Crest Forest Municipal Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes
Date/Time: February 7, 2017 at 6:30pm
Location: Community Meeting Room
Crestline Sanitation District Office
24516 Lake Drive, Crestline, CA

MAC Members Present:
Mike Pate, Chair
Kyle Schulty, Vice Chair
Connie Bracher
Gilbert Flores
Rick Dinon

MAC Members Not Present:

1.0 Call to order
The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chair Mike Pate

2.0 Approval of Minutes
Motion: Dinon made a motion to approve the minutes of December 6, 2016
Second: Schulty. Approved 4/0/0

3.0 Election of Officers
Pate made a motion nominating Kyle Schulty as chair. Second Bracher
Approved 4/0/0

Pate made a motion nominating Flores as vice chair. Second Bracher
Approved 5/0/0
Pate shared that he enjoys the MAC meetings and the community support he has received over the years. He appreciates everyone working together.

Schulty thanked Pate for his commitment and dedication to the Crest Forest MAC. Schulty chaired the meeting from this point.

**4.0 Correspondence & Announcements by MAC members**
Dinon mentioned that Marilyn Jordon, member of the Lake Gregory Yacht Club, among others, received a Golden Key award for promoting amateur radio and emergency communications on the mountain.

**5.0 Special Presentation: Punch Ringhofer**
Punch Ringhofer gave a presentation related to the issues of big rigs and Hwy 138. He gave background information and his concerns regarding an emergency. He asked the MAC if they would make a recommendation to Supervisor Rutherford that the County consider looking into the issue of limiting or restricting certain types of vehicles including big rig trucks. Several questions were asked from the MAC board as well as the community members present.

There are at least two possible options; widen turns and turnouts, or restrict traffic to specific types of vehicles.

Lt. Preszler discussed issues that affect the CHP. He mentioned that in times of emergency restricted vehicles could be escorted through the area.

Terri Kasinga discussed Cal Trans issues including the cost of widening 10 specific turns. She suggested having Supervisor Rutherford meet with District 8 Director John Bulinski to discuss possible solutions.

Dinon made a motion to recommend to Supervisor Rutherford that the County study a prohibition on large trucks on Hwy 138. Second: Bracher. Motion approved 5/0/0

**6.0 Supervisor’s Report**
Lewis Murray discussed the memorial service for Mike Neufeld, the short-term rental draft and upcoming Planning Commission meeting, the proposed chamber tourism program and congratulated Penny Shubnell as the Lake Arrowhead Communities Citizen of the Year.

**5.0 Discussion Items**
**Lake Gregory Update: Rick Dinon**
Rick Dinon gave an update on Lake Gregory. Evaporation is 2 ½ feet per year. They are still working on permits for dredging. They will be bringing in more sand to the beach area for the summer season. They will have to move the docks out. Six monitoring wells on the dam will be installed to measure how much water is permeating out of the dam. These measurements will determine whether the lake has to be lowered further. The Lake Gregory Improvement Committee will be resuming monthly meetings rather than bi-monthly with the County agencies involved in the project.
7.0 Community/ Agency Updates

**Terri Kasinga, Cal Trans:** Kasinga mentioned an emergency project on hwy 18 to repair netting that came down. There will need to be some daytime closures of the Narrows to do the work.

**Lt. Tel Preszler, CHP:** Lt. Preszler discussed storm related issues including closing the mountain to locals only for about half of a day. If you do not have a local address on either your license or registration, you will not be allowed through these types of closures. He reminded everyone that 4wd must carry chains and could potentially be turned away at chain control. He discussed the senior volunteer program. It should be up and running in the next couple of weeks. He also discussed accidents that involved the guardrail. There have been no fatalities since the guardrail has gone up.

**Gil Flores, Twin Peaks Sheriff:** Deputy Flores shared a release on Facebook regarding extra funding for extra officers. Three additional deputies per day will be assigned to Twin Peaks (and other resort area stations) during snow play events. Deputies are working hard. Did a search warrant yesterday with several arrests and drugs.

**Travis Thogmartin, Cal Fire:** Thogmartin discussed current Cal Fire issues

8.0 Old/ New Business:

New: Connie Bracher discussed the Rim of the World Recreation & Park District meeting last night. They are looking at four possible locations in the Crestline area for a new park. There was lots of community input. Any input, please contact the Rim Rec board.

9.0 Public Comment: No topics discussed

10. Next Meeting & Future Agenda Items

The next meeting of the Crest Forest MAC will be March 7, 2017, 6:30 pm at the Crestline Sanitation District Board Room

10.0 Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm