

## Avila Valley Advisory Council Meeting Minutes - October 13, 2014

- 1) Call to Order - Chairperson Jim Hartig called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Roll was taken: Anne Brown and Lynn Helenius were excused; Mary Matakovich is substituting for Anne/Lynn; Bill Tickell was not present; there is an opening for a Squire Canyon representative.
  - 2) Approval of September 8th Meeting Minutes - Motion was made and seconded (Danoff/Hartzell) to amend the minutes: #7 Old Business: replace Avila sub-committee with Avila Beach Committee reported that this item is scheduled for the SRB before it was reviewed ...in the March 27, 2014 Committee meeting;  
replace "sub-committee" with Avila Beach Committee. Motion carried with Ken Thompson abstaining.
  - 3) Chair's Comments – Chairperson Hartig complimented Bob Pusanik and Karla Bittner for archiving the AVAC minutes from 2003 on, a monumental task that is well appreciated. They have been added to the website under "Archived Minutes." Chairperson Hartig also noted the successful Avila Beach Bird Sanctuary Ribbon-Cutting Event on September 20 and acknowledged the first Community Foundation's Apple Festival on October 4-5. These were two great events for the community of Avila Beach.
  - 4) Public Comment - No comments were made.
  - 5) Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Julia Hartzell shared that the grant money received (\$2,000) has had \$1505.51 expenses resulting in a balance of \$494.49. (Document is attached to the file copy of the minutes.)
  - 6) County Reports
    - a) Sheriff's Department- No report
    - b) Highway Patrol - Information Officer Richard Lee introduced himself to the Council and shared stats: five traffic collisions, 2 DUIs - Sept. 13 (on First Street) and Oct. 12 (Cave Landing), accident, Road closed sign (San Luis Bay Drive) was questioned by Council member, Saul Goldberg, and the Sea-to-City Half Marathon was successfully coordinated.
    - c) Planning - Ryan Hostetter prepared a written report: " I will not be available Monday evening and I did look at your agenda and have the following comments on the items under Old Business:
      - 1) Colony lot split SUB2013-00054: This was approved by the Subdivision Review Board and the appeal period is open for two weeks from the hearing date which was Oct 6th. Any appeals would need to be submitted to our office by Oct 20 at 4:30 PM.
      - 2) Lot 69 San Luis Bay Estates: The project is on information hold and the planner Terry Wahler is working with the applicants on the process. Terry can be reached at [twahler@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:twahler@co.slo.ca.us) for specifics (or 781-5621).
- Additionally I mentioned that we are looking into a scoping meeting on the Avila Tank Farm project, but that is on hold at this time as I am requesting some additional info from Chevron before we get that scheduled so stay tuned. I will also make sure to schedule this with plenty of time so everyone will be able to get on their calendars.
- The Harbor Terrace EIR comment period closes November 13th and you can find that here at this link if you would like to take a look:  
<http://www.portsanluis.com/harbor-terrace/#environmental-studies>
- Hope you all have a safe and fun October and if there are any other questions please feel free to give me a call and/or email me."
- d) Public Works - no report
  - e) County Parks - no report
  - f) CAL Fire - Batt. Chief Paul Lee reported there were 38 calls for service with 19 as medical. He is asking for people to operate their vehicles/machines at slower speeds to prevent fires; Fire Risk

is still high; 2015 Lighthouse Vegetation Burn is set for October '15; please call in any alert observed, as this is part of the prevention program, which is very important; see a fire, call 911.

- g) County Supervisor - Adam Hill complimented the events: Avila Beach Bird Sanctuary and Apple Festival; Board of Supervisors are studying "Current Drought Conditions: Challenges and Response Plans" October 14, 1:30-4:30 PM; this drought conditions workshop with a forum open to the public with the focus on increased conservation and storage and need four years of rain to be out of the drought; State water is a back-up .Lynn Walters suggested looking into the reverse osmosis system at the Diablo Canyon Plant to work with PG&E to reclaim the water. Cherry Canyon preliminary design meetings are coming up and AVAC will be notified. Drought tolerate, natural plants will be used by CALTrans.

#### 7)Old Business

- a) Colony Lane Lot Split SUB2013-00054 - See County Reports: Planning. Sherri Danoff represented the Avila Beach Committee presented a written Appeal of SUB2013-00054 & CO14-0021 Approvals for Colony Lot 11 (See attached document on file.) Sherri Danoff requested AVAC support the appeal. This appeal identified a number of issues especially the eroding of the Avila Beach community. Motion was made and seconded (Danoff/Goldberg) to support the appeal to the Board of Supervisors. Motion carried.
- b) Lot 69 San Luis Bay Estates - Application is on hold.
- c) PG&E Seismic Report - Tom Jones presented an overview of the Diablo Canyon Advanced Seismic Studies Report (See handouts for summary.) This report has been turned into the NRC and the CPUC. Tom Jones indicated he would forward the slideshow presenting the information from his presentation for the record. (Not received as of the typing of the minutes.)

#### 8) New Business

- a) Nomination Committee for 2015 Officers - Nomination Committee 2015 will present names by the December meeting, in time for the vote in January. Committee members are: Sherri Danoff, Saul Goldberg, Mary Matakovich and Jan Taylor.

