

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Round Valley Area Municipal Advisory Council (RVAMAC)

Held Wednesday July 1, 2020

Online by Zoom at URL

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The meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Jessica Stull-Otto at 6:03 p.m.

1. The meeting was attended by the following persons:

Council members

Lew Chichester, Charles Sargenti, Kathy Britton, Jessica Stull-Otto, Kat Willits

Officials

John Haschak, 5th District Supervisor, Una Wirkebau, Economic Development Coordinator for MOVE 2030

General Public

Dee Mullen, Mary Jane Cummings, Pat Sobrero, Susan O'Brien

2. Approval of minutes from March 4, 2020 was by consensus

3. Supervisor update.

Supervisor Haschak provided updates on the following:

- Covid 19 statistics and status of testing in the county
- Possible changes to the county cannabis ordinance
- The proposed Citizen Review Board for MCSO

4. General comments and discussion

- Kat Willits expressed support for the Sheriff's efforts to eradicate the large illegal grows in the valley.
- Lew Chichester expressed concern about lawlessness accompanying illegal marijuana grows and would like to see MCSO and County Planning and Building step up enforcement.
- Supervisor Haschak remarked that county staff were presently preoccupied with Covid 19 enforcement and thus were less available for other code enforcement at the present time.
- Kat Willits informed the Council that Tribal EPA is trying to work with code enforcement in order to adapt their procedures for enforcement and cleanup after eradication efforts are concluded. The Tribe has not been able to acquire large trash bins from Solid Waste of Willits necessary for the cleanup effort and is working on a resolution of this problem with the Sheriff Department.
- Pat Sobrero reported that Richard Wilson is very interested in cleanup of the valley and of having a community meeting regarding same. Kat Willits offered to host a meeting in the Tribe's Buffalo Room.
- Supervisor Haschak volunteered to speak with the Sheriff regarding cleanup after eradication raids. Kat Willits asked if the Sheriff could request that bins be delivered to eradication sites the day after the operation is concluded.
- Regarding MAC activities on Tribal land Kat Willits will bring up the question with the Tribal Council and will report back at the next regular meeting. Any community members that would like to help with Tribal projects are encouraged to contact the Tribal administrator's office.

5. Una Wirkebau of MOVE 2030 (Mendocino Opportunities for building a Vibrant Economy) provided a slideshow presentation regarding the project that she is the Economic Development Coordinator for. One of the initial goals for the project is to create community engagement leads, which is where the MAC comes into play. The role of the MAC will be to gather information from the community and provide it to MOVE through Una. The community is encouraged to write down things such as: challenges, what's great about the community, what's not great, what obstacles are standing in the way of economic viability, what policies are in place that don't make sense, what we want to be known for (e.g. tourism), and specific things like empty or dilapidated buildings or land with owners MIA, zoning needs (e.g. changing ag land to industrial), transportation challenges (e.g. lack of public transit) and, in addition, specific ideas for improvement economically such as a billboard on Hwy. 101 advertising tourist attractions or destinations in the community.

6. Action item: Council approved by consensus the monthly payment of \$15 for the Zoom meeting service we are currently using.

7. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

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<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1-oYmcOwWnLdS-CUoRy1sknJApLxtog9d>