

Good Hope / Meadowbrook

MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

November 5, 2015 at 6:00pm, Thursday

MOSES-SCHAFFER COMMUNITY CENTER

21565 STEELE PEAK DRIVE, GOOD HOPE

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

0.0 CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 6:10pm by Chair, Carlos Lara. Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.0 Roll Call: Carlos Lara (Chair), Diana Martin (Vice-Chair), Jackie McDonald (Secretary), Willie Moses, Rogelio Sesmas, Giovanni Aguilar (alternate) - Present

2.0 Approval of Minutes: Diana Martin moved, Mrs. Moses seconded; Vote unanimous to approve.

3.0 Public Safety Updates

3.1 Riverside County Sheriff's Lt. Joseph Pemberton - October Stats: 132 total calls: 5 Priority 1 calls, 2 medical, 2245(assault), 1 shots fired, 8 arrests: 2245, 1 father and son, 1 husband and wife. There were 4 warrant arrests, 4 narcotics arrests, and 1 misdemeanor traffic call. The two most common calls are 415 noise calls; 415 (family) domestic disturbance calls. Marijuana is still an issue. It is all stored now except for indoor grows. A shooting call at Phillips Rd. and Grey St. was investigated with very little to go on. About 9 calls came in on this shooting. If you see anything, call in on the non-emergency line. Question: Re: an incident October 31st, at approximately 4-4:30pm, deputies were called about shots fired. A neighbor, or a visitor with an AR15, was shooting up in the air and at a rock. Deputy Snyder responded and I told him there is a gate and he could come onto my property, he went there and he never came back. I called back and told the Deputy I was disappointed that nothing happened. What's the policy on this type of situation? Answer: There is no set, cut and dry policy. It is at the deputy's discretion. If entry is a problem, the case is usually given to an investigator. If you have the problem again make sure you inform the deputy that you've called before with this problem. Question: Is a deputy allowed to go on another person's property without permission to see what's going on? Answer: Must have consent except if a life is in danger (Public Safety exception). Discussion about when and how a deputy can come on a property.

3.2 Riverside County Fire Capt. Steve De la Hoya - October Stats - 49 calls: 36 medical, 1 false alarm, 1misc. fire, 1 standby, 10 traffic collisions (an increase) including 1 fatality, and 1 major incident. Be cautious when travelling on the highway especially at night. Fire station still has plenty of sandbags to help prepare for the coming rains. All fire stations have bags. Also the Burn Ban is still in effect.

3.3 Code Enforcement Brian Bealer - Focus is on El Nino. We've been going around the neighborhood looking at properties and checking the water courses. Courtesy notices are given if we see something that needs to be done. Most stored items in waterways include furniture, cars, or building materials. Do not store anything in the waterways. A second notice gives an additional 15 days to clean up the waterway. After that enforcement process begins. There are flyers in back about flood control. Concerning marijuana, we've removed a lot of plants. Growing is now going into greenhouses. Is you see something call. Dispensaries on Hwy 74 are closed down and another moves in. At that point the court case has to be amended, and that slows down the process. *Question: Are the dispensaries fined?* Answer: Yes, \$1,000/day per violation on that property. There are general information flyers available on the back table. We encourage you to help by maintain your property, don't build anything without a permit, call us first. Together we can keep our neighborhoods clean and safe.

4.0 New Business

4.1Riverside County Parks Dept. / District [Center/Park Updates] Stephanie and Ayeisha: Welcome and thank you for attending. The Mac meets here the first Thursday each month. Halloween over 350 people attended and enjoyed carnival games haunted house and trunk or treat and we look forward to next year even bigger and better. We at that time had the ribbon cutting for the new basketball court and Mrs. Moses cut the ribbon. The court is now open for use. The Viejas casino trip is Nov 18th, cost \$15.00 and there's 5 spots left. Senior lunch served daily from 12noon till 1pm, for those over 60. Saturday, December 19th is Breakfast with Santa from 8am till noon, and everyone is invited. Cardio Class is restarting Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30am to 10:30am. We are starting a Good Hope Good Health program, trail walk starting next Friday, and a children's winter program at a cost of \$1.00/day. *Question: How did the art class work out?* Answer: It was a little too advanced for the little kids so we are going to start a class geared to their level. *Question: There should be a fence on the east side of the basketball court to keep the kids from coming over.* Answer: there is a big fence at the back. Discussion re: where a fence should be placed for the kids safety. We'd like to have a Pot-Luck in December since there's no MAC meeting. Please let us know. It will be the first Thursday.

