

MINUTES  
ESPARTO CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
January 17, 2022  
7:00 p.m.  
Esparto Regional Library, Wintun Room  
17065 Yolo Ave, Esparto, CA 95627

Attending: Pat Harrison, John Hulsman Jr, Randy Jacobs, Giacomo Moris, Sandie Reed

Absent: Susan Cooper

MEETING ADMINISTRATION

- 1) CALL TO ORDER at 7:13 by Chair J. Hulsman
- 2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA
  - a) **Motion** to approve the agenda by R. Jacobs, second by P. Harrison. Vote: all in favor, none opposed.
- 3) APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
  - a) **Motion** by R. Jacobs to approve the minutes from September. Second by S. Reed.
  - b) Vote: all in favor, none opposed.
- 4) CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - a) Almond Festival is 2/25-26 – Sat is non-profit day. No parade this year, maybe next year.
  - b) Tribe is replacing Fire Chief
  - c) Possible 218 vote for paid staffing of fire department (hard to get volunteers).
  - d) Timeline and methods for charging for use of groundwater being considered.

PUBLIC FORUM

- 5) PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 6) COUNTY UPDATE – JD Trebec provided the following updates.
  - a) Oriciuoli (NW of town) – Caltrans wanted to review the project, should be signed off soon and get final map in next couple months.
  - b) Story (North of downtown and Esparanza Crossing) – no word.
  - c) County applied for a grant for sidewalks on Winters and Grafton streets on the east side of town.
- 7) INFORMATIONAL ITEM (none)
- 8) ACTION ITEMS
  - a) Election of Officers.

- i) Discussion by the committee led to the following slate:
    - (1) Chair – J. Hulsman
    - (2) Vice Chair – R. Jacobs
    - (3) Secretary – G. Moris
  - ii) J. Hulsman asked the committee if they wanted to have one vote for the slate rather than individual votes for the offices. The members agreed and the slate was approved by all.
- b) Recommendation on a two-year extension of the E. Parker Development Agreement (DA)
- i) Tribe owns the property now, has been busy with the Health Center construction.
  - ii) Gas station is part of the MOU for the Health Center, not the DA.
  - iii) Parcel on south side of Highway 16, with the orchard, is considering a gas station on 2.5 acres, just down from Dollar General. County not giving tobacco sales a green light which usually discourages the gas station developers.
  - iv) S. Reed – who owns/maintains Lamb Valley Slough? JD - Flood control is trying to get the canal dedicated to them when there are these projects. Fremont St. flooded.
  - v) S. Reed – disclosed she is a real estate agent and works for the Democrat – she likes to promote Esparto or show houses and has observed that people are definitely interested in moving out here, especially those that work at the Casino, but nothing new is available yet.
  - vi) G. Moris – would like to see another pedestrian bridge over Lamb Valley Slough as part of the new development (at Winters street for ex.).
  - vii) **Motion** to recommend extension of agreement by R. Jacobs, second by P. Harrison.  
Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

## 9) DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a) Annual Esparto Community Plan Review
  - i) Reference Esparto Community Plan page 16, “Implementation Programs” items 1-10.
    - (1) Done
    - (2) Done
    - (3) Industrial Development – Property to the south of Highway 16 has been inquiring regarding industrial development.
    - (4) Seasonal events – Tree lighting a success.
    - (5) Caltrans SIP Done – Need to follow up on narrowing of right way. R. Jacobs noted the areas filled with decomposed granite/gravel need to be improved.
    - (6) Bike/trail - Countywide General Plan’s Transportation Plan will be updated soon. Leslie Lindbo is currently the interim Director of Community Services, of which Public Works is a part, as Taro Echiburu has retired.
    - (7) Sidewalks – grant applied for east side work.
    - (8) Update drainage study, bridge and culvert to be included. Agreement by committee that this needs priority.
    - (9) ECSD – will follow up when subdivisions are built.
    - (10) Done.
- b) R. Jacobs asked about repaving all of the east side of town? Supervisor Barajas supposedly got money for that. Maybe summer of 2023?

## 10) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) S. Reed contacted Highway patrol captain, Ivan Tang. He needed to wait until February to see what his schedule was.

11) ADJOURNMENT

- a) **Motion** P. Harrison to adjourn, second by R. Jacobs.
  - i) Vote: All in favor, none opposed.
  - ii) Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

COMMUNITY FORUM

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