

AVILA VALLEY ADVISORY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2013

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Present were: Jim Hartig, Sherri Danoff, Anne M. Brown, Julia Hartzell, Lynn Helenius, MaryEl Hansen, Jan Taylor (alt), Ken Thompson, Bob Pusanik, Lynn Walter, Saul Goldberg, Karla Bittner (alt), Bill Tickell. Absent: Denise Allen
- 2. The Minutes for the previous meeting were approved as sent. Abstaining were Ken Thompson and Anne Brown who were absent.
- 3. Chair's Comments: Jim referenced the Bob Jones Trail DEIR meeting at Julia's house; correction of next meeting's date (October 14th); 7a: Evacuation Update is not ready, so no report tonight.
- 4. Public Comment: Karla Bittner said most of county public works signs in the area are crooked. Ryan Chapman from Public Works will look into the matter.
- 5. Treasurer's Report: Julia reports \$914.23 in the Treasury.

6. County Reports:

- a) Sheriff's Dept: Sgt Scott reports that Comdr. Nefores has retired, and a new commander is in place. Graffiti cleaning: contact Comdr. Hascall at 781-5884. Avila area has had 113 calls, including 15 from Avila Valley. This # includes 23 reports of various kinds (16 medical assist, 2 drunk, 3 petty theft, 2 grand theft, etc.) He describes it as a "mild month". A question about a break-in on Heron Crest was explained.
- b) Planning: Ryan Hostetter is the lead on the DEIR of the BJ Trail. She welcomes comments, written, or emailed, but not verbal. There are a number of projects coming down in the near future: The Tank Farm (Avila Point) project is before the BOS tomorrow with a request to allow Planning to start work on a zoning change for the project; on October 8th, an appeal of the parking plan for Cave Landing (restricted night-time use) will be heard at the BOS; several projects in the Avila area are in the works. Julia questioned earth moving along Ontario Road at the bridge and BJ Trail crossing. Ryan will look into it. Bob asked about changes on the 10th fairway on the Avila Golf Course: there is a county easement which would preclude parking. Chance Jorgensen of the Golf Course says there is not a plan to change use.
- c) Public Works: Ryan Chapman distributed a map outlining "proposed parking restrictions" along Ontario Road at the Johnson Ranch (attached). Sgt. Scott added that it will help law enforcement in their work. Ryan is working on golf-cart parking in Avila, along with Steve McGrath (Port parking lot). Crossing Avila Beach Drive continues to be problematic as the posted speed limit is higher than what is allowed for golf carts. It is unlikely that that speed limit could be lowered.

- d) County Parks: no report.
- e) Cal Fire: Battalion Chief Lee reports 57 calls (70% medical). Local amendments to the Fire Code are being readied for presentation. He reminded members that the Sheriff's Family Day at the Madonna Meadow is this coming Saturday, and everyone is invited. A baby boy has been born to one of the Avila Firefighters (doing well). They will be hiring "paid-call" firefighters at Station 62. Interested people should apply at the Station 62. Bill Tickell asked about the See Canyon fire-break work: it is continuing.
- f) Supervisor Hill: The issue of water throughout the County is on the minds of everyone. He mentioned the Avila Point project. There are many new projects in the AVAC area, and the Traffic and Circulation continue to be problems. Sherri asked about a "missing" palm tree at Front and San Luis Streets (at Joe Mama's): Hannah will look into it. Terry Taylor commented that additional asphalt parking areas prevent the replenishment of the water aquifers throughout the area, and perhaps other surfaces could be used to help the water crisis. In response to comments by AVAC members, Adam offered to look into "no smoking" signs on the Bob Jones Pathway.
- 7. Old Business: The scheduled old business on the agenda was postponed to a later date to be determined.
- 8. Community Liaisons: (3 Minutes)
- a) Avila Beach Civic Association: Anne reports the upcoming Albacore Feed on Saturday, October 5th. Tickets are available for \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children 12 and under from her or at the Community Center office. COME !!!
- b) Avila Beach Community Foundation: Rick Cohen was absent, but members were reminded that grant applications are due at their office soon.
- c) Port San Luis: Steve McGrath reports that the Coastal Conservancy has funded the CDP application cost for the Harbor Terrace project, and Lisa Wise Consulting has been chosen to do the work. Repair continues on the Harford Pier. Chris Dorn has leased the "Pierside Café" site and his concept will be shown at the Port's September 24th meeting. Steve is working with the County admin. office on the Parking Plan and a CDP will be necessary to implement it. Chief Larry Lowry from the Port reported on the Life Guards and their various activities. Port staff has worked with the Sheriff's Dept. and Cal Fire to resolve problems. Lynn Walter asked about No Smoking on the Pier and compliance. Chief Lowry says they inform smokers and have some compliance. Signs would be helpful.

In regard to smoking on the BJ Trail, a request was made for signs stating County Park Policy.

Lynn Helenius asked Steve about repair of the eastern-most stairs to the beach which are closed. Steve says it is in their 5 year plan but way down on the list of work to be done.

- d) PG&E/Diablo Canyon: John Shoals reports:
 - 1. Units 1 and 2 are at 100% capacity.
 - 2. Spent fuel is being moved into dry cask storage.
- 3. The August 24th early warning test was 100% correct (131 sirens). The reverse 911 system was also tested.

- 4. No additional outage is planned for this year, but there will be 2 next year (February and September). On October 4th, there will be an "outage employment" workshop at the Education Center. Registration can be made there.
- 5. The seismic survey results are being analyzed and will be sent to the NRC, as well as reported to AVAC.
 - 6. The Chief Nuclear Officer will be attending a meeting in Japan.
 - 7. Tours of the plant can be arranged through John.

Questions about a New Times article re: "Calculational Garbage,",\ and the NRC concern for cyber security were presented. John and/or Eric with gather information and report back at a later date.

9. New Business: None.

10. AVAC Committees:

- i) Land Use: Sherri reports an upcoming meeting at her house: Monday, September 30th at 3:30 p.m. to review the Annual Update of the Avila Circulation Plan. Ryan Chapman will attend also.
- ii) Diablo: Ken Thompson reports that the Diablo Canyon Independent Safety Committee will be at the Lighthouse Suites on October 9th and 10th. Diablo has been commended by the NRC for its safety record.
 - iii) Port: Mary Matakovich has no report.
- iv) Avila Beach: The CSD is receiving the Water Rate Schedule analysis at tomorrow's meeting.
 - v) San Luis Bay Estates: Saul Goldberg: none.
 - vi) Avila Valley: Julia: all is o.k.
- vii) See Canyon: Bill Tickell reports increasing bicycle traffic on See Canyon Road from San Luis Obispo through Perfumo Canyon over the mountain ridges. Dangerous!!
 - viii) Squire Canyon: No representative.
- 11. Next Meeting: Monday, October 14, 2013
- 12. Adjourn: at 8:30 p.m.