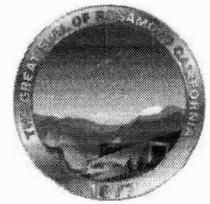


Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council



Minutes of Meeting – August 16, 2018

1. **Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.** There were 25 people in attendance.
2. **Flag Salute.**
3. **Roll call of the Directors and Attendance:** Directors Greg Wood, Bill Parkman, Donna Morris, and Dennis Shoffner were in attendance. Directors Gerald Morris, David Hernandez and Justin Wright were excused absences.
4. **Adopt Agenda:** A motion was made by Dennis Shoffner to adopt the agenda and seconded by William Parkman. Vote was unanimous.
5. **Approve Minutes:** The Minutes for the July 19, 2018 were reviewed and approved by vote on motion from Dennis Shoffner that was seconded by Donna Morris. The Minutes for June 21, 2018 session were accepted after verification of corrections.
6. **Guest Speaker:** None.
7. **Community Leader Reports:**
 - A. Kern County Sheriff's Office: Sgt Anton reported that there were 1852 calls for service of which 679 were for Rosamond. There were 92 arrests county-wide. There were 6 auto theft arrests in Rosamond this month. There were 246 reports written.
 - B. California Highway Patrol: Lt Williams provided a briefing on the fatality accident on Tropico-Willow Springs Road. There was also a non-contact hit and run accident with a pedestrian on Sierra Hwy recently as well. There is a warrant out for the arrest of the suspect in this accident. He added that the Senior Volunteer and Explorer Programs were doing great. Lt Williams also advised that the CHP is providing backup support to the California City Police Department.
 - C. Kern County Fire Department – Absent.
 - D. Kern County Supervisor's representative: Michael Clark was in attendance. No report on outstanding items.
 - E. Assemblyman Tom Lackey – Representative absent.
 - F. Rosamond Community Watch – August cleanup on Sierra Hwy is scheduled for 25 August.
 - G. Rosamond Community Services District: No report.
 - H. Rosamond Foundation - No report.
 - I. Rosamond Youth Football and Cheer - No representative in attendance.
 - J. Rosamond Chamber of Commerce – Jack Miller advised that the Community Center continues to progress. They are installing LED nights for evening performances. Jack advised that they are also selling stenciled bricks at \$125.00 each. He encouraged residents of Rosamond to purchase one. Jack advised that the CofC is preparing a brochure for the community. He added that the remodel of the CofC Office started on July 25th and it is anticipated to be completed very soon. Jack also encouraged people to get their booths at Glendower Park for the Annual Armed Forces Day Community Parade. In closing, he reminded everyone that the parade starts at 10:00 a.m. with formation starting at 8:00 a.m. on Orange Street.
 - K. Southern Kern Unified School District (SKUSD) – No representative in attendance. John Joyce, Rosamond News, advised that the recent meeting at SKUSD was attended by 200 residents of Rosamond and that it was very encouraging to see that level of participation.
 - L. Antelope Valley Citizens for Responsible Use of Water – Review of water allocations is in progress at AVEK.
 - M. Edwards Air Force Base: No representative in attendance.
 - N. Others –Albert Gatton, real estate agent with KW Realty provided a report on home sales. He noted that there were 82 active listings with an average listing price of \$266,671.00. The price per square foot (PSF) was \$158.52 this month with an average home size of 1737 SF. There are 50 pending sales with an average price of \$258,913.18. 24 homes were sold for an average price of \$235,284.00 which equates to \$145.79 PSF.
8. **Community Announcements:** It was announced that a teacher fund-raiser would be held on Saturday, 18 August, at 9:00 a.m. in the Rosamond High School parking lot.

9. Public Comment Period:

- A.** An introduction of candidates for positions on SKUSD, RCSD and RMAC is planned for the October 2018 meeting. Please watch for details.

10. Business Meeting

A. Standing Committee Reports:

- (1) **Planning Committee** (D. Morris, B. Parkman, G. Wood) – Generalized discussion on the Raceway Solar Project and the Bio-Solids Draft Environmental Impact Reports. Lt Williams and others expressed concern regarding this planned solar power expansion project. There is genuine concern that this expansion will lead to an increase in valley fever and fugitive dust going onto other properties. There is also concern about road damage. Lt Williams expressed hope that RMAC would get involved in this matter. He is very concerned that this project will cause a substantial drop in property values. Members of the Council expressed that the best way to get action is to start a petition drive to identify all the affected citizens and those other residents who may have issue with these two projects. Bill Parkman noted that the presence of a significant number of Rosamond residents at the Planning Meetings and the Board of Supervisor Meetings is a good way to express community concerns.
- (2) **Safety Committee** (G. Morris, G. Wood, J. Wright) - No report.
- (3) **Public Health and Community Welfare Committee** (D. Hernandez, D. Morris, G. Morris) - No report.
- (4) **Public Works Committee** (B. Parkman, G. Wood, J. Wright). General discussion on the Rosamond Boulevard/Eagle Way crosswalk but no update is available on actual status.
- (5) **Public Relations Committee** (D. Hernandez, G. Morris, D. Morris) – No report.
- (6) **State and Federal Legislative Activities Committee** (G. Wood, B. Parkman, D. Shoffner) - No report.

11. Old Business:

- A. Discuss and take possible action regarding marijuana dispensaries.** A vote on two ballot measures dealing with Medical Cannabis in on the November ballot. The measure with the most Yes votes will be the one enacted.
- B. Discuss/report on status and take possible action on California SB 142 and AB 931.** Both of these measures passed the Legislature and are being prepared for the Governor's signature.
- C. Discuss and take possible action in regard to unsignaled crosswalk at Rosamond Boulevard and Eagle Way.** Michael Clark advised that there is no update on this subject.
- D. Discuss and take possible action in regard to lack of ADA accessibility on Rosamond Boulevard Overpass Walkways.** Mike Clark requested additional information regarding the interface between roadway, curbs and ramps from Bill Parkman. Bill advised that he will work on a photo display to highlight the work areas.
- E. Discuss and take possible action in regard to County increase in Park & Recreation opportunities in Rosamond.** A letter for the Board of Supervisors regarding this subject was discussed. It was agreed to work up the language of the Letter after September's meeting.
- F. Discuss and take possible action in setting up a meeting with Union Pacific, Kern County Planning, Kern County Roads, and Rosamond Community Services District** for an emergency access and egress road to Rosamond's east side by Police/Fire/Medical in the event of trains blocking Rosamond Blvd access or other emergencies. Greg Wood advised that a meeting with UPRR has been set for 31 August 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in the UPRR offices in Bloomington, CA>
- G. Update on the Community Christmas Toy Giveaway.** Progressing. No change in status.

12. New Business:

- A. None.**

- 13. Director Agenda Referrals –** It was suggested that a guest speaker from the Solar firm involved in the Raceway Solar Project be invited to a future meeting. The same approach was also suggested for the Bio-Solids issue.
- 14. Director's Comments –** Bill Parkman suggested that the Council staff a meeting to address the procurement of an office location for RMAC and the associated furnishings, equipment and supplies to support committee meetings and related activities. This would not have to be a sole facility for RMAC but could provide offices for certain types of permitting in the Southeast Kern area.
- 15. Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Donna Morris and seconded by Dennis Shoffner. The vote to adjourn was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. The next meeting will be held on September 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Hummel Hall.