# **SOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL Minutes for the October 25, 2010 Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mike Murphy at 6:27 p.m. Rick Dean led the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called by Secretary Elaine Thomas.

**Members Present**:

Rick Dean Patricia Duron
Mike Eisner Dan Gaddis
El-Jay Hansson Vince McCarthy
Mike Murphy Gary Spelbring

Elaine Thomas Mike Winn – ex-officio

Dan Woodson Richard Wright

Bill Dorland

**Members Absent**:

Stephanie Franks Istar Holliday

Bill Stubbs

A quorum was declared.

**Addition or Deletions to the Agenda:** A report by Mike Winn in reference to additional supplemental water to Oceano/Pismo by the CCWA will be added to the NCSD report

**Approval of Minutes for the September 27th, 2010 Meeting.** Mike Eisner moved, seconded by Dan Woodson that the minutes be approved. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report**: In the absence of Treasurer Stephanie Franks no report was offered.

Comments from the Chair: SLO County invites all interested parties to a meeting on the Green Building Ordinance. On October 25, 2010 Environmental Organizations Stakeholders meeting will be held at the City/County Library in San Luis Obispo. On November 1, 2010 a North County public meeting will be held at the Paso Robles City Hall.

#### **Community Presentations:**

Cal-Fire Battalion Chief Bill Fisher reported the following:

Nipomo Station 20 – 98 total calls – Year to Date – 780

5 Fires 9 Vehicle Accidents

57 Medical 27 Other

Mesa Station 22 – 38 total calls – Year to Date 408

2 Fires 4 Vehicle Accidents

19 Medical 13 Other

Training took place for the Nipomo Paid Call Firefighters on low-angle rescue with Conoco Phillips. Paid Firefighters also trained on confined space rescue.

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On-going preventions inspections are taking place. The 600 acre controlled burn in Huasna Valley was cancelled due to the recent rains. Fire Captain Dave Latham is back on duty after back surgery.

Chief Fisher looked into the question of the house fire on Pomeroy Rd that occurred several months ago. The owner is in the process of obtaining a building permit and will be rebuilding the home.

Paid Volunteer Firefighters Aaron Riffle and Chris Lopez were presented with a special honor badge by Fireman John Byrn to honor them for their dedicated service. These two young men have volunteered over 220 hours of service, have taken numerous training classes and participated in drills for fire fighting preparation. Chief Fisher said he is proud of these men and for those who train them and indicated they are a valuable part of serving our community.

**SLO County Sheriff's Department Commander Ken Conway** reported a recent scam from Florida in which the person is asked to send \$295.00 in order to win \$250,000. He indicated that the transient sweep is on-going. Nipomo Native Garden has become a hangout for drug sales and lover's lane. He also indicated there had been a stalker in the Garden following two women. He urged caution when in the Garden.

**Mike Eisner** said he had done a "Ride –Along" with the Sheriff's Department and found it very informative and helpful. He urged others to participate. Commander Conway said citizens are welcome to do "Ride-Alongs" and he will be able to arrange it. He said it is most beneficial during the swing shift.

**Commander Conway** announced we have a limited number of Deputy Sheriff's and a second car is needed. Three single officers patrol from Shell Beach to the SLO County Line and from the Oceano to Bakersfield. With the officer's spread out so much, it is very difficult if an officer needed backup in an emergency.

Nipomo citizen **Daniel Diaz** noted that there is drug activity along the creek and path on Chestnut, Dana and Price Streets. Children walk to school along this path. Commander Conway said they are aware of the problem and to call the sheriff if any drug paraphenalia is sighted.

Commander Conway can be reached at 473-7108 or 473-7100. His email is: kconway@co.slo.ca.us

### California Highway Patrol – not present

**SLO County Planning Staff Brian Pedrotti** announced that Jack Ready Park passed through City Planning for a General Plan Amendment. The amendment portion of the ordinance refers to water availability. He indicated that this passed due to the unique

circumstances of the Park. Mike Winn asked for exact wording of the proposal and indicated there would be large water usage in this park as presently planned. Mr. Pedrotti noted that the Laetitia proposal for homes is being studied for water availability by a third party and should be completed by January.

The one acre Leal property on South Tehas was approved for division into two parcels with the supplemental water in-lieu fee in question.

