

**SOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the September 27, 2010 Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Murphy. Mike Winn led the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called by Secretary Elaine Thomas.

**The following members were present:**

Patricia Duron	Mike Eisner
Dan Gaddis	Mike Murphy
Bill Stubbs	Elaine Thomas
Dan Woodson	Richard Wright
Mike Winn (ex-officio)	

**The following members were absent:**

Rick Dean	Stephanie Franks
El-Jay Hansson	Istar Holliday
Vince McCarthy	Gary Spelbring

Council member Bill Stubbs arrived at 6:45 at which a quorum was declared.

**Addition or Deletions to Agenda:** Dan Gaddis pointed out that there were several Land Use issues that were not included on the Consent Agenda for September. It was agreed that they would be included in the October SCAC meeting agenda.

**New Member of SCAC:** Bill Dorland, resident of Cypress Ridge, was sworn in as a new member of SCAC. He was welcomed to the Council.

**Approval of Minutes for August 23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting:** Mike Eisner moved, seconded by Dick Wright that the minutes be approved. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** In the absence of Treasurer Stephanie Franks, the Treasurer's Report was read by Elaine Thomas:

Board Meetings	\$850.94	Dump Fees	\$1,885.76
Library	\$2,182.01	Total	\$4,918.71

Mike Eisner moved that the report be filed for audit, seconded by Dick Wright. Motion passed.

**Community Presentations:**

**Cal Fire Battalion Chief Bill Fisher:**

Emergency Responses: Nipomo Station 20: 91 total calls – YTD: 780

8 Fires                      10 Vehicle Accidents

48 Medical                25 Other

Mesa Station 22: 54 total calls – YTD 408

3 Fires                      4 Vehicle Accidents

36 Medical                      11 Other

Training: Nipomo Paid Call Firefighters trained on structure fires: hose lays, ladders, breathing apparatus.

(Cal Fire cont)

Prevention: Working on Wildland Inspections and business inspections There was a 600 acre control burn in Huasna Valley

Personnel: FAE Garon Coalwell has been off duty for three months during his wife's cancer treatment. The fund-raiser for her medical care generated \$32,000. Chief Fisher thanked the community for their generosity.

Chief Fisher was asked about the house on Pomeroy which burned several months ago to see if it might be a blight on the area and attractive to transients. He said he will look into it and noted that the mortgage on the house was in default and bank-owned.

**SLO County Sheriff's Department Commander Ken Conway:** Reported that the recent homicide that started in Nipomo and ended with a fire in Santa Margarita was under investigation. Four suspects are presently in custody.

School has started and home/ car burglaries are down. Sometimes deputies have been on bicycles in our area and were able to catch things that can be missed by officers in cars.

Commander Conway thanked the community for their support in defeating the marijuana facility proposed off North Frontage Rd.

The department is still working on clearing transients from the creeks.

**California Highway Patrol Public Information Officer (PIO) Lt. John Townsend** reported that this is his first meeting with the SCAC. He offered his direct cell phone number for anyone to call him: Phone 593-3311.

Since school is now in session, the Highway Patrol is giving special emphasis to the areas around schools during morning and afternoon shifts. Speeders and those parking illegally have been cited. It was noted that the parking around Dorothea Lange School is still a problem.

Motorcycle patrols are available about half of the time. One officer in a vehicle is on duty during the day shift and 2 officers after 2300 hours.

**SLO Planning Staff Brian Pedrotti:** noted the Troesh property request will be discussed later in the meeting. Also the County Green Zone Development and Redevelopment proposals will be discussed.

**NCSD Mike Winn:** announced there will be no Board of Supervisors meeting on September 28. The Planning Commission will discuss the Jack Ready Park at their next meeting this Thursday. The question of water availability and compliance with County Ordinance #3090 are still under review.

Oct. 1 – 9:00 NCS D will hold a special meeting to discuss the environmental determination for the sewer line replacement on South Frontage Rd to the wastewater treatment facility at Southland.

The 2010 Urban Water Management Plan update will determine how much water is available now and for the future in our area.

Oct. 2 – 9:00 a.m.- Creek Clean-up date. Meet at Jim Miller Park on Tefft.

(NCS D cont)

Oct. 4 – 7:00 p.m. NCS D will host a candidate forum for Mike Zimmerman and Paul Teixeira who are running for the Fourth District seat on Board of Supervisors. The forum will be directed by the local League of Women voters, without local direction.

Oct. 4 – Management Oversight Committee for the Dunes Particulate Matter will hold a closed meeting in SLO.

Oct. 9 – 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. is the October Fest at the Community Park. All are invited to attend.

Oct. 13 – The date of the next regular NCS D meeting.

**Informational Presentation on Dunes Particulate Matter:** Pam Dunlap offered a detailed presentation showing the amount and danger of the particulate matter blowing from the dunes. She noted that silica has a cumulative effect, that there are approximately 9,000 deaths in California each year as a result of this matter. Chronic exposure can shorten lifespan by 1-3 years and those who are in the most danger are children, elderly and women over 50. She noted that the Particulate Matter measured on our section of the Central Coast frequently exceeds national and state standards, violating the State standard 42 days already this year. The amount of silica in the air varies during the day depending on the wind and the vehicle activity on the dunes.

She presented a detailed picture display demonstrating the amount of sand blowing on the dunes. She requested that any help the SCAC or members of the community could offer could expedite solutions to these problems. Discussion followed. It was pointed out there are economic impact's which would factor into solving this problem. Some discussion was made about potentially limiting outdoor activity at schools where children may be exposed to these high concentrations of silica.

