

SANTA ROSA VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES
October 18, 2007

The Santa Rosa Valley MAC held a meeting on Thursday, October 18, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at the Santa Rosa Valley Club House on 11701 E. Las Posas Road, Camarillo, CA 93012

1. Call to order

Rosemary Allison called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. MAC members Ruth Means and Mark Burley were present. Don Shubert and Janis Gardner were absent.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Laura Hosking.

3. Agenda Review

The agenda was revised to postpone Action Item 8a. to November 15 and to return Item 9a. to Public Comments.

4. Approval of Minutes

After correcting the spelling of Duval Road under Item 6, Ruth Means made a motion to approve the minutes and Mark Burley seconded the motion. Motion carried 3/0.

5. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks

In Supervisor Parks' absence, Janet Wall informed the MAC that the move back to Thousand Oaks from Ventura had taken place that week and said the MAC should feel free to drop by in the near future to visit the newly designed space. In addition, e-mails were exchanged with the Lexington Hills HOA Board and they currently plan to have their written comments regarding the Lexington Hills entry available to submit at the November 15 MAC meeting. A flier regarding protecting cars from vandals was made available through Jan Osterhaven in Supervisor Parks' office.

Ruth Means and Janet Wall gave a brief re-cap of events surrounding the Thousand Oaks City Council Hearing on Santa Rosa Park that they had attended on October 9, 2007. The Council has delayed any decision regarding the park, but Phase One went out to bid and a contractor will be selected through the County process. Some equestrian components that comprise Phase Two will be postponed until the City of Thousand Oaks approves their portion of the MOA. With respect to the water quality issues raised, the County has already approved a restoration project along the creek next to the park land parcel which includes widening the creek bed, elimination of exotic plants and replanting of native species. In addition, there will be an on-site monitor who will maintain the park.

6. Public Comments

Officer Randy Hosking reported that there were 35 traffic collisions from January 1 through October 18, mostly on Read Rd., Moorpark Rd. and Santa Rosa Rd. Only one was a DUI crash. He informed residents that a County ordinance specifies that a \$22.00 ticket will be issued if "For Sale" signs are posted on cars parked in the right of way.

Officer Hosking gave the following contact information for reaching him or CHP staff 24 hours a day: For Randy Hosking personally: 583-0800 X249. For reporting vehicles parked longer than 72 hours, please e-mail: rhosking@chp.ca.gov. For the 24 hour dispatch operator, call: 805/477-4174. For emergency calls, always use 911

Sheriff Ron Tusi also attended the meeting and reminded residents that the most common theft occurrences involve unlocked vehicles. Please do not leave your vehicle unlocked as valuables are being stolen throughout the entire county. The number to call for theft-related reports is 654-2311 and a live person will be available to assist 24 hours/7 days a week.

Gusie Woodfil brought a "show and tell" from the CERT classes she had attended: a device that cuts the vehicle seat belt in an emergency situation.

Kevin Cannon told the MAC that the 95% Plans for the signals project are now posted on-line. The MAC should plan to submit comments to those plans at the November 15 meeting. The work is clearly progressing in the right direction and Fehr & Peers are on target.

7. Council Comments on Issues Not on the Agenda

Rosemary Allison said that the Annual Santa Rosa Road Clean-Up Day is scheduled from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on December 1, 2007. Reminder e-mails to residents will be sent and specific event information on the clean-up day will be posted to the website. She alerted the MAC about a new e-mail scam where notice is received that an IRS refund is available and asks for your social security number. In addition, she has received an e-mail from Mr. Vannix complaining of excessive truck traffic on Santa Rosa Road. Office Hosking responded that he has stopped many trucks and nearly all of them are delivering in the area. In closing, Rosemary told residents that Molly Kohler Pei is appearing in "Mad Meg" at the Hillcrest Center for the Arts through October 21.

Mark Burley and Rosemary Allison told the MAC that they had attended an Oak Park MAC meeting and felt that the format of the meeting was very similar. They appreciated the opportunity to compare ways of communicating with residents in an informal, friendly manner. In addition, they expressed their appreciation for the participatory spirit of residents in the Santa Rosa Valley and still marvel that 80% of residents came out to vote on the signalization project.

Mark Burley updated the MAC on the Santa Rosa Trails plan which will eventually come before the Board of Supervisors. They are using GIS mapping and will delineate existing trails, connections, proposed trails and even HOA boundaries. The plans will first be submitted to Resource Management Agency and then will come to the MAC and be available for public comment. Please access SRVTRAILS.com for more information.

8. Action Items:

a. Design Plans for Lexington Hills/Moorpark Road

Item postponed to November 15, 2007.

b. Recommendation re Lot Sizes for Future Development and Equestrian Use

Mark Burley noted that item 8b. arose pursuant to discussions with developer Dave White of Wildwood Preserve development project. It was noted that equestrian lot sizes are restricted in accordance with Regional Water Quality Board standards which restricts levels of nitrates in the groundwater in the Santa Rosa/Tierra Rejada Groundwater Impact Area. Mr. Burley felt that it is in the best interests of Santa Rosa Valley residents to protect the rural quality of Santa Rosa Valley and questions the large lot size now required to keep even one horse: 3.285 acres. It was noted that historically ½ acre lots were permitted to keep horses. Because the MAC decided this is a huge issue for their community, they requested a presentation by staff and/or the RWQB to explain the rationale leading to the regulations. In addition, a minimum of two weeks' notice was requested so that residents have ample time to calendar the meeting.

A related discussion ensued regarding which type of septic systems are permitted and the MAC requested that information on septic systems be provided at the same meeting.

9. Information Items

a. California Highway Patrol Update (if available): Moved to public comments.

b. Report on Community Beautification Event: September 29, 2007

In Don Shubert's absence, Janet Wall read the statistics from the September 29, 2007 Community Beautification Event which took place at the Santa Rosa Valley Technology Magnet School. The community did a terrific job of recycling materials away from landfills, including:

- * 1.45 tons of trash
- * 3.76 tons of green waste and wood were collected for recycling
- * 1.52 tons of metal was collected for recycling
- * 4.95 tons of e-waste was collected, including 101 CRTs (computer monitors/televisions).

Don Shubert had requested that the County be solicited to provide a yearly event in Santa Rosa Valley and that request was relayed by Supervisor Parks' office to the Integrated Waste Management division of the County.

c. Follow-Up of CERT Team (Rosemary Allison)

Rosemary Allison reported that 32 residents have signed up for the CERT classes. Classes have taught residents how to extinguish fires, administer CPR and set up a radio network in the Santa Rosa Valley. CERT members present at the meeting said that emergency preparedness will be a valuable asset to the community. In addition, they appreciate the fire department's willingness to conduct the classes.

d. Mountclef Ridge Update

Mark Burley stated that there would be information related to Mountclef Ridge available at the next meeting. To recap, the property owner was issued a temporary restraining order which prevented further grading and the judge will render a decision in the near future.

10. Future Agenda Items

Action Items:

Design plans for Lexington Hills/Moorpark Road
Finalized Comments on Signals

Information Items:

Report from County on Lot Sizes & Septic Tank Information
Summary/Conclusion of Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
Trail Plan Update
Mountclef Ridge Update

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m. to November 15, 2007.