

Avila Valley Advisory Council (AVAC)

San Luis Obispo, CA

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Date 8/11/022

www.avac-avila.org

1. **Call to Order:** by the chair, Steve Benedict, for regular meeting at 6:00 PM, via Zoom
Rollcall (present): Denise Allen, Mary El Hansen, Mary Matakovich, Julia Hartzell, Sherri Danoff, Ken Thompson, Curtis Cole, Steve Benedict, Jim Hartig, Margaret Greenough, Michael Clayton.
Quorum was established.
2. **Approval of Minutes:**
Motion was made and seconded to approve minutes of the July 11, 2022. Motion carried.
3. **Chair's Comments:**
No report
4. **Public Comment:**
Katie Sturtevant representing the Avila Golf Resort reported that there will be two events this weekend.
5. **Treasurer's Report: Denise Allen reports:**
Balance of Checking Account: \$ 1951.42
Expenses: \$ 14.99 for Zoom
6. **County and Local Agency Reports:**
 - A. **Sheriff: Sgt. Hank Abbas reports**
 - 22 calls for service and one incident at the trailhead resulting in arrests.
 - B. **Highway Patrol: Lieutenant Jason Grimm reports:**
 - 5 collisions occurred in July, mostly non-injury. Hit and run occurred between two automobiles and a motorcycle.
 - Several DUIs reported, one a collision.
 - Sherri Danoff asked if there was information as to where the DUIs obtained their alcohol. Not known.
 - Denise Allen brought to the committee concerns o a tight turn in See Canyon making potential traffic hazard for large trucks. There is no ordinance on size of vehicles on that road.
 - C. **Cal Fire: Battalion Chief Paul Lee reports:**
 - There were 81 calls for service and the department is involved in managing vegetation projects.
 - Again, the Chief noted that the 4th of July was well supported, and he thanked all the public service agencies working together.

- Captain Ryan Grebe has joined the team

D. Planning: Nicole Ellis/Susan Strachan reports:

- The August 2022 project list has been updated to reflect project status updates. Where updates were made, the various spreadsheet cells have been highlighted in yellow. For more details, please refer to the posted spreadsheet. The following projects have been updated:
C-DRC2021-00010 (item 1 on the Active/In Process list)- appended Project Updates to reflect "Scheduled for August 19, 2022, Planning Department Hearing."
52SUB2021-00004 (item 5 on the Active/In Process list)- appended Project Updates to reflect "Avila Committee's comments were approved by AVAC during September 13, 2021, meeting. County has confirmed receipt, no further review required, and Advisory consultation has been completed."

E. Public Works: John Waddell reports:

- No report

F. County Parks: Nick Franco / Shaun Cooper reports:

- Cave Landing is awaiting final permitting, expected within a month.
- Ontario Ridge trail easement presentation is taking place on 8-23-2022.
- They are lending support to the Fire Council.

G. Port San Luis: Suzy Watkins-Harbor Director reports report:

- Summer season is busy, bringing brisk business to Avila Beach shops and restaurants.
- The permit for storage has been completed and plank storage is taking place next to the yacht club. First phase will be new planking, followed by piling replacement further down the pier.
- Graffiti under the bridge is being addressed. Port San Luis staff will handle smaller projects, with County Parks responsible for larger projects.

H. County Supervisor: Supervisor Dawn Ortiz-Legg reports:

The board has passed the budget.

- The County has added four positions in the Planning/Building Department.
- Supervisor Ortiz-Legg addressed Denise Alans' concerns about a hairpin turn safety on Sea Canyon Road. There are no restrictions on size of trucks on the road.
- The County is working with the public to address issues critical to public health, such as mental health and homelessness in our county. An interim Director of Public Health has been appointed.
- A five-year plan to end homelessness will be released August 9, 2022. Nine positions have been created.
- Three million dollars have designated to support non-profits, including \$650,000 for the new Homeless division.
- County staff have received salary increases for the next two years in a continued effort to retain personnel and continue services to the community.

- A committee is being formed to address concerns for an emergency evacuation plan for San Luis Bay Estates.

7. **Old Business:**

- No report

8. **New Business:**

- No report

9. **Community Liaisons:**

a. **Avila Beach Civic Association:** Mary Matakovich reports:

- The Apple Festival scheduled for September has been postponed until spring 2023.

b. **Avila Beach Foundation:** Rick Cohen reports:

- October 15th will showcase a Children's Fair where young entrepreneurs projects will be judged. This will take place in the Avila Beach Community Center.

c. **PG&E / Diablo Canyon:** Eric Daniels reports:

- Both units are operating at full power.
- NRC provided a report on 7/21/2022 detailing a post-shutdown report.
- The decommissioning process is continuing as planned; however, the commission will follow state regulations to address extension plans.

10. **AVAC Committees:**

a. **Land Use:** Sherri Danoff reports:

- No report

b. **Diablo Canyon:** Ken Thompson reports:

- The NRC presentation can be seen at www.cal-span.org

c. **Port:** Mary Matakovich reports:

- No report

d. **Avila Beach:** Mary Matakovich reports:

- No projects to report

e. **San Luis Bay Estates:** Curtis Cole reports:

- SLBE HOA removed a large, dead tree near the Bob Jones Trail, in Quail Canyon.

f. **Avila Valley:** Julia Hartzell reports:

- No report

g. **Sea Canyon:** Denise Allen reports:

- Denise Allen reports the apple harvest is ongoing.

h. **Squire Canyon:** Kirt Collins reports:

- No report

i. **Ad Hoc APU (Avila Plan update):** Jim Hartig reports:

- Two new members have been added, making a total of five Ad Hoc members

11. **Next Meeting Date:**

- September 12, 2022

12. **Adjourn:**

- 7:01 PM