Rachelle Toti also spoke about the health risks of the particulate matter. Mrs. Dunlap was thanked for her presentation.

The issue will be on the agenda for the October SCAC meeting so we can discuss ways to help get the information out to the public.

**County Green Building Ordinance** –Stephen Hicks offered a slide presentation showing the cost and benefits of Green Building materials. The first implementation of the State Green Build Ordinance for the State of California will take place on January 1,

2011. The goal is to show a “zero energy footprint” by 2020 for new construction for both homes and commercial buildings.

He pointed out the benefits of sustainable materials, recycled materials, alternate power source’s, and insulated windows can increase energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas’s.

The plan is two tiered: Tier 1 which uses some of the “green materials” will cost approximately 1 to 5% more if applied as part of the new construction process, and will save money as long as the structure stands. Tier 2 will cost approximately 5 – 10% more during the remodeling or refurbishing process, and can save even more money in the long-run.

For further information residents can call County Planning and building staff at :  
Silvia Aldana – 781-4671 or Ryan Hostetter – 788-2351

A Public Workshop is scheduled on Tuesday, October 12, 2010 in Arroyo Grande at the South County Regional Center, 800 West Branch St – from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The workshop is free and all residents are encouraged to attend.

Discussion followed with the question of how this plan is compatible with Smart Growth. Brian Pedrotti, County Planning, was asked to discuss this and indicated that compromises would have to be made.

#### **Public Comment:**

**Mike Zimmerman** who is running for the open position on the Board of Supervisors spoke in reference to his campaign. He indicated that he supports the Advisory council concept and more specifically, the South County Advisory Council. He noted several rumors in circulation concerning his campaign were not accurate. He also emphasized that he wants to run a clean campaign and will represent Nipomo and South County well. There is a Barbeque Fund Raiser on Sunday, Oct. 3, 2010 in the Miner’s Parking lot on Tefft St. The lunch will be \$10.00.

**Jeanne Taylor** noted the misspelling on a road sign near highway 166 and 101.

**Mike Eisner** announced a Plant Sale at the Nipomo Native Gardens parking lot on Oct. 3 at 9:00 a.m.

**Consent Agenda:** Several items proposed for this meeting will be on the agenda for the October meeting if the decision has not already been made:

Troesh – lot line adjustment

Events planning – non-profit

Conklin Property – split lots

T-Mobile – increase antennas on existing “pine tree”

SLO Water Conservancy- right-of-way sale

NCSD – create a public lot for Nipomo Waterline Intertie Project

### **Committee Reports:**

**Land Use:** Dick Wright reporting for Istar Holliday, asked Mike Winn to discuss Redevelopment issue which had been discussed in committee. Winn said that the Board of Supervisors have asked their staff to return with recommendations on how to structure redevelopment in the County. They will need to decide such variables as whether to include the use of eminent domain, and whether to form one large project area countywide (with the “tax increment” being spent anywhere in the County) or form a number of project areas (with the “tax increment” being spent locally). There will be a study session this spring conducted by the Board of supervisors to which Advisory councils will be invited.

The NCSD pump station on public lot will include a ½ million gallon tank, partially buried. This item could be on the Consent Agenda for the October meeting. But County Planning has this on the BoS agenda for October 5th.

In addition Dick Wight mentioned four projects which may be on the agenda for the October SCAC meeting. They were:

1. The NCSD’s SUB application to place a pump station on .77 acres off Santa Maria Vista This project included the aforementioned ½ million gallon tank partially submerged with approximately 4 feet remaining above grade, neutral in color. It was previously for the Consent agenda and may be on the October 25<sup>th</sup> Consent Agenda.
2. T-Mobiles request for an MUP to place additional wireless communication’s equipment in the antenna tower complex at West Tefft and Orchard. This issue was proposed for consideration under “New Business” at the next meeting since neighbors had not yet been notified of this project.
3. SLO Water Conservatory’s SUB to sell a public lot at the end of Jessica Place to the adjoining neighbor. This area was originally an access walkway to the business area but has become an area where serious criminal activity has occurred such as narcotics and assaults. The proposed sale will allow the area to be fenced. This issue is recommended for the upcoming Consent agenda.
4. Special events GPA. This proposal would probably not impact the Edwards Barn but would impact venues in Templeton and Paso Robles. It was recommended that Karen Nall be invited to address this GPA for the next Council meeting.

### **Traffic and Circulation: Dan Woodson**

1. Proposal for two stop signs on Chata at Theodora
2. The Nipomo Area 1 and 2 Transportation Plan is being reviewed by the Traffic and Circulation committee over the next few months. This plan will determine road construction priorities and sets the road impact fees for new residential and commercial construction.
3. SLOCOG 2010 Regional Transportation Plan and Preliminary Sustainable Communities Strategy draft is now available at SLOCOG.

**By-Laws Update:** **Dick Wright** noted that the by-laws have not been reviewed in some time and could use some clarifying with possible updates. The wording sometimes makes it unclear the process's and procedures to be followed. He asked that it be included on the October agenda.

**Chamber of Commerce:** **Mike Eisner** offered to give his report outlining plans for the SCAC and the Chamber of Commerce at the October meeting since so many were absent for this meeting. It was agreed to hear Mike's report at the October meeting

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:45**

**Next meeting will be October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010**