

**MEETING OF THE ROUND VALLEY AREA MUNICIPAL ADVISORY
COUNCIL (RVAMAC)**

Wednesday, April 01, 2026 at 6:00 PM

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Minutes

1. Call to Order & Roll call **6:06 Present: Dane, Marylou, Laura, Kathy**
2. Approval of April 01, 2026 Agenda **Dane moved to approve, no objections**
3. Approval of March 4, 2026 meeting minutes **Correction: 5c 19 “findings” instead of “issues”. Dane moved to approve with correction, no objections.**
4. Public Comment & Announcements on non-agenda items.
 - a. **The Mendocino Women’s Political Coalition (non-partisan) is hosting a supervisor candidates’ forum at the Library Commons May 2nd, 3-5PM.**
 - b. **Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt, 1PM Sunday, April 5th.**
 - c. **Forest Health Extravaganza April 11-12 in Laytonville.**
 - d. **Community Foundation Grant Writing Workshop. April 24th, 11:30-1:30.**
5. Reports from County, State and Tribal officials:
 - a. Tribal Council **N/A**
 - b. Sheriff Kendall **MCSO is seriously short-staffed.**
 - c. Supervisor Haschak **The Partnership Health Plan has been approved.**
 - d. Round Valley County Water District **Report by Lourance.**
 - e. Mendocino County DOT **N/A**
 - f. MCOG **Supervisors to approve transportation plan.**
 - g. Office of Assemblyman Chris Rogers: Monica Barragan - 2026 List of Bills authored by Assemblyman Rogers **A list of the 19 bills presented by Chris Rogers is posted on the MAC website.**
 - h. Covelo Fire Protection District Report **RVIHC is approved as an alternate ambulance destination. More EMTs have completed the training.**
 - i. Emily McCobb, U C Davis Covelo Vet Clinic - clinic was in RV March 28 and 29 **112 surgeries, 115 wellness checks, 10 horses and 10 goats were seen. There will soon be new, electronic records available.**

6. New Business:

6a. Discussion/possible action: Would the RVAMAC be interested in tabling at the Earth Day on April 25, 2026. This is a good opportunity to connect with the community and add to our email listserv. **Suggestions: Ask community “why do fire hydrants matter?”, “what would you like to ask the Sheriff?”, Information about the General Plan. QR code. Consensus to go ahead and table if anyone wants to...**

6b. Discussion/possible action: Recent cell phone outage in the valley and the cell service has decreased substantially in many areas of the valley with many weak-signal or dead spot areas where there was service before the outage. **Contact the Public Utilities Commission. Call 800-649-7570 or file your complaint online: cims.cpuc.ca.gov/complaints/Home/FileComplaint. You can also contact your state senator and assembly person.**

7. Old Business:

7a. Discussion/possible action: BOS February 24, 2026, meeting, Item C19 on the Consent Calendar. Request for Sup. Haschak to discuss this item and how, if at all, Round Valley may receive grant money for trash abatement: **The Clean California grant cycle is closed. We can apply again for next cycle.**

C19 Ratification of Submission of Grant Application to the California Department of Transportation for the Clean California Community Cleanup and Employment Pathways Grant Program; and Authorization for the Health Services Director to Execute the Resulting Grant Agreement, if Awarded, up to \$305,000, for the Project Period of April 1, 2026, through April 1, 2027

Recommended Action:

Ratify submission of grant application to the California Department of Transportation for the Clean California Community Cleanup and Employment Pathways Grant Program; authorize the Health Services Director to execute the resulting grant Agreement, if awarded, up to \$305,000, for the project period of April 1, 2026, through April 1, 2027; and authorize the Health Services Director or designee to sign any amendments that do not increase the maximum amount.

Attachments: [CCEP Program - Grant Proposal Template v3.3](#)
[Clean CA Grant Program - Guidelines v4](#)

Supervisor Haschak to follow up with DOT to check on plans for the Round Valley area. What were his findings? **Correction: applications go to Public Health, not Department of Transportation.**

7b. Discussion/possible action: developing the Round Valley Area Emergency Operations Plan. Next Round Valley Prepared meeting - April 15, 2026 - 4:00 p.m. - @ the Library Commons. **Our request to use MAC funds for expenses such as copying/mailing was not deemed appropriate by counsel.**

7c. Discussion/possible action: CalTrans has been invited to provide an update on their Highway 162 projects and address concerns presented by Pat Sobrero. See attachment. (Carried over from December agenda) **No new information**

7d. Discussion and possible action: development of a county noise control ordinance. Will there be an opening for RVAMAC comments? - (update from Supervisor Haschak) **The ordinance has been presented to BOS and passed the 1st reading.**

7e. Discussion and possible action: any needs for the Covelo Fire Hydrant project? Lew Chichester to give a brief update/report on the town fire hydrant project. This item is a work in progress and will remain on the agenda. **CCSD should be able to review the draft RFP at their meeting next week.**

7f. Discussion/possible action: possibility of the county creating a safe housing area for deputy sheriff and other essential county employees and health care workers on the Forestry Service property located at the Covelo Ranger Station. **No new information**

7g. Discussion and possible action: ongoing problems in the community with uncontained dogs, dogs that have been abandoned (dumped), dogs killing other dogs and creating a nuisance and potential safety issue. **No new information**

7h. Discussion and possible update: Discussion/possible action: Michelle Merrifield has requested to speak about the valleys farm land and fields to have fire breaks or a control burn on dry vegetation. Michelle did draft a letter for the RVAMAC to consider; the letter has been provided to the Covelo Fire Department and the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Unless there is further information or discussion, we will consider dropping this item from the agenda. **Consensus to drop this item from agenda.**

7i. Informational: Round Valley Indian Health Center and Round Valley Indian Tribes sponsored a 4 day Emergency Preparedness Training with Falmouth Institute at the Covelo Recreation Center October 14, 15, 16 & 17, 2025. Next steps: Next Round Valley Prepared meeting scheduled at the library commons - , 5:00 p.m. **Duplicate item, similar to 7b.**

7j. Discussion/possible action: Clean California Designation Program - Are we interested in starting a campaign in our community to earn this designation? Informational flyer attached. Carried over from December agenda)

<https://cleanca.com/designation/>

7i. Discussion/possible action: MCOG has been invited to update our community as to its Round Valley Projects as of November 2024. See attachment. **No new information**

7j. Discussion/possible action: Many unincorporated areas, even Covelo/Round Valley, have their own specific local plans as part of the County's General Plan. Is this a project the RVAMAC wants to participate in? Attachment: Covelo Local Plan 2009 **Critical item. Please move to top of agenda, under new business.**

8. Treasurer's report **\$2,235.11 balance**

9. Next Meeting: May 06, 2026. Send agenda items to:

admin@mac.roundvalley.org.

10. Adjournment **8:02**