

MEAD VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

July 10th, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

MEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Clark & Oakwood Streets, Mead Valley, CA 92570

MINUTES

0.0 Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance

1.0 Roll Call: Tony Davila (Chairperson), Paz Trevino (Vice-Chairperson), John Byrns (Secretary), Douglass Miller (Member), Ali Mazarei (Member), Charles Romero (Alt), and Rogelio Rawlins (Alt)
– All Present

2.0 Approval of Minutes: June 12th 2013 – Moved/Seconded/Approved

3.0 Public Safety Updates:

3.1 Riverside County Sheriff's Department: Lt. Horton

Contact Email: JNHorton@riversidesheriff.org

Statistics for June 2012 & 2013, Residential Burglaries and Petty Thefts have decreased by half; Commercial Burglaries and Metal Thefts have stayed the same.

The little boy that was missing in Menifee has been found on the family's property. There is an ongoing investigation and it appears to be a family related incident.

When Deputies come out to investigate a matter reported and it is felt that a second look is needed, Contact Lt. Horton for information and possibly other resources available.

Riverside County Sheriff's Department is hiring. See *JoinRSD.org*

3.2 Riverside County Fire Department: Could not attend due to funerals for Arizona Firefighters (Excused)

3.3 Code Enforcement: Officer Payne

Contact Phone Number: 951/776-3233

The Mead Valley Office has lost 3 more Officers, due to layoffs, and is shorthanded.

Working with EDA on a Beautification Program for trash bins to help people clean up their property. In addition, possible demo work for the elderly and disabled. Call for an application.

Were able to do a lot of roadside clean up with the Work Release Program, but due to cutbacks are now unable to continue doing so on a regular basis.

Report trash dumped on the roadside to Code Enforcement and/or Dept. of Transportation.

DAVILA states that if you see illegal dumping, DO NOT APPROACH, instead write down a License Plate or a Company Name from off the vehicle and report it to Code Enforcement.

4.0 New Business:

4.1 Joint "Town Hall" Meeting on October 10th (cancel 10/9/13 meeting?): There will be a joint Town Hall meeting with Woodcrest and Good Hope on October 10th 6:00 PM at the new Mead Valley Community Center. It is proposed that regular MAC meeting, scheduled for the day before, be cancelled. - APPROVED

4.2 MAC Meeting "Dark" for December: In consideration of the holiday season, it is proposed not to have a MAC meeting in December. - APPROVED

5.0 Public Comments:

- Elodra Zuniga, Resident of Perry Street: (Spoken in Spanish, Translated by RAWLINS), Wants to know why Perry Street was not paved when the neighboring streets were.
- Martha Davis: Wants to know when the new Community Center will be open for the Public and if the Doctor Services will be available there.
KETCHAM informs that the tentative opening date is July 27th and the Doctor Services will be available at the new Center.
- Yolanda Williams, Buffalo Soldiers Heritage Association: July 20th 10am-3pm, Skip Fordyce Harley-Davidson (7688 Indiana Ave., Riverside) is holding the 4th Annual Fund Raiser to build a memorial in honor of the 9th & 10th Calvary Buffalo Soldiers, to be established at Riverside National Cemetery. Requesting everybody's support. It is a Free Event.

Perris Valley Chamber of Commerce & Rotary Club: Sponsoring a Truck Raffle for a 2014 Chevrolet Silverado Pick-Up Truck, on display at the ARCO gas station, Tickets are \$2.00.

Community Park: Wants help from the community to raise funds to build the Park.

- Jim Hatfield, Traffic Control: States that the signal lights are not working properly, causing excess traffic, and would like to have someone from Dept. of Transportation out to re-time the lights.
- Ana Gomez, volunteer, Yoga/Zumba Instructor: Hopes to continue Zumba classes over at the new Community Center because she believes good Mother's, that have a healthy Body, Mind & Soul, will bear strong and intelligent children for the community.
- Ana Gomez, East Hills Missionary Community Church: Helps the community by donating food and presents during the holiday season, as well as provide back to school supplies for the children that don't have any way to get them otherwise. Hopes that they will be able to continue these programs at the new Community Center.
- Gloria Hernandez, volunteer, Community Center: Wants to know what is going to happen to the Community Center programs during the time between FSA leaving and the new Center opening. DAVILA thanks Ms. Hernandez and all of the other volunteers that participated in doing the Senior Commodities. Mentions it took less than 1 hour to serve approximately 75 seniors.
- Gerardo Avila, Building Permits: Wants to see fees lowered so there will be more development in the community, raising property values. Suggests that there be a microphone for speakers at the MAC meetings, so that everyone can hear what is being said. DAVILA mentions that Supervisor Jeffries is working on clearing the red tape to get Mead Valley developed, including lowering the permit fees.
- Ignacio Ruvalcaba: (Spoken in Spanish, Translated by RAWLINS) Appreciates the new Supervisor, the MAC Board and its function. Also appreciates that there seems to be a lot being done for change.
- Angel Castillo, 10 year resident: Is happy to be living in the Mead Valley community.
- Pepe Del Rio, 13 year volunteer, Community Center: Has a message that "We All Need to Work Together, Not Against Each Other". DAVILA recognizes & thanks Mr. Pepe for all of the hard work he does at the Community Center.
- Rosa Vasquez, Librarian: Summer Reading Program has begun, it is All Ages; there will be prizes for the children and a raffle for the adults. The next Friends of the Library Interest Group Meeting will be on August 21st 6pm @ the Library. (Repeated in Spanish)

