

GOOD HOPE/ MEADOWBROOK

MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

January 7, 2016 6:00PM, Thursday

**MOSES-SCHAFER COMMUNITY CENTER**

**21565 STEELE PEAKE DRIVE, GOOD HOPE**

**0.0 Call TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 6:08 pm by Chair, Carlos Lara. Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**2.0 Approval of Minutes:** Diana Martin, moved, Mrs. Moses seconded: Vote unanimous to approve.

**3.0 Public Safety Updates:**

**3.1 Riverside County Sheriff's Lt. Joseph Pemberton** - Worked at the County Emergency Operation Center for 12 hours, for El Nino, along with resources from all departments in the County. There are sandbags available at sheriff's stations, you can pick up a couple of dozen; Elsinore station does not have sand, but it's better to be prepared and have the bags on hand. Stats: November and December had a high number of calls – more than usual – 435 for 2 months. The number one call: 415 noise and shots fired. You can help by asking for a call back when you call in your complaint. That ensures that the deputy actually makes a call and not just a drive-by. The second biggest increase in calls is thefts. There are a number of theft rings from L.A., with numerous stolen vehicles and burglary calls, from all over the District. Make sure you lock your vehicles and keep your property lit. Be diligent. He is available to answer questions.

**3.2 Riverside County Fire Department – Capt. Steven De La Hoya** - Stats for

<b>December</b>	<b>Annual</b>
<b>42 calls</b>	<b>604 calls</b>
<b>4 false alarms</b>	<b>26 false alarms</b>
<b>28 emergency medical</b>	<b>449 emergency medical</b>
<b>1 residential fire</b>	<b>23 misc fires</b>
<b>6 traffic</b>	<b>46 traffic</b>
<b>2 misc. fires</b>	<b>21 public assists</b>
<b>1 misc. public assists</b>	<b>7 wild land fires</b>
	<b>4 vehicle fires</b>
	<b>1 rescue</b>

**Total calls for Engine 9 - 932 which includes both Good Meadow and outside the area.**

Sandbags are still available. If you have an emergency need we will come out to help you dig. 2,000 sandbags were issued over the last month (December). There was a tragic fatality fire Christmas night. There was a tragic fatality traffic collision on Hwy 74 and Theda. Be careful on the road, especially when it's wet out. The burn ban has been lifted by the County fire chief. Tumbleweed burning must be Ok'd by AQMD. Come to the fire station to get the information to contact AQMD. Fire will do an inspection after AQMD approval. You also need a permit for a warming fire. Permits are free and will be valid for 30 days.

### **3.3 Code Enforcement – Unavailable**

## **4.0 New Business**

### **4.1 Supervisor Kevin Jeffries –**

Has been driving through the communities making sure all is well and the unincorporated county areas are not being neglected. City residents have numerous persons to service their citizens. There are 2.3 million people in Riverside County – 10<sup>th</sup> largest in the USA, with approximately 450,000 in the unincorporated areas. Station 9 fire is called out to other areas during emergencies and there is need to have back up when this happens, as well as the sheriff needs to have back up. The County budget is doing better, revenue has picked up, however spending is also rising. Working with all departments to make sure all areas are taken care of. As far as road paving in the area, it depends on how many houses are on a road to make it feasible to pave that road. Not interested in having wall to wall homes all over, likes the rural living, and does not wish Riverside to look like Los Angeles. *Question: Mr. Spigelmire: I live on a dirt road, do not want it paved, but can it be graded at some point?* Answer: County allowed the roads in but they did not accept roads, and therefore the county does not maintain those roads. *Question: Is there a road list? Post Road is an accepted road, but there is very little maintenance being done.* Answer: Road must be looked at to see who owns the road and who is responsible for its upkeep.

### **4.2 Riverside County Parks Dept. /District [Center/Park updates] –**

December happenings: Breakfast with Santa over 500 attendees, a lot went on including carnival games for the kids etc. Thanks to Giovanni for bringing in 26 volunteers. The Office on Aging raffled 30 Stater Brothers gift cards. Don't forget Senior lunches here daily from 12pm to 1pm. Commodities the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday each month, first come, first served. We have sandbags here if you need them, and the firefighters are not in the station.

### **4.3 Riverside County TLMA [Updates on El Nino permitting/clean up] –**

Wendell Bugati and Jorge Caballero – We are usually here to help with permitting issues, right now we're here about El Nino and its effects on your personal property. Handouts are available with dos and don'ts on how to clean out your drainages. Some don'ts: don't use heavy equipment (backhoe). That would require a permit. Don't work in flowing water. Don't use chemicals or pesticides. Do not remove vegetation during migratory bird season – March 1<sup>st</sup> to Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. There's been over 100 cases due to the rain and most have been resolved. Repairs can be made with no-cost permits. Drainages must be cleaned out by hand. County will assist if you need help. Now is the time to mitigate any problems. Discussion re: roads and drainage. *Question* about property flooded and now about ¼ is not usable for the purpose intended (build a barn). How does one get the property devalued with the mortgage company? TLMA can't do anything about your mortgage however check with the assessor about the property taxes. Or TMLA may help find a way, during the permit process to help you use that property as planned. *Question* re blue line streams, are under California Fish and Wildlife or the Army Corps. For a blockage in the blue line stream, Corps of Engineers should be contacted.