4.3 Environmental Health [presentation/information on services provided for the community]: Matt Ryan: This department oversees septic design and does the inspections. **Septic Tank:** It's important to know where your septic tank and leach field is. If you don't know, you can get that information from the County. Once you know where the field is, you can protect that area, by not driving or parking on it, or put a driveway over it. Most septic tanks last about 30 years if cared for properly. It should be pumped every 3-5 years. No chemicals should go into the tank. Use only liquid detergents, not granular, small amounts of bleach or household cleaning products are okay. Location is important to insure the water runs off and doesn't pool on the leach field. **Grey Water:** The state allows you to put in a washer machine to landscape system (simple system does not require a permit).It must have at least 2 inches of mulch, so the

water is not above ground. You should be able to turn it back to the septic. Kitchen sink water cannot be on a grey water system. *Question: re: using Septonic or RidX.* Answer: They don't really do anything. *Question: What's the basic cost of a septic?* Answer: Approximately \$1500 for a tank, about \$3000 - \$5000 for a new system. No permit is needed to pump a septic and the cost is about \$300 - \$500.

4.2 Flood Control Department [presentation/information on El Nino preparations for winter]:

The main responsibility: plan, design major flood control, dam, levees, basins, regional channels and storm drains. Godzilla El Nino: weather phenomenon (Pacific Ocean warms). This one will be comparable to the 97-98 El Nino 97/98 El Nino produced 25 inches of rain, double our average. A slide show showing El Nino years and amount of rainfall in each year was presented. Pineapple Express (another weather phenomenon) can produce intense storms at any time. Most important thing is to be prepared. Preventable impacts: Slope failures, retaining wall failures, blocked drains, fallen trees, localized flooding due to blocked drainage courses. Brochures are available that show how to lay sandbags to protect your house. In the Good Hope area the most complaints: blocked waterways and diversion of flow. Make sure when setting sandbags you are diverting the water into your neighbor's house. Sometimes the roads may get undermined or flooded; do not cross a flooded road! More sandbags are available. County Task Force phone number: 951-955-2004 for further information. You might want to get flood insurance, homeowners insurance does not cover floods. For more information: 1-888-CALLFLOOD, or www.floodsmart.gov. After a flood: inspect, check for downed power lines, damaged roads. For more information: www.rcflood.org, or www.elnino.noaa.gov. **Suzette:** During the storm: stay at home, do not sightsee, do not go around barricades, do not cross low water crossing. 2 feet of water can move a 2,000 pound car, 6 inches can sweep you off your feet. If an emergency, call 911, a clogged channel, inlet or road culverts call 951-955-1230. The important part is to be prepared! Have an emergency kit. Prepare for a minimum 3 days; seven preferred. Plan for your pets, take pictures for your pets for ID purposes. Have an out of state contact; plan for the worst, hope for the best. Web site: www.rivcoready.org. *Question: Will there be a CERT class here?* Answer: There will be a class here sometime next year, date is not yet set.