Park Commissioner Paul Teixeira announced several discussions in reference to County Parks. Commissioners reviewed Outstanding Trail offers and voted to accept all Outstanding Trail offers in Nipomo. Los Osos and Templeton Trails were put on hold until Commissioners visited the Templeton Trail sites. Anyone wishing to volunteer for the Trails Advisory Committee can contact Ernie DelRio at edelrio@co.slo.ca.us. Commissioner Teixeira indicated that homeless men are using restrooms, and drinking alcohol

The proposed \$18.00 tax on vehicles for the State Parks system was discussed, and he indicated the \$18.00 additional cost for car license's sounds good but in the past the monies collected on these types of fees are often diverted from Parks to other projects the State of California deems important.

Nipomo citizen Daniel Diaz questioned the problem of an oil spill many years ago that occurred on the property of the proposed Jim Miller Park. He indicated that this spill is possibly leaking into the water table and needs to be cleaned up. Commissioner Teixeira indicated that before the Park is built, there will be a study of this problem.

## **Nipomo Community Services District Director Mike Winn** indicated more information on water usage for the Jack Ready Park is needed.

On Oct. 21, 2010 a LAFCO study session looked at a Sphere of Influence expansion by Pismo Beach into Price Canyon. There is a proposal for 600 homes and a golf course on this property.

Board of Supervisors meets Wed. October 26, 2010.

NCSD also meets October 26, 2010 in which Urban Water Management Plan will be discussed. This large report can be seen on line on the NCSD site.

Discussion of the Santa Maria Pipeline costs took place with numerous questions concerning costs to residents. The additional cost will either be on the tax bill or the water bill and the information concerning these options will be available in the spring. El-Jay Hansson moved, seconded by Rick Dean that Mike Winn draft a letter to be sent to Supervisor Katcho Achadjian and the SLO Planning Department with the information concerning water rate increases. Motion passed. The letter will be issued over Chairman Mike Murphy's signature.

Lucia Mar School District Kevin Baker: Not present

#### **Public Comment:**

John Snyder presented his thoughts on several water issues

**Reggie Dion** representing the Concerned Citizens for Clean Air requested a representative from SCAC to meet with their committee to study and issue information on the particulate matter problem on the Dunes. Rick Dean moved, seconded by Mike Eisner that Pat Duron interface with this committee and report to SCAC. Motion passed.

**New Business:** Charles Dunn, representing T-Mobile, presented information for proposed use of a wireless communications facility tower on the property of the Baptist Church on the corner of Tefft and Orchard. The tower already exists in the form of an

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artificial pine tree and is in use by Sprint Communications. T-Mobile would use the existing tower and pay for usage. Mr. Dunn noted that the emissions from this tower are

.03% of the allowable from the FCC. Discussion followed. Dan Gaddis moved, seconded by Gary Spelbring that we approve this request. Motion passed with Dan Woodson voting no and Rick Dean recusing himself. El-Jay Hansson moved, seconded by Dan Woodson that T-Mobile be required to add landscaping surrounding the fenced area containing the machinery of the tower. Motion defeated with El-Jay Hansson and Dan Woodson voting yes.

Committee Reports: El-Jay Hansson discussed the Santa Maria Pipeline Supplemental Water costs and how it will be paid for. She noted that if the customers served by the four water purveyors reject the proposal with a vote in the spring, the increase will show on the water bill; but if it passes, it will be reflected on the property tax bill which will be much cheaper. The total cost of the project is \$24 million.

There is a discussion at the County level of who will build and maintain additional trails. One property owner is threatening to block off the Inga Trail. The committee believes the County should take on all easements now when they are offered or available. If the trail has not been used or maintained for 25 years it could revert.

**Traffic and Circulation: Dan Woodson** announced that bicycle trails are being proposed for Division from Frontage to Orchard and Los Flores from Division to Tefft. He discussed progress on the Willow Rd. extension.

Chamber of Commerce representative Mike Eisner will give his report at the next meeting.

**Council Agenda:** Discussion of changes, additions, clarification of By-laws. Mike Eisner moved, seconded by El-Jay Hansson that the following committee be formed to study these updates with Bonnie Eisner as chairperson:

Bonnie Eisner Mike Winn

Vince McCarthy Rick Dean
Dick Wright Jeanne Taylor

Mike Murphy – ex-officio

Motion passed.

Rick Dean moved, seconded by Dan Gaddis that the rule requiring Bonnie Eisner be present at this meeting be waived in this case. Motion passed.

Chairman Mike Murphy announced that he would not be in town for the November SCAC meeting and Dan Woodson would chair the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Next meeting will be November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010