6.0 Report from Supervisor Kevin Jeffries' office:

6.1 Thomas Ketcham, Legislative Assistant to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries:

Temporary Community Center – FSA will no longer be operating the Temporary Community Center after July 12th. Introduces Stewart Graves, Lincoln Cooper, and Len Cooper of "The Concerned Family". This organization that will be running the Temporary Center from July 15th until the new Center opens. Stewart Graves: Hopes to provide the same level of service, if not better over time. Len Cooper: Reiterated Pepe's message of "We need to work together". Knows there will be a disruption but that their goal is to have as little disruption as possible and they are looking forward to serving the community. Lincoln Cooper: States that he and his group of dedicated volunteers are here because they care and want to make a difference in the community. Also, that The Concerned Family has been operating for 25 years and they do their work for Jesus because he shed his blood for all of us.

New Community Center – Some services that will be offered are Dentist, Doctors, Childcare, and DPSS. The County will not be able to transition everybody over and give them their own room or office, but everybody will be able to use the big room. A County employee will be assigned full time to run the Center.

Road Paving – Around Perry Street is where the experimental paving concept is being tested; creating a simple road with no sidewalks, curbs, or gutters. So far it seems to be working for regular car traffic but not for tractor truck traffic. If it pans out, more roads will be paved.

Community Park – Right now the Park is a Want VS a Need. The County Needs to get the new Community Center open and make sure it stays open. As times get better, maybe the County will be able to look at putting in the Park.

Transportation – Dept. of Transportation will be out next week to see if there is something they can do about signal lights. Rider Street will be repaved after the Community Center is completed.

Pepe Del Rio – Thanks Pepe for his 13 years of dedication to the community and hopes he will stay on to volunteer with The Concerned Family.

Return Phone Calls – Expresses that he will get back to anyone that leaves him a message, as soon as possible. As a backup suggests that community get in touch with the MAC Board Members and utilize them to voice concerns as well.

Right of Ways & Dedicated Roads – The County maintains 30ft from the center line of each road as a County Right of Way for utilities to do what they need to, so they can provide services. Just because there is a road does not necessarily mean it has been dedicated to the County and sometimes dedicated roads are not accepted by the Board of Supervisors and therefore do not make it into the County system.

7.0 Mead Valley MAC Board Member Comments:

- John Byrns: Tells the people of the Valley that he believes it's a proven fact their children are being raised right, they have good morals, and education. Asks for the community to give Supervisor Jeffries a chance, funnel their concerns through Mr. Ketcham, don't get a sour note, and give them an opportunity to see what they can do. Would like to see Dept. of Transportation and the Building Dept. at a future meeting.
- Doug Miller: Remarks about how we are coming along out here with the new Fire Station, the new Library/Multiuse Facility, and a Community Center that looks like the Taj Mahal. Says we should be thankful for it and all work together. Would like to have Dept. of Transportation out to talk about the condition of our streets, but that we can't get everything fixed today.
- Charles Romero: Asks for the community to support the Library and attend the August 21st Friends of the Library Meeting. Would like to see someone from the Planning Dept. regarding the 20ft & 40ft. storage containers.
- Tony Davila: Reminds everyone that after Board Member Comments, the community will have a chance to voice ideas, topics, and make requests for future agenda items. Thanks Concerned Family for stepping in and helping the community. Thanks FSA and the volunteers; compliments how well they managed distribution of the senior commodities that morning. Introduces Corrin Condran as a community volunteer and that the Board will be utilizing her services for help with their record keeping. Thanks Paz Trevino for donating a computer set-up to Ms. Condran for that purpose and thanks Mr. Ketcham for his help getting the software installed.
- Paz Trevino: Thanks everyone for coming and states that these meetings are important. Encourages the community to attend on a regular basis, speak up, and voice their concerns because that is the only way to get things done. No suggestions for a future agenda at this time.
- Ali Mazarei: States that education and community involvement is the key. Worked with Castrol to print the flyers with date, time, and location of the MAC meetings for Mead Valley, Woodcrest, Good Hope, & RAGLM. Encourages community involvement.
- Rogelio Rawlins: No Comment.

8.0 Future Agenda Items:

- Public Suggestions
- Planning Commission
- Irene Morales from Inland County Legal Services

Date of proposed next Meeting, August 14th, 2013, 6pm @ Mead Valley Community Library

Adjournment

Attendance 90