4.4 Waste Management, Inc. [presentation on services provided for the community] Carolyn Corrao

Brought snacks and information in the back. We are all paying for bulky item collection. Call WMI at least 24 hours before your collection day to schedule to have a bulky item picked up. This is available 2/year. You will be asked what you have and they will schedule the proper truck to pick up your item. *Question: How can we get our cancelled checks returned to our bank?* Answer: She will find out and get back with the answer. *Question: Are tv's and old stereo equipment considered bulky items and do you pick them up?* Answer: Those are considered electronic waste and there is an additional charge, however during the neighborhood cleanup events you can bring there. *Question: We have a trash bin and people are always dumping in our bin. What can be done about that?* Answer: That is called illegal dumping and it's a police matter. *Comment: I don't know if people here know that they can get a senior citizen discount.* Answer: There is a senior citizen discount of 10% for those seniors over 62 and you reduce your receptacle size to 60 gallons.

4.5 Community Action Partnership [presentation on educational services available] Mike Elkins Programmer Manager provided information about the programs provided including weatherization services, utility assistance, savings match program (first time homebuyers), veterans services. New programs starting in January: new laptops Parent and child (1 month to 6 years) and workshops for financial literacy. There are 2 locations: Riverwalk and Mecca. Literature provided.

5.0 Public Comment: Javier Sandoval - Lives on Hwy 74, has cars and a tractor. Code Enforcement has a problem with me. Wants to fix the car and tractor, but needs more time. He would like the communities help so he doesn't have to throw them away. Right now, is not commercial but more than likely will be. Code wants rock hauled away. Rocks are small it would be expensive, but he could use them. There is also construction material. He has been advised by the MAC that he must continue to deal with Code enforcement. Code enforcement replied they cannot go into detail publically, and they are working with him on these issues.

6.0 Legislative Reports

6.1 Field Representative to Assemblywoman Melissa Melendez, Deni Horne - Gave recap and dates the Assemblywoman is available. The legislature has ended until January. December 8, 2015 the Assemblywoman is hosting a Holiday Party at BMW of Murrieta from 5-7pm. Check the web site for El Nino information, however it is not going to solve our drought. Don't take any chances, be prepared.

7.0 Report from Supervisor Kevin Jeffries' office

7.1 Thomas C. Ketcham, Legislative Analyst to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries - Thank you to Parks Department for the Halloween ribbon cutting, new steel gazebo. The second phase starts January, 2016. The tot lot will remain. We need volunteers for breakfast with Santa. Volunteers should be here at 6am. There's a new newsletter from the supervisor. Website is listed to check if you have some forgotten money. Highway 74 has is being transferred to the county. There will be a special meeting in January concerning the highway. The Governor signed a few marijuana bills. Concerning El Nino, sandbags are available. Fire Department will come to your property to help you decide the best places to put the sandbags. There is no meeting next month (December), if something comes up come to the center they will get in touch. Thank you to Carolyn, WM donated 20 basketballs for the new court. *Question: Is there any information about the widening of the highway?* Answer: Caltrans was had planned to put medians down the center. Maybe in February Transportation will be here to talk about what's going to happen with the highway. *Question: Will there be sewers on Ellis?* Answer: Colinas was approved nothing is happening until the sewer is in. Ethanac is the boundary. A discussion on developments and sewer in the area followed.

8.0 Good Hope/Meadowbrook MAC Board Member Comments Jackie McDonald: A grateful thank you to Ayeisha and Stephanie for all they do here at the Center, Please sign up for the Pot Luck. I still need a binder for the minutes. Toys that were donated for Halloween are being saved to give out for Christmas at the Breakfast with Santa. My quote: My mission in life is not merely to survive but to thrive: and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor and some style. □ - Maya Angelou

Mrs. Moses: It's good to be here. **Giovanny Aguilar:** Thank you all for being here. **Carlos Lara:** Thanks to all the County personnel for giving us all the helpful information. **Diana Martin:** Attending the meeting at RTA for people with disabilities and will bring back a report next meeting. **Rogelio Sesmas:** No comment.

9.0 Future Agenda Items

Date of proposed next meeting, **January 7th, 2016** 6pm @ Moses-Schaffer Community Center

Adjournment: Jackie McDonald moved, Mrs. Moses seconded, vote unanimous

Meeting adjourned: 8:04pm

Attendance: 23 and others