## **5.0 Public Comments: None**

## **6.0 Legislative Reports**

### **6.1 Field Representative for Assemblywoman Melissa Melendez –**

Deni Horne Introduced Jeff Pedersen who will be taking over this meeting beginning in February. Deni Horne will have the Office Manager position for the Assemblywoman. Legislature went back to Sacramento on Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>. Governor signed his budget today, January 7<sup>th</sup>, which was not

transportation friendly. The Assemblywoman will be reintroducing 3 pieces of legislation that were killed in committee last session. 1. Old Bill #AB150 – Gun theft Law - to reclassify gun theft as felony grand theft. 2. Whistle blower protection law for legislative employees. 3. Drought Friendly Landscaping Tax Credit. Sign up at the web site to receive updates from the Assemblywoman: [www.assembly.ca.gov/Melendez](http://www.assembly.ca.gov/Melendez) Re: marijuana Bill: County has done a great job with its ordinance against Marijuana. With the rains coming: Turn off your sprinklers! Save yourself some money and don't use your water for outside. The Assemblywoman will be doing her 2/month coffees. Make sure you get your email addresses in so you will know where she will be. Friday January 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am she will be at Pins & Pockets Bowling Alley on Mission Trail in Lake Ellsinore. Comment: A 55 gallon rain bucket catches quite a bit of water and it can be used for outdoor watering.

## **7.0 Report from Supervisor Kevin Jeffries' office**

**7.1 Thomas C. Ketcham, Legislative Analyst to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries** – Thank you every one for coming out tonight. First, thank you to Giovanny for bringing in the volunteers for the Breakfast with Santa, also for the 40 participants in the LISTOS class. Thanks to Parks: Ayeisha and Stephanie, and all of the people who showed up. Re: flooding, we've been out checking out the roads, some of which are horrible. But like the Supervisor said, we are trying to do as much as we can as fast as we can. There is a process for road paving: dedication, acceptance and maintenance. One other thing: if you see someone grading and you know them, ask if they have a permit. Otherwise call code enforcement or Tom. For planning or permits make sure you see Wendell or Jorge on the 14<sup>th</sup> floor, they will make the process a lot easier. They will get you all the way through the process. 4 "Welcome to Good Hope" signs are on the way, more fire station signs are going up in the neighborhood so people can find the station. Metrolink should be up the end of January, more likely end of February. Marijuana bill will be on the November ballot. Think this time it will pass. Governor signed the marijuana bill in December. Right now the county is sticking with the ordinance it passed. Medical patient may grow 12 or 24 plants under certain conditions. After November passage it will probably be grown in warehouses to eliminate the smell and other neighborhood nuisances.

## **8.0 Good Hope/Meadowbrook MAC Board Member Comments** –

**Jackie McDonald:** Information about the Valentine's Sweetheart Ball and Dinner, Sponsored by the Perris Valley Chamber of Commerce and Smooth Transition, Inc; benefitting Smooth Transition Senior Congregate Meal Program; Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> from 6pm until 10pm at the Mead Valley Community Center Banquet Hall. The cost is \$20.00 general and group rates are available. My quote this month: *"If you can't fly, then run; if you can't run, then walk; if you can't walk, then crawl; but, whatever you do, you have to keep moving forward."* – Martin Luther King Jr. **Mrs. Moses:** Wanted to talk about other people music: I am tired of listening to other people's music at all hours of the night. I was even informed at lunch today that it was still loud at sunrise. Something must be done! It stopped for a while but is now back with a vengeance. Police have been called and they came to my house wanting me to go out in the dark to show them where to go. As a taxpayer I am sick and tired of not being able to sleep in my own house and I want something done to stop it! People should be made to pay. **Diana Martin:** 1 Comment: Concerning Transportation, Dial-A-Ride, and Line 30, I was told that nothing was going to be done about Line 30 or making the Center a stop and that I should have Tom Ketcham speak for me before the Transportation Board concerning these issues. I will continue to attend meetings to bring the information back to the Community. **Giovanny Aguilar:** Thank you all for

coming and Happy New Year. **Carlos Lara:** Thankful to the County for being out doing the maintenance in the community.

### **9.0 Future Agenda Items**

Date of proposed next meeting February 4, 2016 6pm @ Moses-Schaffer Community Center.  
Adjournment: Jackie McDonald moved, Mrs. Moses seconded, vote unanimous

Meeting adjourned: 7:22pm Attendance: 25 and others