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Board Meeting

December 13, 2016, 4:00 pm
1469 East Valley Road

APPROVED MINUTES

Present: Abatemarco, Babich, Blalock, Blue, Budgor, Davis, Eagleton, Eidelson, Ghersen, Hayman, King, Kolb, Mathews, Nagel, Saltoun, van Duinwyk ~ **Absent:** Schleck

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I. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.

II. Public Comment for Items Not on Agenda

Richard Nordlund expressed concern on YMCA expansion catering to non-regional use and traffic. Tim Werner contested this and provided letters in support of the project. County Parks voted against a long-term parking lease at Manning Park.

Charles Newman announced his application for appointment to the Montecito Planning Commission.

Sue Ziliotto, President of MERRAG reported that their annual meeting was on aerial firefighting and how airborne drones hamper those efforts. Next month's training is on "Disaster Preparedness".

III. Approval of Minutes ~ November 8, 2016

MSC Blue/Ghersen, unanimous.

IV. Community Reports

Tammy Murphy, Superintendent of Montecito Union School reported that they are addressing traffic right-of-way improvements and costs. She announced that she will be leaving for a new position in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. Tammy was thanked and applauded for her work.

Diane Gabriel, General Manager of Montecito Sanitary District introduced the new Engineering Manager, Carrie Poytress. Work continues on the design and construction of the sewer main to serve Miramar. The District has a new informational brochure. Seventy of seventy-eight lines have been cleaned.

V. President's Report

The Transportation Committee attended a December 2, 2016 Santa Barbara County Public Works meeting to review the Intersection Control Evaluation study for the San Ysidro Road interchange.

VI. Conference Agenda

A. Presentation regarding Special Districts

Jeff Moorhouse, Representative for the local Chapter of California Special Districts Association provided background on local special districts.

There are three special districts that serve Montecito; Montecito Fire Protection District, Montecito Water District and Montecito Sanitary District. The California Special Districts website at: www.csda.net has additional information and maps of all of the special districts.

B. *Consider comments to the Board of Supervisors regarding follow-up to the proposed ordinance on Short Term Rentals*

The County Board of Supervisors met on December 6, 2016 to consider the proposed ordinance banning Short-Term Rentals. The BOS voted 4-1 to direct Planning & Development to obtain additional information on vacancy rates, home and farm-stays, coastal zoning overlay areas, Coastal Commission interpretations and enforcement resources. The Committee is proposing a draft letter on these issues for the Board of Supervisors. Kolb asked that the Board consider the definition of "home stay", and that an overlay for the Miramar corridor might bring equal protection issues. Suggests the County consider a Conditional Use Permit option. It was suggested that the community be polled prior to sending the letter. Tim Werner, in support of the ban, pointed out that these rentals are often not legal dwellings, in compliance with the American Disabilities Act or carrying proper insurance. A motion was formed to support the letter as drafted. MSC Mathews/van Duinwyk, Kolb opposed, Ghersen abstained.

VII. Committee Reports

Beautification - Ghersen described the Tree Decorating event at Upper Manning Park on December 12, 2016. Davis stated that it's the intent of the Committee to purchase ornaments and lighting for next year.

History - Davis provided a year-in-review. Recognition for volunteers and accomplishments for the year which include remodel and signage improvements, preservation and research efforts, tours and speakers program, advocacy, publications & film, researching new computer program and designing an informational pamphlet and assisting in finding a home for the Middle Road Moody cottage.

Land Use - December meeting cancelled due to the Board of Supervisor's hearing.

Membership-Saltoun reported that November membership numbers are strong. Members will receive an annual meeting notice. Membership outreach continues and has made a difference.

Transportation-Public hearing at Chase Palm Park on December 15, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. for information on the Draft EIR for the 101 HOV Lanes Project. The committee attended a December 2, 2016 meeting with County Public Works to review the Intersection Control Evaluation study for the SanYsidro Road interchange.

VIII. Treasurer's Report - Nothing to report.

IX. Executive Director's Report

Greene thanked Robles for covering the office in her absence. There will be a public hearing December 15, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at Chase Palm Park to review the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the South Coast 101 HOV Lanes project. Public comment deadline is January 31, 2017 and is limited to the chapters and portions which have been revised and re-circulated. The South Coast 101 HOV Draft EIR is available from a link on the Association's website and at the library. The Board should consider if they want to provide comments specific to Montecito impacts. The Transportation Committee will review and discuss comments on the DEIR. The January 10, 2017 Annual Meeting notice has been sent to membership. Ballots will be counted on December 15, 2016 with election results reported at the Annual meeting and new Directors seated at the meeting following the annual meeting.

X. New Business ~ Nothing to report

XI. Old Business ~ Nothing to report.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: Annual Meeting - Tuesday, January 10, 2017, 4 p.m. N:\MA Documents\Board\Board 2016\Board Meetings\