



**Redwood Valley Municipal Advisory Council
Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
June 12, 2019 05:00 PM
8650 East Rd - P.O Box 243 Redwood Valley 95470
<http://www.redwoodvalleymac.com/>**

Chair Chris Boyd • Vice-Chair Sheilah Rogers • Secretary Sandra Berman • Treasurer Katrina Frey • Alex de Grassi • Jini Reynolds • Debra Ramirez • Alternate Member Marybeth Kelly • Alternate Member Dolly Riley

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 am by Chair Chris Boyd.

A. Introductions

2. Treasurer Katrina Frey motioned to approve. A second was made by Vice-Chair Sheilah Rogers.

The motion failed with the following vote:

In Favor **Opposed**
 Abstained **Absent**

3. Swearing-in of New Members; Continuing Terms.

4. Public Comments

Marybeth, Debra, Katrina, Dolly, and Jini sworn in. Sandra was sworn in at an earlier time (she is now home with her new twins.)

Project Manager for CalTrans, Cathy McKeon The Calpella project (replacement of bridges) and would like to know if MAC would like an informal presentation and use the MAC as a forum for the public meeting. Public hearing will be in October, open up October 1 to allow 30 days for Public Hearing. They want to get any input from the community prior to the project. MAC way to get to heart of community and that's important to them. Boyd and Cathy will speak about making a special meeting for a presentation. Chris Boyd will be calling Cathy and will be planning a meeting in September and whether to use the MAC or another venue for forum.

A member of the public attended the Hopland MAC meeting and he was here to report what their issues were; downtown plan, school, traffic, and Flow Kana spoke about their latest acquisition of the Solar Living Institute and working on ways to bring more people and tourism to Hopland. Julie Golden is chair of Hopland MAC, Mitch Franklin is Hopland Fire Chief. It was suggested that the MACs of Mendocino County increase their coordination.

5. Report from County Staff

Brent Shultz and Darci Antle reported back that after a member of the public complained about 901 and 891 School Way parcels about parking and other problems Planning and Building services conducted a code enforcement inspection. The site zoned I1 (Industrial) violations were noted in 2007, but none currently upon this inspection. I1 allows a caretaker unit, and the business has as current business license. Supervisor Browne suggested that the MAC send a letter to supervisors McGowan, Haschak because they are representatives to the Northcoast Railroad Authority and Boyd has been tasked with sending this letter due to concerns that there might be violations relative to the railroad easement. Carre Browne suggests the MAC to write to the two BOS Johns who supervisors who sit on the Northcoast railroad authority.

A meeting regarding the Great Redwood Trail, a pedestrian trail going from Marin County to Humboldt County, will occur on June 22 with California State Senator McGuire. Sheilah will attend on behalf of the MAC. The website for further information is www.thegreatredwoodtrail.org.

Other topics discussed included fire observation cameras, sirens, debri removal, hazardous tree removal, and other grant funded fire safety projects being pursued and/or implemented by the county. MCOG Mendocino County Organization of

Governments is working on a grant to inventory all the single access routes to residential areas within the county.

Redwood Valley Water Project to repair water district damage is in the design phase, with construction scheduled to start this fall under the administration of the Department of Transportation.

The Mendocino Fire Safe Council has two chippers. North Coast Opportunities has provided \$8000 grant to the Mendocino Fire Safe Council to research a permanent chipper program in the county. Issues to be dealt with include insurance, training, siting, operations, and other costs.

Regarding the Potter Valley Water Project PVWP Janet Pauli and Carre Brown are the the negotiators for the 5 agency consortium. The agency provided \$50-\$100,000 to each in funding. A notice of intent to undertake the PVWP operations is due to the FERC Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in early July. PGE had stopped all of their studies (\$11 million) so they are now incomplete. US Representative Huffman and Trout Unlimited are participating in the project, and a Joint Powers Authority has been formed. For more information see www.mendoiwpc.com

Fire Recovery and Issues - Brent Shultz said he would forward BOS report on status of rebuild. Here are the statistics that were forwarded to Boyd:

Permits for the Redwood Complex Fire 2017 (Redwood Valley)

Administrative Permits to Place RVs on private property

74 applied for

69 issued

2 withdrawn

1 on hold for further information

1 pending review

Building Permits Issued

178 permits issued

25 permits in queue

Breakdown of permits issued:

80 Single family residences

52 manufactured homes

46 accessory buildings (garages, sheds, barns)

Building Permits Finalized

85 permits total

34 manufactured homes

25 single family residences

26 accessory bldgs. (including garage/storage bldgs.)

6. **Development Review Subcommittee: Alex, Debra, and Marybeth**

motioned to approve. A second was made by . The roll call vote:

Much discussion of various permit projects Debra expressed concern with being responsive to the many permits forwarded from the county and requested to withdraw from the sub committee and Jini Reynolds joined the committee in her stead. Many of the permit and variance requests deal with cannabis, especially setback requirements and most MAC members are concerned with amount of time these take when very few members of the public are interested. Additionally, county turnaround times for comments often conflict with MAC meeting dates (for example the MAC will not be meeting in July and August this summer). Carre and Brent expressed concerns about any delays of projects that result in customer complaints. Therefore, the MAC has tasked a Development Review Subcommittee with continuing to monitor referrals from the county and highlighting to all MAC members if in their view particular projects might require a special MAC meetings (for public notice).

7. **North Coast Pedestrian Project Report.**

5 projects for Redwood Valley! For more information see www.mendopedestrian.org

8. **May 14 Community Plan Supper/Town Hall Meeting Review.**

Even though costs were high the MAC agrees the high attendance justifies the cost. Marybeth volunteered to update the address list based on returned postcards.

Vote of attendees indicated that postcards were the most effective means of notification to the public. Only a few attendees identified newspaper or radio spots as their source of information.

9. **MAC Officer status; activities over the summer; suspension of July and August meetings.**

Boyd again reiterated that she will step down from the Chair position if the MAC chooses and another person is interested in stepping up.

Sheilah will not be running for Vice Chair again.

Katrina is happy to continue to be Treasurer.

Sheilah suggested revamping the secretary position to include marketing and engage more in meetings.

All members should consider if they would like to serve as Chair or Vice Chair and we can reconvene in September.

10. 1. Katrina budget report: All monies \$2500 from county has been expended for fiscal year 2018-2019 and a new fiscal year begins July 1.

\$9,200 remains in the PGE \$10,000 planning grant; and \$400 remains from the Community Foundation grant.

Budget expenditures for the May Community Plan meeting included \$430 printing, \$489 to print post cards, and \$700 for postage, and \$75 for artist fees. Chris Boyd wrote all the PSA (no charge).

Dolly is concerned about insecticide spraying in Redwood Valley including glyphosate (Round Up). Other MAC members share her concerns and request agenda item for September 11 MAC meeting.

MAC will go dark for July and August and will meet on September 11 unless a special meeting is called.

Marybeth looked into back-flow testing has been happening and making RV water tastes terrible.

Marybeth called about the status of school on School Way needing clean-up maintenance.

11. **Adjournment**

Chris adjourns 7:22 pm