

Meeting Minutes August 26, 2024

Meeting held at NSCD Chambers, 148 South Wilson, Nipomo CA 93444

Called to order 6:30 p.m.

Present: Harry Walls, Robert Wachsmuth, Darrell Sisk, Russ Hobbs, Tom

Girard, Rose Kaye, Jerry Bridge, Gary Spelbring, and Stephen Vines

**Correspondence from the Chair:** Welcome, everybody. I think everybody knows, but for those of you who don't, we are a volunteer group of council members who live and some of us still work in the community. And so part of our commitment in volunteering is to support the health, safety, and growth of our community. So that's what we're doing here. And to that end, in order for us to have a positive long-term impact we want to expand. We want people in the community to know that the South County Advisory Council exists as a listening tool for Supervisor Paulding and to understand what's going on.

## **Community Presentations:**

**CHP Office.Mike Routt**, Captain of the SLO CHP office, reported seven DUI arrests over the course of the last month, more than we've had in traffic collisions. We had seven collisions, one minor injury, one major injury. The department is working on is getting real-time information out to people. So we're utilizing our platforms, Facebook, and Instagram. It is still OK to call CHP Dispatch when we see something happening. Iif it's a non-emergency call or non-emergency number, but if it's an emergency, then absolutely call 911. That includes pedestrians on the freeway. Don't ever hesitate to call, including collisions. We need the community's help in keeping the roads safe. That's what we're here for.

James Sofranko (for Supervisor Paulding): Just a quick update that the road work for the left-hand turn lane that they were installing on Los Berros at Dale Avenue, that was supposed to start a couple a couple months ago, and the soil is too wet to postpone it. I believe that was supposed to have started yesterday, so it should be ongoing now. There's going to be some delays in that area, just an FYI. Not only are we putting in a left-hand turn lane there, but they're also extending the bike lane as well, so just another kind of overall. I have a press release that public works sent on that. I'll also forward that so you guys can just review it. Supervisor Paulding is off for the next two weeks. We are going through the process of reducing some of our water usage at the park, in part for budgetary reasons, in part for just conservationist reasons, but some of the grass over by the tennis and pickle ball courts, but closer to the road, is being transitioned into a more natural environment. We're working with the Parks Department on figuring out kind of how, once that transition happens, it's kind of a lengthy process to kill off grass, is how to plant some native vegetation there and still make that look nice. But just so you know, when you see some dead grass over there, it is planned as part of a bigger effort. It's not just intentional bad grass. Going to put something nice in there.

**Cheryl Ku, SLO County Planning**, introduced us to planner Lane Sutherland who is taking over as the department's Liaison to SCAC.

**Public Comment: None** 

**Landon Pinmar,** Student Central Coast New Tech: I go to Central Coast State Tech High School. I'm 17. I'm a senior. And I kind of just reached out to Mr. Bridge. I wanted to get more involved in my community and possibly have more governmental opportunities or practicing for government because that's what I want to go into for a major for college. And so I just wanted to be here and sort of, you know, help out as much as I can in any way.

Jen Roads SLO Opioid Safety Coalition Coordinator gave a presentation on drugs and help available in SLO

County.

Consent Agenda: Minutes and Treasurer's report approved from July 22, 2024 meeting. Motion to accept, seconded, and passed.

**Old Business: None** 

**New Business:** 

**Project Number and Name: McKenna parcel split N-SUB2024-00005:** Motion to accept, seconded and passed.

**Project Number and Name: Mehlschau CUP N-DRC2023-00028**. Request for approval of a 145 Foot multi Carrier Wireless telecommunication facility. Motion to recommend denial of project as originally submitted to the county due to height and appearance, but we are in favor of the alternative design as presented tonight with new planted tree species to be determined after further discussion with County Planning. Seconded and passed.

## **Committee Reports and Upcoming Meetings:**

Traffic and Circulation: next meeting 9/23/24

**Land Use**: the next meeting plans to include Olde Towne Nipomo Association representation to discuss a new warehouse building in Olde Towne Nipomo.

**Treasurers Report:** We have not yet received the county's grant check.

**Website Management:** 98 Facebook followers, and we still need to provide input and feedback for our website makeover.

Chair Bridge reported the NCSD would be meeting at 9:00am on 8/28/24 to vote on approval of LAFCO's proposal for annexation of the Dana Reserve property.

Meeting adjourned @7:40 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting is: September 23, 2024