



**Redwood Valley Municipal Advisory Council
Minutes
Regular Meeting
December 11, 2019 05:00 PM
The RV Grange, 8650 East Rd., Redwood Valley, Ca. 95470
<http://www.redwoodvalleymac.com/>**

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

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by .

A. Introductions and Guests

Present were Marybeth, Alex, Christine, Sheilah, Katrina, and Dolly. Absent were Jini and Debra.

2. motioned to approve. A second was made by .

The motion passed with the following vote:

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

Members voted to accept Minutes of November 13, 2019.

3. Public Comments

James Green, 1st District Supervisor candidate, spoke about fire safety. He stated that he is a member of the Mendocino Fire Safe Council, and also the Lower Deerwood FSC which was successful in writing grants to clean up fuel on Redemeyer Road. He wanted to let us know he will try to help Redwood Valley get best prepared. James said that there are 2 FSC's in the county that are Firewise certified: Black Bart and Sherwood FSC's.

4. Report from County on current events.

Invitations were sent but the County declined to answer. There was nothing to report about the March 3rd election or Recovery news.

In relevance to the Sheriff substation on East Rd, a newspaper article was read by Christine Boyd that called for bids on replacing flooring for a Sheriff substation on East Rd.

Marybeth Kelly was tasked with asking CalTrans when the community meeting for the Calpella Bridge would be.

Sheila Rogers says there is no time to make the Dec 16th grant deadline.

Steve "Gizmo" Henderson asked if anyone was taking the lead on resubmitting the previously failed grant application for the Tomki stream crossing.

Sheilah Rogers talked about EDFC (Economic Development & Financing Corp) and the opportunity to move our Community Plan forward; the Economic Recovery and Resiliency Plan; Heather Gurewitz, the Executive Director of EDFC will do a future presentation to the MAC.

Marybeth asked about the County chippers and a discussion followed.

Christine Boyd has asked Supervisor Carre Brown if the MAC can be a focal point, yet still not be politically oriented regarding a possible Q&A session for the 1st District Supervisor candidates.

No Action

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

Alex D. reported on one pending permit for a cell tower upgrade near Finne Drive.

6. The RV Plan Town Hall Meeting December 4, 2019.

Alex D. shared that the group was very engaged and focused. Sheila R. talked about the Economic Development and Resiliency Plan and the General Plan. Gizmo was part of the Environmental Group, and stated that plans should involve animals, not just plant life. Marybeth reported the postcard mailing cost \$1430.15, which was less than what it cost last time due to weeding out duplicate addresses.

7. MAC Administrative Matters.

A.

motioned to approve. A second was made by .

The motion passed with the following vote:

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

The vote above relates to the hiring of Deven Castanon in a secretarial capacity. Deven Castanon introduced himself: AA in Liberal Arts, 20+ years in RV, now lives in Talmage. Deven has no experience doing this but has ideas and would like to do it. Jon Kennedy told him about BrownActMeeting.com, and said he would help him. Marybeth made a motion to appoint Deven C. to Secretary position. Sheila R. seconded. Motion passed unanimously. There was a discussion about whether the pay is monthly or quarterly. The rate of pay is \$18/hour with a maximum of 4 hours per month, including meeting time. Dolly R. read the by-laws describing what the Secretary does.

Due to the transition status of the Chief Officer, it was necessary to clarify that Dolly Riley would be creating the January agenda.

A new alternate member is needed now that Sandra Berman has resigned.

Christine Boyd wrote a nice letter to Stefanie Chen-Welch thanking her for her service, since she did not accept pay for her time as temporary secretary. The county won't reimburse for gift cards, so folks used personal donations instead for the gift card. Christine also wrote a letter to Flow-Kana

Marybeth will be obtaining business cards for board members while Christine obtains stationary.

The treasurer reported \$9658.68 in account for the Redwood Valley MAC.

Dolly Riley reported that the Brown Act/Ethics training is required for all board members every 2 years according to AB1234.

8. Reports and Announcements from MAC officers and members.

Marybeth relayed what she had learned about Sheriff training happening at the abandoned Redwood Valley School. They use it regularly for SWAT and K9 training. Latrine facilities not available on site. The classrooms appear to be still full of furniture and old computers. She will ask Ukiah Unified School District (UUSD) for an update on the status of the site.

9. Next meeting and dates; Adjournment.