

Willowbank County Service Area (WCSA) Advisory Committee

Draft Minutes of the Meeting Held January 18th, 2022

Meeting conducted via Zoom, Hosted by Anne Todgham

1.	<p>Call to Order: Committee Chair Woods called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM</p> <p>Consistent with New Legislation, Chair Woods recommends Adoption of the following language “The WCSA Advisory Committee authorizes remote (teleconference/videoconference) meetings by finding, per Assembly Bill 361, that local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.”</p> <p>Attachments with the Agenda from County Health officials</p> <p>Motion to adopt the new language outlined above MSP (Calfee, Morrissey)</p> <p>Unanimously approved</p>
	<p>Committee Members Present: Liz McCapes, Anne Todgham, John Lindsey, Joanne Roy, Brian Morrissey, Kent Calfee and Olin Woods.</p>
	<p>Note taker: Anne Todgham</p>
2.	<p>Invited Guests: Deputy Supervisor Rich Reed, Supervisor Provenza; Residents: 7</p>
3.	<p>Approval of the Minutes: Woods</p> <p>Motion to approve minutes. MSP (McCapes, Lindsey)</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously</p>
4.	<p>Public Comments: No comments</p>
5.	<p>Yolo County Report: Deputy Supervisor Reed</p> <p>Rich Reed is retiring at the end of the month and Shelia Allen will be replacing Reed. Rich will be staying on to help with transition. Shelia will attend our next meeting.</p> <p>Good progress to resolve the Mace Blvd “Mess” The City of Davis is organizing a community meeting on Zoom on Thursday January 20th, 2022 Evening at 6pm</p> <p>Changes and plans proposed available on the City of Davis Website (https://www.cityofdavis.org/city-hall/improvement-projects/mace-blvd-improvements) Most of the traffic lines will be restored both north and south. Some of the intersections will be redone. Before and after images are on the website to see proposed changes. There are still changes that the community would like and so the public is encouraged to go to the Thursday meeting to advocate for their needs.</p> <p>After the community meeting, the recommendations will go to Davis City Council for the final decision on changes to be implemented and put plans in action. Could be months before construction but good movement is happening.</p> <p>Olin Woods will send out the details about the Community Meeting and where to see the proposed changes tonight.</p>

	<p><i>Public Comments</i> Many thanks to Rich Reed for his service to the county and the dedication and loyalty to the WCSA and the broader Willowbank Community.</p> <p>Yolo County Report: Supervisor Provenza Provenza was not able to join until late (after Woods’s report on Finance Report) but added some comments</p> <p>Sheila Allen will start part time until July 1, 2022 when she will begin full time.</p> <p>East Davis Fire District Vegetation Management. County funded the vegetation reduction this past summer and now seeking funding from a grant from Senator Dodd for a more substantial plan. Goal is to maintain the vegetation to significantly reduce the fire risk. Also addressed property lines in connection with the City of Davis possibly taking ownership & maintenance responsibility for the drainage channel. If a homeowner is encroaching on portions belonging to the City of Davis or the County, then an easement could be granted on the condition that the homeowner agrees to maintain the property.</p> <p>Provenza submitted the letter provided by Calfee and Woods to the City of Davis on the water rate issues. Provenza was promised that he would hear back from the City at the next City-County meeting.</p> <p>Discussed flooding that is happening by the fruit stand north of I-80. Caused by water coming out of the CalTrans detention basin and causing roads to close (32A and Frontage Rd). Long term fix is to run water a different direction and to the City of Davis pumps.</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Water Rate Subcommittee Update: Calfee</p> <p>Calfee and Woods refined comments previously presented to the WCSA advisory committee and presented them to Supervisor Provenza. Calfee and Woods then met with Supervisor Provenza and had the opportunity to have a very productive conversation. Jim understands our concerns and will champion our interests. The opportunity will come for Jim to bring up our water rate concerns during negotiations between the City of Davis and the County in terms of other issues (e.g. ownership of land along Putah Creek and storm drain services). In the context of these negotiations, Jim feels there is the potential to negotiate a beneficial resolution for us in terms of seeking some accommodation on our water rates.</p> <p><i>Committee Comments</i> Morrissey: Are there any other remedies that we as a community could seek as a class action? Calfee: Doesn’t think we have any legal recourse, although not his area of expertise. Project was documented well, the EIR was sufficient and the time to challenge the EIR is long passed. Hopefully the City will accommodate our requests through negotiations between the City of Davis and Yolo County.</p> <p>Morrissey: Do we have a calculation of the economics of this? Calfee: No calculations have been done. Woods: Welcomes help from anyone on figuring out what is this worth. Calfee: The gross number is a huge number but how that correlates to the burden in Willowbank is unknown.</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>North Fork Putah Creek Vegetation Management Update: Lindsey</p> <p>Working pretty hard on this in cooperation with the City of Davis and the County. Have a project cost put together (~\$160,000). Were able to get a match from some cannabis funds (~\$15,000). Working now to get the funding in place. They have a good plan and company</p>

