

GOOD HOPE/ MEADOWBROOK

MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COOUNCIL,

May 5, 2016 6PM, THURSDAY

MOSES-SCHAFFER COMMUNITY CENTER

21565 STEELE PEAK DRIVE, GOOD HOPE

0.0 CALL TO ORDER –Meeting called to order at 6:09 pm by Chair, Carlos Lara. Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.0 Roll Call – Carlos Lara (Chair), Jackie McDonald (Secretary), Willie Moses(Member), Giovanni Aguilar (Alternate) – Present, Rogelio Sesmas, , Diana Martin (Vice-Chair) – absent, excused.

2.0 Approval of Minutes – Mrs. Moses moved, Giovanni seconded: vote unanimous to approve.

3.0 Public Safety Updates

3.1 Riverside County Sheriff’s Department – Sgt. Todd Grimm – Watch Commander for the area. No Stats were available. There are only three (3) deputies available for this area. Most crimes in this area are opportunistic, make sure you keep your vehicle locked, and call in any suspicious activity.

3.2 Riverside County Fire Department – Capt. Steve De la Hoya/fire Station #9 April Stats: 46 Total calls: 34 emergency medical, 4 false alarms, 1 public service assist, 1 residential structure fire, 1 standby, 3 traffic, and 2 vehicle fires. Inspections are starting now for weed abatement. Clear your property –2 zones: 0 – 30’ clear all dead or drying vegetation around buildings, 30 – 100’ or to the property line (thin out vegetation, trim trees off the ground, move wood piles away from the house). Prepare for fire season, which is basically year round, but more dangerous at this time. Fire Dept. will come to your home to show you what you need to do. There is a website: readyforwildfire.org. If you have any questions come to the fire station; open 7 days/ week, 8 am – 5 pm.

3.3 Code Enforcement – Officer Lori Lyon – Marijuana task force was on hold for 30 days, they've done tremendous work, but is picking up again. Dispensaries are moving from place to place, and being fined is a long process. County council is working to get rid of them. **Question:** *Mrs. Moses: Code was supposed to be changing days, weekend vending at Marshall and Ellis is continuing. They are setting up at dusk. Answer: Code cannot work past dark anymore. And there's not much they can do. Usually the vendors have no ID and there's no way to enforce the citations. We take the food when we catch them.* Discussion ensued concerning the lack of enforcement and the fact that code can't do anything about illegal vendors selling food. Code must actually see them selling the food. Mrs. Moses: If we have rules that are not working we need to do something about that. We are here meeting to try to bring about changes in the neighborhood, if nothing can be done why are we here?

4.0 New Business

4.1 Riverside County Parks Dept./District [Center/Park updates] – Stephanie, Thank you everyone for coming and thank you to everyone who brought a dish. I am speaking about what's going on at the center. We have cardio here Monday – Thursday 9:30 am – 10:30 am. We have senior game days, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11am to 12noon. We have free senior lunches every day from noon until 1 pm. Please call the day before to reserve your lunch. Commodities are distributed the second (2nd) Tuesday each month. Saturday, May 21st there will be a talent show, with games and food and thank you to the Community Action Partnership for donations to supply the food.

4.3 Riverside County Transportation Commission – Cheryl Donahue – Information on the I 215 Corridor, which is basically completed and night closures will end within the next month or so. The 74/215 interchange was completed about 4 years ago. The Perris Valley Metrolink Line: Trains will be on the tracks for 2 weeks for the final safety checks. First weekend in June opening with free trains the first week and discounted service for a number of months. There will be 3 morning trains to Los Angeles starting at about 4:35 am, about 3 hours to Union station @ \$10.00/day during the promotional period; from 1 station to the next is \$3.00. Visit the Metrolink website for more information. RCTC highest priority is safety. Every 3 hours a person or car is hit by a train in the US. Think: "See tracks think train." There will be security at each station. Visit rctc.org or call 951 787-7141.

4.2 Clinica Medica Y Familiar [Dr. Javier Rios] – (Note: Dr. Rios did not speak until after Jeff Pedersen) Mead Valley Clinic is located on the 2nd floor of the Mead Valley Community center. His specialty is geriatrics. Office hours: Monday through Thursday, from 9 am to 5 pm.

