

## **“Antelope Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee Minutes” 09-06-2018**

Members Present: Mike Curti, Chair; Patti Hamic-Christensen, Vice Chair; Arden Gerbig; Bruce Woodworth; Johnny Vannoy; Ned Welsh; Roger Donahue; Don Morris; Orval Mosby; and Debbie Bush.

Others Attending: Jan Cutts, Humbolt-Toiyabe Forest; Leslie Chapman, Mono CAO; John Schuler, PIO Boot Fire; Georgette Noble; Debbie Harrison; Bobbie Guterl; Chris Davis; Karen Davis; Marye Roeser; Lou Roeser; Kerry Roeser; Lori Morris; John Newman; Glenda Sherer; Nancy Boardman; and Mike White.

Unanimous approval of August 2018 Minutes – motion by Hamic-Christensen/Bush.

### Public Comment

Lou Roeser - opposed cannabis farm on 324 N. River Ln. Read a draft letter to the Board of Supervisors citing traffic, commercial incompatibility with rural nature, potential water pollution in the agricultural ditches, He is collecting signatures. Mike White asks to put it on the next agenda.

Mosby announced -- Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> Lions Club BBQ and Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. Community Cleanup at Cemetery 9-12.

Woodworth announced the next Mountain Gate Park work party date for Oct. 27, Sat. 9-12.

Patti Hamic-Christensen described her attendance at the Board of Supervisors’ hearing on the Antelope Valley proposed community projects: Senior Center parking (from State road funding-2019 financing) and tennis court improvements. Next workshop for projects will be Oct. 2 per Leslie Chapman. Noble and Christianson will attend.

Boot Fire: Fire type 2 leadership group coming in. John Schuler, Public Information Officer (PIO) at meeting. Economic impact of Highway 395 closure acknowledged. 6700 acres currently, 3% containment. Expanding into Devils Gate. Marine Center is already evacuated except skeletal crew. Pack Station is closed as well as all campgrounds. 400 fire personnel on fire with more arriving. **“Inciweb”** on the web for fire information.

Recommendations from the RPAC and public: Notice to folks using Highway 89. Re-sign at Topaz Lodge for detour for fire. As for contributions, fire command does not need them – they are well supplied. Money is welcome, as well as hand crafted signs of thanks to the fire fighters. Fire Cause – human, not lightning etc. Vannoy opposed use of back-firing. Mike White noted that hoses were left at the Topaz Lodge fire last year. Ranger Cutts will check on the need for a permit to take downed wood in the fire area. She praised Community present and RPAC for input on strategic communication sites suggestion as invaluable.

ATV Jamboree Sept. 11-15.

Curti commented that a YES on E in the coming November election will allow the Antelope Valley Fire Department to add personnel coverage, and supplement water storage which will

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lower insurance rates and provide added safety to the community. Proposal authorizes a \$10/month fee/parcel to pay for it, which is the same amount as the State fire fee just ending.

Items for subsequent RPAC agenda:

Proposed Fire Safe Council. Hamic-Christensen & Noble would serve on board. Grants are more readily available with a Council.

Traveler Refuse Collection unanimously tabled for next available RPAC meeting – motion Bush/Welsh.

Revisiting Previous RPAC Decisions – tabled indefinitely. Unanimous.

Fire Suppression with back-firing in the Forest.

Cannabis operations on/near N. River Ln.

Adjourned

Respectfully, Bruce Woodworth