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DIAMOND SPRINGS AND EL DORADO
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes

February 19, 2015

PLACE: Diamond Springs Fire Station
501 Main Street
Diamond Springs, CA 95916

TIME: 6 P.M.

ROLL CALL: 6:04 Pm Present Deanne Johnson, Kathy McCoy, Larry Patterson, Erik Peterson, Dale Pierce, Bob Smart **Absent** None

ADOPT AGENDA Moved: Peterson Second: Johnson Aye: Unanimous

**APPROVE 11-18-14 MINUTES (ATTACHMENT 1) Moved:Peterson Second:Johnson
Aye: Unanimous**

CORRESPONDENCE- None

Consent items Moved: Pierce Second: Peterson Aye: Unanimous

1.-As soon as we determine our point of contact we will send this Letter on Hiway 49 fire safety/vegetation treatment/pedestrian concerns (Larry's draft)

At our November meeting, fire safety was discussed. It came to our attention that Highway 49 between the communities of Diamond Springs and El Dorado has a significant amount of brush and woody debris within the Right of Way. This inhibits pedestrians use of those shoulder areas and also presents a fire danger. Roads should be cleared at least 10 feet from the edge of pavement in order to minimize potential fires from spreading.

We would like to see Caltrans take responsibility for this maintenance. We would request that our Board of Supervisors take an action that would help facilitate this needed maintenance.

2. Recognize Anne Novotny and Tom Purciel are our points of contact with long term planning:

http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/CommunityPlanning/Community-Based_Planning.aspx

TOPICS

- 1. Elections of officers-** Election Bob Smart as Chair, and Erik Peterson as Vice Chair Moved Patterson, Second Peterson, Approved Unanimous
- 2.** Revised Resolution establishing committee 015-2015 was passed by BOS January 27, 2015.
- 3. Vacancy(s) on committee.** CAC requests Supervisor Veerkamp recommend an appointment to fill the committee vacancy.
- 4. Contact Nadia Bell Union Mine HS-Youth Commissioner:** CAC would like to promote increased opportunities for youth participation. Chairman Smart to establish contact.
- 5. Who is our the point of contact in County with Caltrans?-** Letter above goes to Supervisor Veerkamp who will forward to appropriate official.
- 6. Area Plan info-discussion item**—is this something we want to spend time reviewing and discussing http://edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/CommunityPlanning/Historic_Area_Plans/Diamond-Springs-El_Dorado-Area-Plan-12-05-1979.aspx

Topics Proposed for March 19 Meeting

1. Introduction and short discussion with supervisor with Mike Ranalli, Supervisor District 4: 4 community IDs (Diamond Springs, El Dorado, Missouri Flat, and campus community)
2. Brian Veerkamp and Kathy Withrow plan to attend and discuss current issues and coordination between Districts 3 and 4

DIRECTOR ITEM(S) : ED BOS proposing to consider General Plan amendments to Community Region Boundary lines on 2/24/15.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:40 PM

Next Meeting March 19, 6 PM Diamond Springs Fire Station

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November 20, 2014

PLACE: Diamond Springs Fire Station
Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM

TIME: 6 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Present: Deanne Johnson, Kathy McCoy, Larry Patterson, Erik Peterson, Dale Pierce, Bob Smart, **Absent:** Greg Webb

ADOPT AGENDA: Moved Erik Peterson, 2nd Diane Johnson to move open discussion down the agenda to allow Chief Combs to speak first, and to approve the agenda.

Approved unanimously

APPROVE 9-18-14 MINUTES (ATTACHMENT 1) Moved Erik Peterson, 2nd Kathy McCoy, Approved unanimously

REVIEW 10-16-14 NOTES (ATTACHMENT 2) Due to lack of a quorum there are no MINUTES

CORRESPONDENCE- 10-16-14 Letter to Steve Pedretti, El Dorado County Community Development Agency-Racquet and Pleasant Valley Road CIP/Safety

TOPICS

- 1. Diamond Springs-El Dorado Fire Chief Rob Combs and/or Fire Board member Pat Dwyer will discuss the current status of the Fire Safe Planning for our area**

Fire Chief Rob Combs: Status of FD. Lost \$800,000 in funding in recession, resulting in cutbacks in service at Fire Stations. County collects taxes and disburses to the agencies. There have been state actions to shift special district funds to schools, and no

actions have been taken to restore that funding, and Hotel taxes have not been used for emergency services.

Ongoing attempts to address long term financial sustainability for fire services.

DS-ED Fire District has been able to maintain a balanced budget, and contribute to reserves.

Some FDs are receiving development impact mitigation fees that can be used only for facilities but not for ongoing activities. There is a DS-ED Community Fire District that creates a Mello-Roos fee for new development that will provide an ongoing income.

Fire-Based ambulance services provide additional services compared to private services, but public funded ambulance services are reimbursed below cost. Federal GEMT legislation allows agencies to be reimbursed for their actual costs. The funding will come to the county general fund and not necessarily to the ambulance JPA.

Fire Board member Pat Dwyer (email board@edcfiresafe.org website www.edcfiresafe.org) ; EDC Fire Safe Council is a 501c-3 volunteer group made up of fire safe councils in local areas. Help homeowners thru defensible space planning, a chipper program, and a community cleanup program. Awarded Forest Service grant to fund 2 years of the chipper program that can be applied for by homeowners.

Communities can come together to form a firesafe council and produce a CWPP (Community Wildfire Protection Plan), that identifies priorities and is the basis for grant applications to implement shaded fire breaks.

\$80 million collected by fire fee statewide. 17% of fees come from EDC. CalFire PreFire planning funded by this money, but little of that money has come back to the communities for prevention. The FSC applied for grant to combine local CWPP's for a countywide CWPP, and to fund a variety of fire safe projects.

2. Discussion of 10-9-14 response from El Dorado County on Community Planning Efforts (Tom Purciel of Long Range Planning will join us) ATTACHMENT 3

What additional tasks should have been included? Zoning recommendations, OTHER ?

Tom Purciel: Larry Patterson asked if the county does have the CAC comments on the zoning process that have been provided. Larry asks that there be a central point of contact to receive comments. Tom brought copies of the November 2014 Community Planning Guide that are currently on the County website. Kathy Withrow commented with respect to her experiences with Community Planning efforts in El Dorado Hills. A discussion of the responsibilities of the CAC

3. Election of vice chairperson: Moved Dale Pierce, 2nd Kathy McCoy to elect Erik Peterson Vice Chair. Approved unanimously.

OPEN FORUM: Public comments were offered

4. Revised resolution for Diamond Springs-El Dorado Advisory Committee (ATTACHMENT 4)-

Comments and corrections were offered, and the resolution will be referred to County Council

5. December 18 meeting is cancelled

6. DIRECTOR ITEM(S)

Larry Patterson will prepare a letter requesting CalTrans do fire safe brush clearing on HiWay 49 between Diamond Springs and El Dorado.

Discussion of future meeting topics.

7. ADJOURNMENT 8:15 PM