

SANTA ROSA VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
Approved Minutes - January 15, 2004

The Santa Rosa Valley MAC held a meeting on Thursday, January 15, 2004 at 6:00pm at the Santa Rosa Valley Club House on 11701 E. Los Posas Road, Camarillo.

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks at 6:05 pm. MAC members Rosemary Allison, Mark Burley, Janis Gardner, Ruth Means and Don Shubert were present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The salute to the flag was led by Supervisor Parks.

3. Self-Introduction of MAC Members

4. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Mark Burley nominated Rosemary Allison as Chair and Don Shubert nominated Janis Gardner as Vice-Chair. The MAC voted 5-0 in favor of it.

5. Introduction of Mei-Ling Peterson as Recording Secretary; and Captain Richard Diaz and Sergeant Mike Aranda from Moorpark Police Department.

6. Agenda Review

Supervisor Parks said that agenda and minutes of all MAC meetings are available on her web page at the County web site <http://www.countyofventura.org> and will also be posted at Santa Rosa Technology Magnet School.

Supervisor Parks suggested that to avoid unnecessary confusion, MAC chair should be the main spokesperson for the Santa Rosa Valley MAC. Supervisor Parks spoke about the MAC role and introduced the Brown Act which consists of laws that MAC members need to abide by and the meeting procedures that need to be followed.

7. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks

Supervisor Parks said that she is currently working on re-negotiating the current 7-year trash hauling contract. She said that residents in Santa Rosa Valley paid the highest trash hauling fee of \$40.00 per month.

She is also trying to move forward with the Santa Rosa Park project. She is working on the request for proposal (RFP) and developers will be able to bid on the project. The maintenance fee still remains an issue. The Park plan currently calls for a \$12,000 annually in maintenance costs.

Supervisor Parks also said that the 101 and 118 freeway expansions were approved and were supposed to start last year. Due to the current state budget cut, the freeway expansions probably would not get started until the year of 2009.

8. Public Comments

Bob Vannix raised the concern with day laborers gathering on Santa Rosa Road near Rose Lane. There are problems with trash, noise and safety in that area. "No Stopping" signs have been put up but they did not improve the situation as people are still stopping to pick up the day laborers. Rosemary suggested looking for a location for the day laborers and that the issue would be discussed further in the next February 19 MAC meeting.

Ron Vogel said that Camrosa Water District manager would like to talk to residents about potential sewage lines for Santa Rosa Valley at a future MAC meeting.

Shelly Liston who lives on Andalusia Drive said that two new homes are being constructed and that four more new homes will be built on the wildlife corridor in the Mountclef Ridge area. The lands are supposed to be preserved for wildlife and are identified by Thousand Oaks as 'undevelopable'. Shirley asked residents to sign the petition to stop the four new homes from being built. Rosemary said that we would discuss the issue in the next MAC meeting.

Morgan Whetje said that the creek in Santa Rosa Valley is drying out stating that the Moorpark road alignment has blocked the natural water from flowing of the creek. Trees are dying near the creek and wildlife is also being affected.

Eric Gardner said that the "No Right on Red" sign in Moorpark and Santa Rosa Road is temporary and that we should think about the longer term plan. Ruth Means said that a county traffic calming report should be out very shortly and that the MAC should review the report.

Gayle Hughes spoke about the Mountclef development and said that the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was done during the dry season and therefore it did not include wildlife in the area such as mountain lions. The mountain lions have tracking collars on them and they are being tracked. If anyone should see them, they are encouraged to call Ray Sauvajot at 370-2339 to report the date and time of sighting.

9. Council Comments on issues not on the agenda

Janis Gardner said that two Santa Rosa monuments have been put up near Andalusia Drive for traffic calming purpose. Yucca Drive traffic light installation should be finished in February. Some landscaping work is being done at the Moorpark and Santa Rosa Valley Road intersection. The plants that were planted are native plants. Watering of these plants is needed until the plants are well established.

Rosemary Allison said that Santa Rosa Road could use some cleaning up. Supervisor Parks suggested calling the County and seeing if the Probation Department could send some people to come out and pick up trash on Santa Rosa Road as part of their community service. Sergeant Mike Aranda agreed that Probation could possibly help.

Mark Burley suggested that the MAC committee should write to the City of Thousand Oaks about the development in Mountclef Ridge area. He also said that 40 trees had been planted on the hill near the Moorpark and Santa Rosa Road intersection. Public Works had hydroseeded the steep slope on the hill to prevent erosion. Due to the rocky soil and the lack of rain, the seeds were not sprouting. Public Works said that reseeding would be a waste of time and money.

10. Action Items

Supervisor Parks said that MAC members serve four-year terms. Having all MAC members' terms expire at the same time might not be a good idea. She asked the MAC committee to consider having staggered terms for MAC members. Perhaps, two members can have terms of two years while the others can have four years terms. Due to the lack of funding, it may not be possible to hold an election to elect MAC members. Supervisor Parks said she prefers the members are elected but if there are no funds available she would appoint MAC members herself again instead of holding an election.

Mark Burley and Ruth Means both offered to have two years terms in their positions and the other three MAC members will have four-year terms. MAC voted 3-2 to approve the use of staggered terms.

Janis Gardner showed some preliminary logo designs for Santa Rosa Valley MAC. Rosemary made a motion to have Janis work with Jean Bergenstal to finalize the logo design and it will be reviewed at the next MAC meeting and Janis seconded it. MAC voted 5-0 to approve the action.

11. Future Agenda Items

1. Proposed development on Mountclef Ridge
2. Camrosa Water District presentation on April 15, 2004
3. Update by Morgan Wehtje on Santa Rosa Creek
4. Alternate location for day laborers
5. Review of Santa Rosa Road study
6. Mark Burley proposed to include items for the future MAC meetings:
 - a. General Plan: MAC voted 5-0 to have Mark Burley in charge of the plan.
 - b. Trail Policy: MAC voted 5-0 to have Ruth Means work with Supervisor Parks on issues regarding a trail master plan.
 - c. CRPD: Mark Burley wants to discuss with Conejo Recreation and Park District about extending their trails to Santa Rosa Valley.

12. Adjournment

Rosemary Allison moved that the meeting be adjourned to the next MAC meeting on February 19, 2004. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm

