



Year to Date 789

Mesa Station 22: 45 total calls

7 Fires	3 Vehicle Accidents
32 Medical	3 Other

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Training: Nipomo Paid Call Firefighters drilled on Rescue Systems

Prevention: 1,284 Wild Land Inspectors completed the inspection in Nipomo and noted 162 violations.

Administration: SLO County Fire contracted with Emergency Services Consultants Inc. to review County Fire Operations and will make recommendations for a County Fire Master Plan. Chief Fisher said he hoped the recommendation will include the need for an additional Fire Station for the Nipomo community.

New Station 20 Update: Framing and roof are completed and the grading for paving will take place this month.

Mrs. Istar Holiday asked the location of the new fire station if it is approved. Chief Fisher indicated it would be on the West side of Highway 101. Mrs. Holiday also asked if the wild land inspections included the urban areas. Chief Fisher reported that it did not.

Mr. Jim Harrison noted that the Chipping Program is on hold because of the State Budget impasse. Chief Fisher said the chipping will take place, but no date is yet available.

Mrs. El-Jay Hansson asked if there is a plan in place to evacuate animals in case of a fire. Chief Fisher said that effort would be within the State's jurisdiction.

**San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department: Commander Brian Hascall** reported that the theft of copper wire has continued. One man was arrested with 40,000 lbs. of copper wire which is valued at \$1.00 per pound. The wire belonged to Union Pacific and was returned to them.

There was an arrest on Soars Ave. for a person stealing from five vehicles.

An email scam is still circulating. He indicated that people should not respond to emails promising sums of money if they are required to send some money to the originator of the email.

A traffic stop by deputies in Oceano resulted in a man being arrested who had a number of stolen guns in his car.

Mrs. Stephanie Franks indicated there is continued poaching in the Suey Creek area. Commander Hascall said to call him immediately if that is observed.

Mrs. Franks also noted that there are homeless people living in the Community Park. Commander Hascall said he will alert his staff to this problem.

Mrs. El-Jay Hansson asked if Mr. Patrick Valente has ever been found. Commander Hascall said that he has not been found and has been missing for several weeks.

Mr. Dan Woodson noted that the Safety Brochures have not yet been passed out at the Dorothea Lange School. Commander Haskell responded that his staff was awaiting contact from the school.

Mr. Mike Winn asked if the proposed Sheriff's substation in the Woodlands would have prisoner holding facilities. When Commander Hascall indicated that it would not, Mr Winn commented that transporting arrestees from the South County to the County Jail in San Luis Obispo leaves the area unprotected during the 2 – 3 hours that the transportation and booking procedure requires. Commander Hascall agreed that the area is not actively patrolled during that period and explained that any holding facility would have to be staffed 24/7 and therefore it was not economically feasible to provide a holding facility.

Mr. Kevin Beauchamp asked what kind of vagrancy laws are in place in our county. He said an uninvited guest appeared at a wedding recently and they were unable to eject him. Commander Hascall said the County does not have any vagrancy ordinances, as they had been ruled unconstitutional several years ago. As an alternative, he suggested that trespassing laws could be used in the incident described by Mr. Beauchamp.

Chairman Wright asked about SCAC's previous request regarding obtaining the Report on County Gang Activity and Commander Hascall indicated that he would check to determine the report's status.

**California Highway Patrol Lt. Mark Badovinac** announced that the Cell Phone Law was not working very well. Call 911 if you note any driver who is weaving or driving erratically.

He noted there was a fatal accident in Price Canyon. The involved youthful driver who was found with marijuana in the car, was arrested on manslaughter charges.

The Pomeroy Rd. fatality of the motorcycle rider was perpetrated by 6 teenagers who placed wood in the roadway. Their charges are still pending. Mrs. Stephanie Franks noted that the boys had allegedly placed wood in the road before and after this fatality and asked if they would be charged. Lt. Badovinac said that the Department had requested manslaughter charges, but the D.A.'s Office was still reviewing the case and had not filed any charges yet. He did not know if the parents of the boys would be held responsible since the boys are minors.

A roll-over accident on Highway 101 killed a passenger in the car. The driver has been charged with murder because he was DUI.

The Highway Patrol is presently down two staff positions. Two graveyard shift cars are now in operation. The officers are on the alert for street racing and modified vehicles. The motorcycle that was on loan to our County is no longer available. Two motorcycles have been requested in the budget, but the budget has not yet been approved.

The CHP Public Affairs Officer will talk to the parents and staff of the Dorothea Lange School at Back-to-School Night and hand out brochures in reference to the speeding problem in the Las Flores area.

Supervisor Katcho Achadjian noted that the speeding problem has been continuing and the new principal at the school is aware of it. Supervisor Achadjian will make sure the Highway Patrol is invited to the school.

Mr. Dale Ramey, County Public Works, announced that the radar on Halcyon is being moved to a more effective location.

**San Luis Obispo County Planning Staff: Mr. Brian Pedrotti** was not present to give a report.

**Park Commissioner Mr. Paul Teixeira** was not present to give a report.

**Nipomo Community Service District: Mr. Jim Harrison** said that the NCSD is still working with the County to obtain the land for Miller Park. The NCSD would like to see the County donate the land to Nipomo.

The tie-in for the Santa Maria water project will hopefully have the EIR completed by October, 2008.

The NCSD has been having the streets swept every quarter. SLO County would like to perform this service instead.

The Southland Waste Water Treatment Facility is at the point that it will soon need to be upgraded to handle additional capacity. The "request for proposal" (RFP) to begin this project is due by the middle of 2009.

