

MINUTES  
ESPARTO CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
Tuesday, June 18, 2019  
7:00 p.m.  
Esparto Regional Library  
17065 Yolo Ave, Esparto, CA 95627

Attending: Babs Beckwith, Susan Cooper, Pat Harrison, John Hulsman Jr, Randy Jacobs

Absent: Giacomo Moris, Sandie Reed

MEETING ADMINISTRATION

1. CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 p.m. by Chair J. Hulsman

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a) **Motion** by S. Cooper to approve the agenda. Second by P. Harrison.
- b) Vote: All in favor. None opposed.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- a) Minutes of May21, 2019:
  - i. R. Jacobs noted that the initial draft of the minutes needed a correction, although the specific correction couldn't be recalled. **Motion** by B. Beckwith to approve the minutes with R. Jacobs' correction. Second by R. Jacobs.
  - ii. Vote: All in favor. None opposed.
  - iii. In the initial draft, projector in item 9C was missing the r. This correction had been incorporated in the revised draft minutes presented for approval.

4. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) R. Jacobs noted that a lot of people are upset about the lack of safety during the CA-16 safety improvement project. There has been one and perhaps two head-on accidents in the work area.
- b) P. Harrison stated that the Chamber of Commerce and other organizations are holding a meeting in the Wintun Room of the library on Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of June at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the best way to work together for the good of the community.
- c) J. Hulsman reported that the Caltrans safety improvement to CA-16/Yolo Avenue is proceeding, if slowly. Caltrans is starting to appraise the affected properties.
- d) **R. Jacobs** noted that there will be a Christmas Tree planning meeting tomorrow at 6:00 p.m. in the Scout Cabin. *Post meeting note: this meeting was held on Thursday 6/20/19 (not Wednesday).*

PUBLIC FORUM

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- a) Daley Paterson of Granite Construction provided tentative information regarding the reconstruction of CR-87 from the Cache Creek Bridge north to CR-19. Work will start on 1 July. The road will be closed to traffic from 8 July to 1 August. The road will reopen to traffic on 2 August. During the closure, loaded haul trucks that would normally use CR-87 and CR-19 will use Yolo Avenue/CA-16 and CA-16 to reach I-505. There could be on the order of 200 loaded trucks per day. Empty trucks will take CR-21a to CR-85b to CA-16. Access to the Esparto Convenience Center will

be via CR-19a (Gottlob Mast Way) from CR-19. This plan is not yet approved, but it is the plan being put forward for approval.

- i. P. Harrison noted that the 3:00 a.m. backup beeps have returned. Daley Paterson said that he would look into it with the shop. They may have swapped out a loader with the quack backup warning for a standard loader with beeps.
- ii. S. Cooper inquired as to when the Capay Open Space Park would be expanded. Daley Paterson said that there was a deadline, but he was uncertain of the date.

- b) A man clutching a plastic shopping bag entered the Wintun Room, identified himself as Michael, and urged the attendees to be alert to backpacks. He warned that one never knows what they might contain. Thankfully, there were no backpacks in the Wintun Room and Michael left the meeting after delivering his warning.

#### 6. COUNTY UPDATE(none)

#### 7. ACTION ITEMS (none)

#### 8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a) Friends of the Esparto Regional Library. Jim Schulte gave a presentation on the role of the Friends of the Esparto Regional Library (FERL) and the many issues that organization has encountered working with the community, county, and school district. Both the county and the school district have had trouble getting information about the library and its programs to residents, teachers, and students. Many were unaware of the library and its various programs. Several efforts have been initiated to make students and teachers aware of the library and FERL programs. The library is the school library in addition to being a public library. The county's requests for money are a strain on the FERL budget. Most FERL money comes from donations, memorials and memberships, but a number of fundraising activities have been undertaken to increase the money available for programs. The library has a \$319,000 endowment, but that can only be used for construction. However, the interest on the endowment can be used for other things and is being used for the payment to the county. The only consistent bright spot is the support of the YochaDehe Wintun Nation. They granted \$36,000 to FERL to modernize the Wintun Room. The grant has been used to fund new chairs, a ceiling mounted projector that can link to laptop computers and other electronic devices, thirty-two Chromebook laptops, and an activity screen just outside the room that can be seen from outside the library.

#### 9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) The July meeting may be cancelled unless something comes up that requires a meeting.

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

- a) Motion by B. Beckwith to adjourn. Second by P. Harrison.
- b) Vote: All in favor. None opposed.
- c) Meeting adjourned a little after 8:00p.m.

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