5.0 Public Comments – None.

6.0 Legislative Reports

6.1 Field Representative for Assemblywoman Melissa Melendez – Jeff Pedersen - Updates: Proposed to defund the high speed rail and use the money for road improvements. It did not make it out of Committee (transportation). AB 2040 – Drought Friendly Landscaping Tax Credit – will provide a state income tax credit to residents who install drought friendly landscaping. The assemblywoman’s coffee will be held May 19th at 6:30 pm at the Links Restaurant in Lake Elsinore. Question re; artificial turf rebate. Answer: It takes some time before you get the rebate. Question and discussion re: Frontier Communications who took over Verizon and why they have been allowed for the past three months, to not supply the services residents are paying for. “It is a private company and there’s not much that can be done.” This answer was unacceptable as there are regulations. Residents should contact the CPUC and the FCC to make complaints.

7.0 Report from Supervisor Kevin Jeffries’ Office

7.1 Thomas C. Ketcham, Legislative Analyst to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries – Introduced **Carolyn from Waste Management** (the Cupcake Lady, who brought fried chicken to the Pot Luck this evening). The most underused benefit: Bulky item collection. Old tvs and electronic waste is now a part of bulky item collection. Call 24 hrs before pick-up day to schedule. Introduced Noland Turnedge from Grove Community Church: the first of many Community events will be held May 25th, 10 am to 2 pm consisting of the Mobile Medical Clinic, free food, games, bounce house and raffle giveaways.

Tom: Thanks to Nolan for providing the Pancakes for our Breakfast with Santa, and to Dr. Rios who helps out in the Community. The Highway 74 meetings have been completed. County will now compile all information. Volunteer program: COPS – Citizens on Patrol, a Sheriff Dept program. The dept will do training and background checks. It will take about 6 months to become certified. We still need volunteer code

enforcement participants from this area. There are only 2 officers in this area. Volunteer code officers will work in areas other than where they live. Food trucks are now legal in Riverside County. To date 5 trucks have applied for the permit. Homelessness is a big issue in the area; however if asked if they want assistance and they say no, there's nothing we can do. Post Road is done with the exception of speed signs. A speed survey will be done. People are not stopping at stop signs, so CHP patrols will increase. We are dark in June. The next meeting will be July 7th at 6 pm. Question about the Fire "fee": Fill out the form on line and if the fee is repealed you'll get your money back. Website: FIREtaxprotest.org. There's a video on the supervisor's website about the Budget. Watch the video to understand the process.

8.0 Good Hope/Meadowbrook MAC Board Member comments –

Giovanny: Thank you for showing up.

Jackie:

1. Loaded Semi trucks are using our street, sometimes at night and dropping the load in the back field behind Spring Street. It appears to be outside storage. I have not seen any recent Public Notices about building anything or zone changes. Our Street does not seem able to handle the weight that's put on it by these trucks. Can someone look into this?
2. Animal Control is issuing tickets for dogs that *are* licensed because their records are not correct. Once you are cited they want you pay up front and if you prove them wrong, they'll return your money.
3. Frontier Communications: Since they took over for Verizon Fios, service has been bad. Our telephones are not working properly, television not working, and the internet working only sporadically. There's no way this should be happening to us and nothing being done about it. How did the PUC allow this to happen? We pay a Riverside County franchise fee of \$6.40 per month, Riverside County Lc1 sales tax .20/month and Riverside County sales tax of .50/month for a total of \$7.19/month. This is over and above the state sales tax. We need the county to get involved and help us fix this.
4. Anyone who plans on voting in the June primary and is not registered has until May 23rd to do so. I have registration forms.
5. Finally, "The vote is precious. It is almost sacred. It's the most powerful non-violent tool we have in a democratic society and we've got to use it." – Rep. John Lewis
6. Finally HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY to all the mothers.

Carlos : Thank you all for coming out and thanks for picking up the dumped mattress.

9.0 Future Agenda Items –

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

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

Meeting adjourned 7:44 pm. Attendance: 29 and others