

Geyserville Planning Committee Draft Minutes
Public Meeting

March 19, 2019

4:00 to 6:00 pm

Present: Daisy Damskey, Paul Connors, Walter Kieser, Bryce Jones, Brian Sullivan, and Hal Hinkle.

Absent: Ryan Petersen

President's Welcome and Introductions

President Damskey opened the meeting and brought up the ongoing work that the County has undertaken to prevent the Russian River bank from further erosion, thus protecting River Road. It was agreed that we would draft a letter of appreciation to Johannes Hoevertsz, the County Transportation and Public Works Director. Walter volunteered to prepare a draft that will go on GPC letterhead.

Agenda Update

No changes to Agenda were suggested.

Approval of Minutes and Meeting Agenda

Minutes of the February GPC Meetings were reviewed. Minutes were approved, subject to minor changes suggested by Member Petersen, on a motion by Member Hinkle, seconded by Member Jones.

1. Public Comments on Items Not on Agenda

None.

2. Committee Outside Correspondence and Communication

There was no outside correspondence or communication noted by GPC members.

3. Consent Calendar Items

No items on the consent calendar (the Consent Calendar will include items such as authorizing routine payments of invoices and approval of contracts, etc., that have been previously discussed).

4. Financial Report

No financial report was given (Treasurer Peterson is absent).

5. Presentations

None.

6. Pending Development Project Reports

No Project referrals have recently been received from PRMD and no projects were formally discussed.

7. Member and Committee Reports

Member Bryce Jones attended a County Community Development Commission meeting to learn more about their programs (which center on supporting affordable housing in the County) and how they might be of assistance in Geyserville, including supporting affordable housing and related infrastructure funding. There will be subsequent follow-up to determine whether they might have funding for supporting park construction and other community improvements.

Member Connors reported that the Geyserville Fire Department had set up a committee to help raise \$50,000 for a new “chipper” (a tool that reduced wood waste to mulch). He suggested that GPC members could demonstrate leadership by making donations and helping with the fund-raising effort.

8. Board and Policy Matters

There was further discussion regarding potential coordination between the GPC and the newly formed Geyserville/Alexander Valley MAC. It was agreed that the GPC would offer a plan for such coordination and submit it to Supervisor James Gore in advance of the Community Meeting in April where he would have the opportunity to present the objectives of the MAC (related to establishing funding priorities) and how the work previously completed by the GPC (the Community Survey, etc.) can contribute to the effort going forward.

On an unanimously approved motion it was agreed that Member Kieser would send Supervisor Gore a quick email notifying him that the GPC would be making a formal proposal for coordination between the GPC and the Mac following a review of a draft that would be prepared in advance of the March 24th meeting by Members Hinkle and Kieser.

There was discussion regarding the agenda for the Community meeting, specifically, who would be invited to have “speaking” roles. While all of the local government representatives would be invited to participate in the meeting, including the School District, Fire District, Cal Am Water, the County Sheriff, etc., we want to limit presentations to a few minutes to keep the meeting moving. A draft agenda for the Community meeting will be prepared for consideration of the Board by President Damskey. If there are no “big issues” pending the GPC will encourage agencies to submit their comments and information in writing.

Adjourn

The GPC meeting of March 19, 2019 was adjourned at 5:30 PM. The next meeting of the GPC, meeting, will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 7:00 PM. The meeting is open to the public who are encouraged to attend and participate.