a moment in memory of September 11, 2001. Expressed gratitude for Sharon Byrne who started as Executive Director on September 4, 2018. Nagel thanked Blue and van Duinwyk for their efforts to plan and organize the Community Informational Forum.

### VI. Conference Agenda

A. Recent Criminal Activity in Montecito

Lt. Brian Thielst, Santa Barbara Sheriff reported on four recent incidents involving criminals from out of town. Always contact the Sheriff with concerns, non-emergency, 24/7 dispatch (805) 683-2724. Fire Chief Hickman advised to be aware of a phone scam soliciting money for the "Laguna Hills Fire Department" which does not exist.

### B. Partnership for Resilient Communities

Pat McElroy provided that they are evaluating netting placement and permit process for five active drainage debris basin locations and Buena Vista which does not have a basin. Netting is cost effective at about two hundred thousand compared to about twenty five million to create a new basin. They have raised about two million with a goal of over five million and are working with County entities. https://partnershipsb.org/

C. Memorial Sign Concept-Montecito Fire Protection District

Chief Hickman presented conceptual review of an address identifying memorial boulder for Station 1. The Montecito Association unanimously approved with one abstention from van Duinwyk,

#### VII. Committee Reports

Events-Houghton reported that planning is on track for the November 3, 2018 Beautification Day.

*Transportation*-Ghersen reported on the Olive Mill bridge construction and that damaged road areas might not be repaired until rebuild construction has slowed. October 2, 2018, the Land Use and Transportation Committees will receive a presentation from Caltrans and the Design Review Team on the Hwy 101 expansion.

Land Use-Hayman provided an update on the Hwy 101 DRT in regards to the HOV expansion project, from Carpinteria to Sheffield. Hayman also provided an update on the status of the short-term rental ordinance in the Coastal Zone. The Board of Supervisors rejected the recommendation by the Montecito Association to limit short-term rentals in the Coastal Zone to properties south of Hwy 101 and east of Olive Mill; instead, the Board of Supervisors limited all short-term rentals to only those that had existing TOT certificates as of September 2017; the rest would be banned. The proposed revised ordinance may return to the Planning Commissions; it will return to the Coastal Commission and the Board of Supervisors for final rule-making.

*Outreach* –Saltoun reported that Orloff's motivating efforts and the Board's personalization of membership appeal letters has improved membership levels. Saltoun thanked everyone for their help.

History-No report.

### VIII. Treasurer's Report

Saltoun reported on revenues twenty-four percent higher than last year this time and thanked everyone for their efforts.

## IX. Executive Director's Report

Byrne reported that the community forum was video recorded and will be posted online. Priorities are to update and increase membership, provide relevant communications, survey the community and update the office appearance and functionality.

- **X.** New Business / Old Business ~ Nothing to report.
- **XI.** Adjournment ~ The meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 9, 2018, 4 p.m.