#### 9) Community Liaisons

- a) Avila Beach Civic Association - Lisa Newton indicated that the ABCA Board has acted upon Lynn Helenius' request to leave this Council, as she will soon be elected to the ABCSD. The ABCA Board elected Mary Matakovich to serve in her place and Kan San Filippo to serve as the Avila Beach alternate.

b) Avila Beach Community Foundation - Rick Cohen presented a written report in his absence. "Hello everyone. Due to a schedule conflict, it is likely I won't be back home in time for next Monday's AVAC meeting. My advance "report" to you all is.....First and foremost to thank those of you who attended last weekend's Avila Apple Festival, produced by the "Foundation". We were extremely pleased with the turnout for Saturday's dinner at the Avila Barn - roughly 380 people enjoyed a magical evening. The Barn's operators - Smith Family - were tremendous hosts and went above and beyond to make this first year event a success. Sunday's festival at the beach was very well attended, with loads of fun for adults and kids alike. The Foundation is extremely proud to have brought this wholesome, family friendly event to Avila Beach. Our non profit community organizations, local apple growers and financial sponsors were essential event partners. In my humble opinion, event coordinator Penny Burciaga of the Foundation "hit a homerun" first time out of the box. The amount of details were dizzying. October 20th is the date Foundation Trustees interview new grant applicants for the coming fiscal year, and funding decisions will be determined in early November. Requests are at an all time high, which will make the decision-making process all that more difficult in our quest to balance the needs of existing programs with those of new and emerging opportunities. That's it for now."

- c) Port San Luis - Steve McGrath presented a written report: Harbor Terrace:The draft EIR is available for public comment; see <http://www.portsanluis.com/harbor-terrace/#environmental-studies>

There will be a public meeting, led by the consultant SWCA, on October 15, in the upstairs meeting room at the harbor, beginning at 5:30. Comments will be received until November 14. Additionally, the RFP for a developer/operator for the site closed on Thursday, October 9. A review committee will be discussing and meeting with the proposers, and this will come before the Harbor Commission, hopefully before the end of the month at a special meeting - I'll let you all know.

Olde Port Inn: At a recent meeting, the Commission approved a lease extension to Leonard Cohen for five years, the maximum allowed under District Policy, and a subsequent assignment of the lease to David Whitestone, long term manager of OPI. Leonard will be concentrating his efforts in San Luis Obispo, and we wish him well, after a long relationship with Port San Luis.

Chris Dorn: The District is taking this opportunity to do extensive repairs on the pier at the site of the yet to be named restaurant that replaces Pete's Pierside.

Avila Pier:

I toured the pier with representatives of the AB Community Foundation and continue to seek grants for work on the pier, while we continue with our survey/engineering work.

Reviewing 2103/14, a few interesting numbers:

47 special event permits (weddings etc)

5 Requests for Proposals

7 Invitations for Bids

6 grants received, totaling \$492,000

188 Harbor Patrol aids to other agencies

112 rescues on the bay

75 wildlife rescues

3,506 water taxi passengers

215 boats fuelled

26 major maintenance and capital projects completed at a total cost of \$1,379,542

Looking at these numbers - I have to give a huge 'attaboy' to all the staff at the District, in every department, who do such a great job throughout the year."

d) PG&E/Diablo Canyon - Eric Daniels indicated:

1) Unit One is safely operating at full power.

2) Unit Two is off-line and undergoing a refueling outage.

3) The DCPD Seismic Study has been released. Two public open houses were conducted. A presentation of the findings in the study is scheduled to be presented to AVAC at tonight's meeting. The fact sheet on the findings was presented to the Council..

10) AVAC Committees

a) Land Use - Sherri Danoff - Public Works is working on Traffic Impact Fees. Tabled motion until January. Avila Circulation Study will take place in 2015. Parking Management Plan will be followed-up with a meeting of the business community; AVAC is looking for a community survey along with a community meeting. EIR comments are due by Nov. 15; Sherri Danoff, Mike Grantham and Mary Matakovich are working on the review to be presented at the next AVAC meeting. Motion was made and seconded (Danoff/Matakovich) to allow Lynn Helenius to serve on the Avila Beach Committee and Land Use Committee. Motion was made and seconded (Danoff/Matakovich) to request Public Works to install a permanent counter to collect data on the traffic circulation and to recommend that the ordinance be changed from collecting data from the second week in May (12, 13,14) to year-round. Motion carried.

b) Diablo - Ken Thompson shared that there are completed events: FEMA Report on Full Scope Evaluated Drill with no deficiencies, no corrective actions, no planning issues identified. There was a tour of the north access road to evaluate the roads conditions during an emergency.

c) Port - Mary Matakovich - No additional information was to present.

- d) Avila Beach - Mary Matakovich reported that the Avila Bungalows (Old Schoolhouse property) met with the Avila Beach Committee regarding its roof-top and the committee determined that their plan would be acceptable and that Planning and Building would have the final say on this change.
  - e) San Luis Bay Estates - Mike Grantham indicated that there is reorganizing going on with its Board.
  - f) See Canyon - No report
  - g) Squire Canyon - Kirk Collins thanked the County for repairing the bridge on Monte Road.
- 11) Next Meeting Date: Monday, November 10, 2014 - 7:00 PM
- 12) Adjourn