



**Redwood Valley Municipal Advisory Council  
Minutes  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
September 11, 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 5:00 pm by Chair Chris Boyd.

**A. Introductions and Guests**

Chris Boyd-Chair, Sheilah Rogers-Vice Chair, Alex de Grassi-Member, Jini Reynolds-Alternate Member, Marybeth Kelly-Alternate Member, Stef Chen-Welch-Interim Secretary by appointment, Dolly Riley-Absent, Katrina Frey-Absent, Members of the community: Jon and Gizmo

**2. Jini Reynolds motioned to approve. A second was made by Vice-Chair Sheilah Rogers.**

The motion passed with the following vote:

6 **In Favor**   0 **Opposed**  
    **Abstained**       **Absent**

Approval of Minutes pending technical edits.

**3. Public Comments**

Member of public proposes that we write a letter to fire department to clean up the vacant school on School Way. Chris suggests that the member of the public calls the school district. On September 29th at Barra in Redwood Valley there will be the Western Hills Fire Benefit.

Chris makes comment that Round Valley has formed their own MAC.

**4. Report from County Staff**

Jini Reynolds motioned to approve. A second was made by Alternate Member Marybeth Kelly.

The motion passed with the following vote:

6 **In Favor**   0 **Opposed**  
    **Abstained**       **Absent**

No County Staff present.

Marybeth Kelly provided info sheet from Danielle Sands on permit stats for rebuild.

Economic Development Finance Corp provided grants for economic development after the October 2017 Fire. Heather Gerwitz would like to attend our January meeting to do a visioning session so that the county plan for recovery and resiliency and will reflect General Plan. Jini suggested extending the meeting and marketing the meeting for more attendance. The deadline for Heather is April 2020.

Healthy Mendocino committee reached out to Sheilah for Redwood Valley feedback. There are veterans and elder populations that are not succeeding in decent housing. MROC helps pair up people who have been displaced from the fire. Major recognized issue is the poverty group under 6 different groups. Poverty alleviation is the group that Sheilah is referring to.

Dead/burned trees on property with absentee landowners. Carre Browne asked us to write to the county and ask if there are any regulations/infrastructure for cleaning up dead/burned trees. Economic recovery and resiliency plan can focus on making fire prevention and clean up a priority, as well. Letter can make emailed to Director of Recovery Nash Gonzalez, Carre Brown, CEO, and CC the Fire Department. If nothing at the county level inquire with State Department.

There have been grants and grants supposedly awarded, but no action has taken place. No available and functioning chippers, equipment, etc. There still needs to be a study done on chipper program.

Sheilah will write a letter addressing 3 main issues:

1. absentee owners who are unaware of their fire hazards and 2. if there are any regulation.
3. If not, look at statewide regulation or activity.

Motion was made that Sheilah will compose letter and give a week for feedback.

Marybeth makes announcement that fire cameras are starting to be installed. Need a county report about the cameras.

Chris will write a memo and inquire with the county.

Marybeth printed info about Potter Valley Water Project.

Janet Pauli.

Kit Elliot County Council will be leaving.

Senate Bill 801234

**5. Development Review Subcommittee: Alex, Marybeth, Jini.**

3 permits issued on the agency referral on the government page of the website. First, AP to bump from Type 1 to Type 2 of cannabis cultivation off of Bel Arbes. Second, variance permit to change setback from 50 feet to 7 feet, Class K permit and Ag permit for existing barn. Third, Tri County Development Inc rezoning from C1 to C2 on North State Street for cannabis.

**6. The RV Plan Final Draft.**

Promised another meeting in the Fall. Nash said the plan was too short. Boyd is hesitant to accept the plan "as is" since Nash said it was too short. Boyd wants to send the plan around again. Examples: Ratio of window to solid wall. South facing roofs must have solar, etc. Get plan and guidelines out to the community again for another meeting.

de Grassi proposes to pick a date and then the Development Committee will meet and provide a framework and then reach out to the public. Use PGE money for postcards etc. November 6th community meeting.

Will make contact with Cliff.

Development will have a report for meeting on October 9th.

**7. Economic Development Finance Corporation--Local Entrepreneurial Ecosystem (LEE) survey. Sheilah.**

Economic Development Finance Corporation - economic and local enterprise survey. Sheilah working with Joel Sojnila and she is interacting with stakeholders as they have an idea of what resources are available for entrepreneurs in the county and support for an entrepreneur ecosystem.

5 C's Coaching, Capital, Connections to markets and networks, Climate, Culture. Deadline for answering online survey is Sept 30. Sheilah will send by link and send hard copy to Gizmo.

**8. Public Safety, CERT Training, and Firesafe Councils--What next for the MAC?**

Marybeth interested in CERT training and having a training in Redwood Valley and learning how to form Fire Safe Councils.

**9. MAC Administrative Matters.**

Anyone interested in Chair or Vice Chair positions and Sheilah proposes to talk about this at another time when more of us are present.

Alex voiced that he is not interested in either positions.

Marybeth asked if she can promote positions online.

Sheilah said she wants to have a paid non-member secretary so that all MAC members can contribute more.

Jini expresses she would be interested in Vice Chair and Dolly could be Chair.

Katrina will remain treasurer.

**10. Alex - Issue of Home Insurance wants to put it on the next agenda**

Sheilah - Phoenix Project October 5th Community Event, Play and Dinner at Mendo College

Chris sent a letter about Railroad Easement

Jini Women and Music Oct 5th

Adjourned at 7:04 pm

**11. Next meetings; Adjournment**