

Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council



Minutes

October 20, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 7:12 pm there were approximately 60 in attendance.

Roll call of the directors and attendance: Bill Parkman, Olaf Landsgaard, Greg Wood, Sharo Romo and Rick Webb were present. Dennis Shoffner and Justin Wright were excused.

Adopt Agenda: A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Rick Webb and seconded by Bill Parkman. The motion was approved unanimously.

Approve Minutes: A motion to adopt the minutes was made by Olaf Landsgaard and seconded by Bill Parkman. The motion was approved unanimously. Directors Landsgaard asked that future Minutes be more descriptive.

Guest Speaker(s):

Ed Knudson: President of AV College- provided an update on the Antelope Valley College and the upcoming bond measure. He said it would provide the college with enough money to replace 9 buildings on campus. He said it also would provide them with a maintenance endowment fund of \$30 million.

Candidates Forum: Rules of forum were announced and mediated by Vice Chairman Wood.

A. Assembly District 36 -Tom Lackey and Steve Fox. Steve Fox discussed the bills he had a part in getting passed when he was in the state assembly. Tom Lackey said that he takes getting to know his constituents very seriously and that it's much more important to actually get things done instead of just trying to get your name on a bill.

B. Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council- David Hernandez was not present. Olaf Landsgaard spoke about the RMAC and what they can do. He also spoke about Pastor Dave Hernandez and encouraged those present to vote for him as well. Donna Morris said she is on Neighborhood watch, Rosamond CERT, and that she runs a homeschool in Rosamond. Gerald Morris said he spent 20 years in the Navy. He wants to find a way to get rid of the marijuana shops.

C. Southern Kern Unified School District board-Daniel Landsgaard has been on the Rosamond Chamber, the Rosamond CSD, and Rosamond Rotary. He wants to help the schools integrate college classes into the high school more and more. Patrick Reader is a Deputy with the LA County Sheriff's dept. He's served on the SKUSD board in the past. Yolanda Sanchez and Scott Starkey were not present.

D. Rosamond Community Services District- Byron Glennan said he has 3 goals as a Director, to represent the whole community, to listen to experts and consultants, and to listen to the people he represents. Uriah Ojan used to teach classes at AVC. He believes his biggest strength is finding common ground between opposing ideas. Robert Vincelette said he believes Rosamond residents should be treated like customers because the customer is always right. He also disagrees with the water rates increasing because he thinks more cuts could have been made to the budget before a rate increase became necessary. Russell Williford is a member of Kiwanis. He has many concerns with the way the RCSD has been run. He said his main concerns are street lighting, the water issue, and lack of recreation opportunities in Rosamond. Alfred Wallis was not present.

Community Announcements: RCWP reported that the last race of the season at Willow Springs track is November 22 at 3 pm.

Public Comment Period: Sal's Mexican restaurant spoke about the huge impact the pot shops are having on businesses in the downtown area. He said something needs to be done at the local level to gather support for getting rid of the pot shops. He is going to be working with the chamber of commerce and the RMAC to put together a petition and gather letter and signatures from other business owners.

Business Meeting: N.A.

Public Relations Committee: Director Landsgaard thanked all the media for coming.

Old Business: N.A.

New Business:

- A. Greg Wood made a motion for the RMAC to draft a letter to the Kern County Board of Supervisors and the Planning dept. requesting the county investigate the street lighting issue in Rosamond, Olaf Landsgaard seconded. Motion was unanimous.
- B. John Joyce said that he is going to donate to the RMAC a subscription to his newspaper so that they can stay informed on what is going on in town.
- C. Olaf Landsgaard made a motion for the RMAC to draft a letter to the Kern County Board of Supervisors, the Planning dept., and the Parks and Recreation dept., requesting assistance in improving the parks and recreation in Rosamond; seconded by Rick Webb. The motion was approved unanimously.
- D. Greg Wood said that he would go to the businesses in town and attempt to get letters and signatures supporting a letter that the RMAC Safety committee will draft, to be sent to the county expressing the communities concerns over the pot shops in town.

Director Agenda Referrals: N.A.

Director's Comments: Rick Webb said this is his last meeting. He encouraged everyone to support the law enforcement officers because life is tough for them right now.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Olaf Landsgaard and seconded by Rick Webb. The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:00PM.