

Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council



Minutes of Meeting – November 15, 2018

1. **Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.** There were approximately 80 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 and Justin Wright were excused absences. Seat of David Hernandez is vacant.
4. **Adopt Agenda:** A motion was made by Dennis Shoffner to adopt the agenda and seconded by Bill Parkman. Vote was unanimous.
5. **Approve Minutes:** The Minutes for the August 16, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved by vote on motion from Bill Parkman that was seconded by Donna Morris.
6. **Community Leader Reports:**
 - A. Kern County Sheriff's Office: Sgt Anton reported that there were 1850 calls for service of which 665 were for Rosamond. There were 80 arrests of which 24 were in Rosamond. 221 reports were written of which 81 were in Rosamond.
 - B. California Highway Patrol: Officer Stevens advised that he did not have any statistics for this month. He did advise that Chips for Kids campaign is kicking off soon.
 - C. Kern County Supervisor's representative: Michael Clark advised that the District 2 Supervisor Zack Scrivner was re-elected. Mike added that an Amazon Distribution Center totalling 2 million square feet is coming to the County.
 - D. Assemblyman Tom Lackey: No representative in attendance.
 - E. Rosamond Community Watch: No representative in attendance.
 - F. Rosamond Community Services District: Representative in attendance. New logo for the Water District has been adopted.
 - G. Rosamond Foundation: No report.
 - H. Rosamond Chamber of Commerce: Jack Miller provided a report. The Parade of Lights is scheduled for November 25, 2018. Applications are available on line at Rosamondchamber.com
 - I. Rosamond Football and Cheer: No representative in attendance.
 - J. Southern Kern Unified School District: No representative in attendance.
 - K. Antelope Valley Citizens for Responsible Use of Water: No representative in attendance.
 - L. Edwards Air Force Base (EAFB): No representative in attendance.
7. **Guest Speakers:** An opportunity for the public to hear from all candidates running for office on November 6, 2018 convened.
 - A. Curtis Kennegot/Jo Anne Alexander spoke on behalf of the Concerned Citizens on the "Raceway Solar Project" and their opposition to any future commercial solar array projects and, specifically, against the "Raceway Solar Project" and S-POWER CORPORATION. They urged the Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council to take a stand against this development on behalf of the community. A couple of the Directors advised that the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has not been submitted for review as of the date of the meeting and that it would be premature for the Council to take a position until all the relevant information is at hand and respective parties are heard.
 - B. Nikki Olofson and Tanya Martinez spoke of behalf of the "Raceway Solar Project" and assured the community that all matters that are identified in the EIR and other sources will be addressed. They told the assembly that they want to be a good and responsible neighbor. They noted that they have entered into a 40-year lease with the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water District.
8. **Community Announcements: None.**
9. **Public Comment Period:** Albert Gatton provided a real estate report to the Council and the community of Rosamond. The average listed price was \$264,446.00 with an average square footage of 1256 which correlates to \$163.00 per SF. Forty-four sales were completed with an average price of \$269,000.00 for an 1800 square foot home which works to \$153.00 per SF.
10. **Business Meeting - Standing Committee Reports**
 - A. **Planning Committee** (D. Morris, Parkman, Wood) - No report.
Purpose: Provide fair and accurate feedback on proposals to the Kern County Planning Department.
 - B. **Safety Committee** (G. Morris, Shoffner, Wright) - No report.
Purpose: Improve public safety through coordination with local agencies.

Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council - Minutes for October 20, 2018 Meeting

C. Public Health and Community Welfare Committee (Hernandez, D. Morris, G. Morris) - No report.

Purpose: Promote public health in conjunction with County Agencies.

D. Public Works Committee (Parkman, Wood, Wright) - No report.

Purpose: Optimize roads and other public works projects in conjunction with Kern County Departments of Roads, Engineering and Survey Services.

E. Public Relations Committee (Hernandez, Shoffner, D. Morris) - No report.

Purpose: Promote Rosamond to the public and the media.

11. Old Business:

A. Discuss and take possible action regarding marijuana dispensaries.

Report: There is a new proposal that will be on the ballot in the 2020 election on medical and recreational marijuana.

B. Discuss/report on status and take possible action on California SB 1421 and AB 931.

Report: Proposed letters previously submitted. No update.

C. Discuss and take possible action in regard to County increase in Park & Recreation opportunities in Rosamond.

Report: No report.

D. Discuss and take possible action on writing a letter to the Kern County Board of Supervisors regarding addressing an access road to the east side of Rosamond.

Report: Questions exist as to whether right-of-way and easements are in place to permit such an action to move forward and are being studied.

E. The Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council forwarded the resignation letter of David Hernandez to the Board of Supervisors. Bill Parkman, Vice-Chair, for the Council presented proposed Letters of Appreciation of Service for David Hernandez and Justin Wright. The letters were reviewed and signed by the Chair, Mr. Gregory Wood, and delivered to Michael Clark for consideration by the Board of Supervisors.

12. New Business:

A. Accept Resignation Letter from Director David Hernandez. Directors discussed David Hernandez's service to the community as a Director on the Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council. In view of the hardships that Director Hernandez is dealing with, the Council accepted the resignation with regret. The Directors also proposed the preparation of a Letter of Appreciation for David's service to the community. Director Parkman will prepare a draft letter for the consideration of the Kern County Board of Supervisors. The Council also agreed to consider a Letter of Appreciation to Justin Wright for his service to the community.

13. Directors Comment: Director Shoffner spoke to the community of Rosamond regarding the voting turnout for the mid-terms. He noted that if anyone felt that their vote had no value or potential impact, he advised that the fourth seat up for the Council is hotly contested between Bill Parkman and him. The vote tally is not yet **FINAL** and is subject to change pending the standard verification process that Kern County uses.

14. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Dennis Shoffner and seconded by Donna Morris. The vote to adjourn was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 9:26 pm. The next meeting will be held on December 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Hummel Hall.