

ESPARTO CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
02/16/10

Attending: Colleen Fescenmeyer, Pat Harrison, John Hulsman Jr, Melissa Jordan, Giacomo Moris, Patrick Scribner.

Absent: None.

MEETING ADMINISTRATION

- 1) Call to order at 7:04 pm by Chair Jordan.
- 2) Agenda: **Motion** to approve agenda by J. Hulsman, Second by P. Scribner, all in favor, none opposed.
- 3) Introduction and Welcome to new/old Advisory Committee Members
 - a) P. Scribner – 2 years? Renewal.
 - b) C. Fescenmeyer – 2 years renewal.

P. Harrison arrived at 7:08

- 4) Election of Officers
 - a) **Chair – J. Hulsman** (Nominated by P. ~~Harrison~~Scribner, second by C. Fescenmeyer, all in favor, none opposed).
 - b) **Vice Chair – P. Scribner** (Nominated by C. Fescenmeyer, second by P. Harrison, all in favor, none opposed).
 - c) **Secretary – G. Moris** (Nominated by P. Scribner, second by P. Harrison, all in favor, none opposed).
- 5) Minutes of 1/19/10 meeting were presented for approval ~~deferred to next meeting.~~
 - a) J. Hulsman summarized comments from G. Moris and some of his own minor edits.
 - b) **Motion** to approve minutes by G. Moris, Second by P. Harrison, all in favor, none opposed.
- 6) Correspondence & Announcements:
 - a) M. Jordan – request for formal letter from the ECAC regarding lack of left turns (off Yolo Ave.)
 - b) M. Jordan - County request for funds for bike lane on Road 98 while our town “rots” with pot holes. She encouraged people to write to the County and Daily Democrat~~e~~.
 - c) Bunko, a fundraiser for Sober Grad night coming up.

PUBLIC FORUM

- 7) No comments

COUNTY UPDATE

- 8) County Update:
 - d) David Morrison noted the new casino expansion plans are similar but do not include the hotel and spa. “EIR” release expected in April.
 - e) David Morrison provided a summary of the County budget cutbacks:

- i) Planning & Building Division staff has gone from 20 to 10 due to the economy.
- ii) ~~Normal year for~~ Single family home permits – average is 75 per year, there were about 350 in 2005 ~~max~~, last year had 35.
- iii) County is a subdivision of the State and heavily reliant on state funding (80%). County estimating \$6M deficit, next year \$20M. CAO allocated potential reductions to each dept. Might have to cut 2-300 jobs (down 15% already at 13-1400).
- f) Next Tuesday Board of Supervisors meeting will have WYORCA and MERCESA for the grant application for the swimming pool / park on the school grounds. Abandonment of Bonyne st.
- g) G. Moris asked about tentative parcel maps expiring for Story, E. Parker, Orcioli? There have been extensions so they all have about another 2 years.

COMMUNITY UPDATES

9) None

ACTION ITEMS

10) Action Items

- a) Streetscape Project
 - i) P. Harrison spoke with Darlene Comingore at the County. Cal Trans decided on the no left turns. Map doesn't show arrows and their staff would interpret that as no left turns, but is not obvious to us.
 - ii) Left turn at the Burger barn is coming back as they are losing business.
 - iii) Left turn at Capay is not possible with the bulbout as designed (not enough width unless bulbout is eliminated?).
 - iv) P. Scribner agrees with many others that have commented that traffic has sped up with out the left turns.
 - v) P. Scribner – we should approach Cal Trans, it is their temporary system.
 - vi) C. Fescenmeyr – add bumps to bulb out so people don't drive over them.
 - vii) P. Harrison asked about the bus stop location / relocation – who is going to do it?
 - viii) There are 14 new signs along Yolo Avenue regarding no left turns.
 - ix) Discussion about sending a letter to Cal Trans, Daily Democrat, SACOG, Valley Voice? David Morrison – Direct it to the Streetscape Steering Committee would be appropriate.
 - (1) Include Sue Heitman from CVV.
 - (2) G. Moris suggested focusing only on the left turn issue.
 - (3) P. Harrison – ask why wasn't it brought to our attention.
 - (4) Motion by G. Moris to write a letter focusing on the left turns lost issue. Second by J. Hulsman. Discussion:
 - (a) Cc BOS
 - (b) M. Jordan - mention increase in vehicle speeds.
 - (c) All in favor, none opposed.
- b) Yolo County General Plan & FEMA maps
 - i) FEMA maps a big deal for Clarksburg, not Esparto.
 - ii) M. Jordan expressed her concerns about developing the parcel south of town as ~~desired for consideration and~~ approved by the Board of Supervisors in the General Plan.
 - iii)
 - iv) Supervisor district redraw.
 - (1) Need 40,000 people for a district.
 - (2) Unincorporated has about 20,000.
 - (3) 75% of voters in District 5 are in the cities of Woodland and Winters.

- v) General Plan adopted and has 530 implementation actions, including these 3 that David Morrison suggested the ECAC pay close attention to:
 - (1) Climate Action Plan (AB~~72, 352~~ 32)
 - (a) Regulating greenhouse gases via SACOG. Pledge to reduce to 80% ~~less than~~ of 1990 levels ~~by~~ 2050, using alternative energy, less reliance on cars, and denser development.
 - (b) 40% of carbon emissions are agricultural (fertilizer).
 - (c) 40% of future emissions are vehicular.
 - (2) Zoning Code Rewrite and ordinances for **industrial**, DMX, parking, etc.
 - (3) Updating local community plans – not anytime soon for Esparto as we have done this already recently.

- c) Standing Rules – Postponed until next meeting.

- d) Progress on stop sign on Road 85B at 21A. (Subject title reworded per J. Hulsman for clarity).
 - i) M. Jordan sent e-mails to Panos (County). David Morrison will follow up.

- e) Speed indicator signs on either side of high school.
 - i) P. Harrison noted in the conversation with Darlene Comingore that Darlene says they are no good and not needed.
 - ii) It was noted that the ones in Capay work (owned by Caltrans).
 - iii) C. Fescenmeyer to contact Caltrans.
 - iv) C. Fescenmeyer – **LED lights in lighted** crosswalk **might be an option**. P. Scribner added like the one at **Prarie Prairie** School.

- f) Pot holes, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, handicap accessibility
 - i) Expect pot holes to get worse. County does not control its road money (comes from State). Some roads are going back to gravel instead of chip-seal. Still waiting for state dollars owed since July. (70-80% of County Budget is Law Enforcement & Health).
 - ii) Can we do a community project with help from the local gravel plants? Liability?
 - iii) Can the pot hole repairs be a mitigation for Granites project pending? We should go the Board of Supervisors to request the help on this.

- g) Update of park plans and developer fees – Postpone until next meeting.

- 11) Future Agenda Items
 - a) Lamb Valley Slough Watershed Project
 - b) Speed indicator signs on County Road 21A (either side of middle school).
 - c) Park plans & Developer Fees
 - d) Standing Rules

12) Meeting adjourned at 9:02pm.

GLM
2/22/10