

LONG VALLEY

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Meeting of May 20, 2021 6:30 P.M. Zoom Meeting

ACTION MINUTES

Members present: Ron Day, Betty Kittle, Haislip Hayes, and Laura Beardsley.

Presenters & County staff present: Rhonda Duggan, Wendy Sugimura, and Kelly Karl.

Public present: Jen Roeser/McGee Creek Pack Station.

1. **Call to Order** by Supervisor Duggan at 6:35 p.m. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Supervisor Duggan.
2. **Public comment** (for items not listed on agenda): None.
3. **Action Items:**
 - a. **Election of Officers:**
 - Chair – Nomination of Hayes moved by Ron, Laura second.
 - *Vote: 3 yes (Ron, Betty, & Laura), 0 no, 1 abstention (Hayes)*
 - Vice Chair – Nomination of Laura moved by Betty, Ron second.
 - *Vote: 3 yes (Ron, Betty, & Hayes), 0 no, 1 abstention (Laura)*
 - Secretary - Nomination of Ron moved by Laura, Betty second.
 - *Vote: 3 yes (Laura, Betty, & Hayes), 0 no, 1 abstention (Ron)*
 - b. **Minutes:** No minutes to approve. Corrections: N/A
 - c. **Establish New Meeting Date:** RPAC member consensus on every other month (or as needed) on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m.
4. **Informational Items:**
 - a. **Supervisor's Report:** (*Rhonda Duggan*) Discussed weekly newsletter/ mailing list and noteworthy projects and community issues/items: increased traffic on Crowley Lake Drive and the potential need for signage/monitoring, pedestrian/vehicle conflict, the need for additional mailboxes in Crowley, dark sky lighting issues with new technology, dispersed camping, fire safety, and the RPACs role in highlighting and communicating issues to the District 2 Supervisor.
 - b. **RPAC Member Reports:** (*All Members*) No specific reports. Members collectively discussed local issues of increased traffic and pedestrian/vehicular conflict on Crowley Lake Drive and on Owens Gorge Road in Sunny Slopes. RPAC members discussed and recommended a future agenda item on Regional Transportation policies, local trails, dispersed recreation and increased pedestrian use in the community. Dark sky compliant lighting/new technology

issues was also discussed and identified as a future agenda item. Dispersed camping and wildfire concerns were expressed, and members recommended reaching out to Chief Maniaci to discuss fire safety & fire codes with the RPAC as a future agenda item. Members also discussed the

- c. Planning Update:** (*Kelly Karl*) Discussed two short-term rentals projects, one small rental in Long Valley (approved for operation) and a large rental in Crowley Lake (not approved for operation). Staff completed two comment letters on the Kore Mining Long Valley Exploratory Drilling Project and currently drafting a comment letter on the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection's 2021 State Minimum Fire Safe Regulations.

(*Wendy Sugimura*) Updated members on the status of General Plan Amendment (GPA) 21-01 and the recent Board of Supervisors discussion on the two discretionary policy actions related to the Chapter 16 Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) component of the GPA. Based on Board discussion, the updates to Chapter 16 will likely include a prohibition of short-term rentals in larger ADUs and will not include an ADU height limit.

Ron requested to be notified when GPA going to the Board of Supervisors. Rhonda will include a notice of that item in a future weekly newsletter when the item is on the Board agenda.

5. Discussion Items:

- a. RPAC Purpose as Approved by the Board of Supervisors:** Informational – no discussion.
- b. Discuss establishing new Bylaws:** RPAC member consensus on establishing simple bylaws (June Lake and Antelope Valley's Bylaws are the preferred templates). Rhonda suggested that Bylaws should include criteria for becoming an RPAC member such as resident, local business owner or landowner. RPAC members agreed. Bylaws will be circulated by staff to RPAC members for comments prior to the July meeting and will be added to the July meeting agenda for discussion/approval. County staff suggested adding a Brown Act training/presentation as a future agenda item.
- c. New RPAC Member recruiting:** RPAC member consensus on recruiting up to 9 members to facilitate greater participation in the RPAC. Suggested strategies for RPAC member recruiting included: create and post flyers on local community boards (County staff to create flyer, RPAC members will post), encouraging neighbors to participate in the RPAC, Mono County Facebook outreach (County staff to coordinate), Rhonda will include RPAC vacancy announcement in weekly email newsletter, coordinate with CSA1 on outreach (social media/ mailing lists), update the LVRPAC webpage, and potentially conduct outreach through online community networking platforms like Nextdoor.

6. Future Agenda Items:

- a.** Regional Transportation Plan, Regional Transportation Improvement Program and Long Valley Trails Plan.
- b.** Chief Maniaci Presentation
- c.** Short-Term Rental Policies
- d.** Brown Act Presentation
- e.** Survey of what the RPAC would like to work/focus on
- f.** Dark Sky Ordinance
- g.** Edison & Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS)
- h.** 2021 Fire Safe Standards

7. Adjourn to July 15 meeting at 6:30 p.m.