	<p>lined up to do the work. Have the support of the Fire Department. Hoping to get the funding in the next few months so the project can start before all the vegetation dries up.</p> <p>Creek is pretty overgrown at the moment. The first clean-up will be substantial with the hope that future clean ups happen more regularly and therefore will be minor in comparison.</p> <p>Will also work to clean up all property line and ownership issues along the creek and John feels the community will be happy with the resolutions being proposed.</p> <p>County and the City have good plan in place along the creek with the residents that live along the creek.</p> <p>Committee Comments Calfee: Is there a map that can be circulated in terms of the property lines that were found? Lindsey: A robust survey was done and there is a good map of where the lot lines are. Good plan in place to work with the community to come to a positive resolution.</p> <p>Woods: Previous clean out along the creek caused some concerns because of the amount of vegetation that was cleaned out. Since then efforts have been minor and therefore the fuel has built up. How will we strike a balance? Lindsey: There are people from all sides (e.g. Fire Marshall from Davis Fire, Natural Resource Specialist) coming together to have a plan that is respectful of different perspectives. Old abandoned fences will be removed. A thorough clean out that will reduce the fire threat because there are a large number of homes that would be impacted by a fire along the creek. Woods: Suggestion that it might be helpful to reach out the community to explain the process ahead of the clean out so that people have an opportunity to ask questions.</p>
<p>8.</p>	<p>WCSA 2021-22 Finance Report: Woods</p> <p>The Financial Report is attached as part of the Agenda Package \$10,670 balance. Total revenue accrued during the 2nd Quarter is \$4,098; Total Expenses of \$285.</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>Annual Election of WCSA Officers: Woods</p> <p>Open nominations for Chair and Vice Chair</p> <p>Calfee would like to nominate Woods as Chair</p> <p>MSP (Calfee, Morrissey)</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously</p> <p>Woods would like to nominate Lindsey as Vice Chair</p> <p>MSP (Woods, Morrissey)</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously</p>
<p>10.</p>	<p>WCSA Advisory Committee Member Comments.</p> <p>Morrissey: Thanking Rich Reed for his dedication to the WCSA</p> <p>Roy: Thanking Rich Reed for his excellent job.</p>

	<p>Calfee: Appreciates Rich and Jim's efforts.</p> <p>McCapes: Thanking Rich Reed for his hard work and the pleasure of working with him on this committee</p> <p>Lindsey: Pleasure to have Rich as a colleague on the WCSA as well as the Fire Board.</p> <p>Todgham: Thanking Rich Reed for his commitment to the WCSA</p> <p>Woods: Appreciates Rich's steadiness and partnership. Covid testing lines on DaVinci Court are long but the ARC is much shorter. Making an appointment can really cut down wait time at DaVinci Court. Meetings dates for the rest of 2022 are in the Agenda package (Tuesday March 15th, 2022; Tuesday May 17th, 2022; Tuesday August 23rd, 2022; Tuesday October 18th, 2022). Final Version of the Zoning and Parking Guidance is also in the Agenda package. Woods encourages the community to read this document. Two vacancies on the WCSA Advisory Committee – one in Willowbank and one in Oakside. The Chair will send out instructions on the most efficient way to submit applications for the vacant positions. All interested individuals are encouraged to apply.</p> <p><i>Public Comments:</i> Question related to CCRs and Zoning guidance: Specifically how setbacks work for accessory buildings in terms of side vs. back property lines. Also a question as to how to file a complaint if the neighbors cannot to resolve the issue internally. Lindsey: Contact information for relevant County staff is provided in the document and hopefully they can work with people to help resolve the issue.</p>
<p>12.</p>	<p>Recognition of Resigning Committee Members Roy & Calfee and Reappointment of Committee Member Todgham: Woods</p> <p>Many expressions of gratitude directed to both Joanne and Kent for their hard work, engagement, dedication and service to our community over many years.</p>
<p>13.</p>	<p>Adjournment (8:17pm) to the Next Regularly Scheduled WCSA Advisory Committee Meeting: Tuesday March 15th, 2022.</p>