A hearing for the Black Lake Community to discuss the water tie-in with the NCSD will be held on September 24, 2008. At that time the protest process will begin.

**Public Comment:**

**Mr. Mike Winn** noted several upcoming events.

1. The "Clean-Up" week is now in operation. Put your items on the curb on your regular trash pick-up day.
2. The Hazardous Matter Collection Site is located at the south end of Frontage Rd and is open from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturdays.
3. The Board of Supervisors approved the retrofit ordinance for low flow toilets.
4. The California Conservation Corp. reported trash being dumped on Hetrick Rd.
5. October Fest will be Saturday, October 11, 2008 at the Community Park. All are invited and games and activities are planned.
6. The SLO Planning Department reported that the Community Park in Nipomo is losing approximately 60,000 gallons of water per year with their current irrigation system. Money will be needed to make the necessary changes and it is hoped that the developers will be able to assist in solving this problem with future credits being the incentive.

**Mr. Ed Eby** said that the attack on our southern border is over for the present. He said that 15 people spoke against the plan at the Board of Supervisor's meeting. No Santa

Maria water deal was involved in the land transfer to Santa Barbara County. He cautioned that this may be presented again in the future and we need to be vigilant to protect our County.

**El-Jay Hansson** indicated that Developer Rob Rossi has approval for a four-story hotel in the Black Lake Canyon area. SLO County Planning Representative Brian Pedrotti subsequently indicated that he would check, but thought the approval was only for a three story hotel.

Mrs. Hansson stated that low-flow plumbing is impractical and does not solve the problem of water use.

Mrs. Hansson also noted that Black Lake Canyon is being used as a dumping ground for trash and large items such as mattresses. She mentioned that the SCAC has Dump Fees available and perhaps they should be used to clean up this problem with occasional pickups.

**Old Business:**

A large number of residents of the Las Flores Rd. were present at the meeting to discuss the speeding problem on the streets and in the adjacent areas. Supervisor Achadjian was cognizant of the problem. He had held a meeting with Commander Brian Hascall, CHP Lt. Mark Badovinac, The Lucia Mar Interim Superintendent and the Principal at the School to discuss the problem. It was noted at the meeting that a motorcycle officer was needed in the area at the beginning and ending of the school day. Tickets will be issued and brochures will be passed out. It was felt that speed bumps will not alleviate the problem. The Principal of Dorothea Lange School will keep them informed of future problems.

Several members of the area spoke of their concerns with the speeding problem and the safety of the school children stated their approval of speed bumps and/or stop signs being installed. The following residents took this position: Richard Chrisman, Don Weard, Steve Henderson, Robin Atkinson, John Mouw, Mike Tolderdt, Cindy Jelinck and Joanne Urquishart.

Margaret Smits, a Las Flores Rd. resident emailed San Luis Obispo County indicating that she is a long-time resident on Las Flores and sees no speeding problem and does not approve of the speed bumps.

Supervisor Achadjian appreciated the comments and will look further to see if a solution can be reached.

After further discussion from the SCAC Board, Chairman Wright tabled the item.

**Card Room Seeking Approval from SCAC; Trian Investments Terri Carbaugh speaking for the owners.** Application for a 4 table card room in the CVS Shopping Center has been submitted to the County.

Discussion followed with the following comments from the SCAC Board:

Kevin Beauchamp disagreed with the closing hour of 4:00 a.m. on weekends and suggested a 2:00 a.m. closing instead.

Mike Winn spoke against the approval of the card room. Ed Eby believed this would become a “hazardous area” and said the conditional use permit could easily become a permanent permit. He did not believe that the card room fits in with the “vision statement” for our community. Several members of the SCAC Board voiced concerns about the safety of the business and surrounding businesses: Istar Holiday, Stephanie Franks, Richard Wright and Elaine Thomas. Community resident Mike Tolderdt voiced strong concern about the suitability of a card room in our community.

Mrs. Istar Holiday moved that we support the approval of the card room. Mr. Kevin Beauchamp asked that the motion be amended to indicate closing at 2:00 a.m. on weekends rather than 4:00 a.m. Mrs. Holiday amended her motion. Mr. Kevin Beauchamp seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and the following SCAC members voted YES to approve:  
Istar Holliday,  
El-Jay Hansson  
Kevin Beauchamp  
Richard Wright

The following members voted NO, not to approve:  
Stephanie Franks  
Dan Woodson  
Elaine Thomas

After a discussion, it was concluded that a voting quorum of the Council was not present. However, after the meeting, Chairman Richard Wright and Mr. Ed Eby looked further into the Bylaws and determined that a voting quorum had been present, therefore the motion carried.

Terri Carbaugh thanked the SCAC Board for their consideration.

**New Business:**

A delicatessen at 110 South Mary St. #6 in the Village at Nipomo Shopping Center is requesting a liquor license to sell beer and wine. Mrs. Istar Holliday will draft a letter to the business owner stating that the Council did not receive the request in time to adequately investigate the issue nor did we believe at the time that we had a quorum present in order to take a vote. The request will be discussed at the next meeting of the SCAC.

Mr. Dan Woodson reported on a public meeting with Excelaron LLC, an oil company that wants to drill for oil east of Arroyo Grande. 200 people attended the meeting. There was strong objection to the plan to route the oil trucks through Arroyo Grande Village. An alternate transportation plan to truck the oil south onto highway 166 and on to highway 101 was also discussed. There would be approximately 12 truckloads per day. A future meeting is planned for further discussion.

Mrs. Istar Holiday offered no further **Land Use Committee Information**. She then moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mrs. El-Jay Hansson, Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Next meeting will be October 27, 2008.