

PESCADERO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (PMAC)

MEETING NOTICE AND PROPOSED AGENDA

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Tuesday, March 10 2009, 7:30 PM,

Native Sons Hall, 112 Stage Road, Pescadero CA 94060

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL, CHANGES TO ORDER OF AGENDA
2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
3. PRESENTATIONS
 - A- Thomas Yonker for Tour de Max (Bike Ride)
 - B- Bill O'Callahan re: Siren in Pescadero
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
5. FINANCIAL REPORT – Pattie Brixen
6. CORRESPONDENCE – misc. correspondence – Rodger Reinhart
7. REPORTS FROM CURRENT COMMITTEE CHAIRS
 - A. Emergency Preparedness – Emergency shelters, supply trailers, ham radio communications, CERT training – Lary Lawson
 - B. Housing Committee – Status of Warheit Site project- Catherine Peery
 - C. School Board Meeting liaison – Don McDermott
 - D. Environmental Committee – Watershed Project – on hold
 - E. Liason to Puente, County Health & Human Services – Kate Meyer Haas
 - F. New Communications Committee – Rob Skinner
8. LAND USE COMMITTEE MEETING – ALL MEMBERS OF PMAC
 - A. Fire Suppression calcs: Background and Comments on Consultants Report – Rodger Reinhart. **PUBLIC COMMENT REQUESTED**
 - B. Review of Permits – if any
9. NEW BUSINESS-Need for outreach to bike riding groups to be warned of bike rides.
10. OLD BUSINESS –
11. Next Meeting Tuesday, April 14, 2009.
12. Adjournment

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Food, Needs, Current Concerns

March 09

- Puente completed a homeless count for the County, showed more people are living in their cars
- New arrivals in the Latino community with the rains, joining people already in the community even though there is little local work
- Puente continues to be in need of computers, bicycles, socks, towels, razors, and toilet care items
- We had a migrant worker outreach program during food distribution day (Thursday, Second Harvest) enrolling men under 22 in food assistance program
- Number of people working is going down, working hours are shorter
- La Honda is particularly hard hit, more folks coming in for food aid
- The mental health counselor has a substantial waiting list, the program is pinched trying to meet all the needs

Updates, Future Projects

- Puente anticipates receiving an alcohol/drug grant thru the Human Services Department
- Community building program is successful and is well utilized; Rita Mancera is heading this by tutoring the ESL program, migrant worker education and Spanish language program. Puente continues to need additional people interested in tutoring in these programs—the ESL, citizenship, they always need people at the homework club on Thursday.
- Sonrisas provided dental screening at the Food Day. They found a number of emergency dental cases. They plan to take this effort to a number of the ranches.
- Silver Terrace is letting their workers out early, Puente intends to begin a lunch program during the week
- The Pescadero Working Group plans to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that Puente be named as the Core Service agency for Pescadero. This would make Puente eligible for the County money they are due. The degree to which Puente does County work has been well demonstrated in the course of these meetings.
- Mobile Van plans to visit local farms providing farmers will agree to let workers off
- St Vincent de Paul Society began a food distribution program on the February 28th; they plan to hold this as a weekly event Saturday at St. Anthony's Church
- Puente has offered to host our PMAC minutes in their newsletter, translating them into Spanish

PMAC Communication Committee
March 2009

Coastsider as potential website host

Jeff called Barry Parr the site manager for Coastsider.net, his wife is the editor. This has become a for-profit endeavor for them; Barry's background is with the San Jose Mercury's website. He was open to the idea of Coastsider hosting an online presence for our community, potentially a Pescadero tab. Barry uses Expression Engine to manage his site and has offered us access to the software. This would allow us to see how the software and formatting works but we would not be able to upload. Since Barry's efforts are for-profit he and Jeff spoke in terms of our click-throughs going to his benefit in return for hosting the Pescadero presence, though this commitment was not made.

One really important piece that Barry offered was around the issue of community feedback and discussion. He warned that posting and hosting community grousing (my words) is a sink hole (my words again.) Barry offered that these are best directed toward a yahoo group and as issues develop out of forum community (which are hosted,) they can be directed toward a new yahoo group--a format where they are best held in the first place.

Coastsider.net used to have a calendar and no longer does. Barry questioned his community utilization of the calendar. That doesn't mean that the potential Pescadero tab couldn't or shouldn't host a calendar.

Cable station

We discussed the subject of the cable station for Pescadero. (Rob has already addressed this in another email.)

Community Calendar

We talked further about the calendar idea that Rodger has initiated. Rodger would like our help by gathering the information about each of our organization's calendaring needs and procedures. He would like us to contact each of them to learn how they are manage/viewe/displaye/circulate their organization's important dates. Here is our list of those entities to date below-- please email me additions and I will collect and distribute back to everyone with an assignment of who's to contact which entity. (Let me know if you already have or want to.) Once we know the information about each entity's calendar, we can make the decision if and how we want to proceed.

One issue we discussed, but I don't believe we made a decision on (and this was in the meeting the week earlier) was whether or not our calendar would include our for-profit entities or not. Or if we wanted to separate them into their own calendar, a second calendar or, different color on the same calendar... Anyway, I don't recall that we made

a decision about this. So how about we contact those folks (Dee, Norm's, Cindy's...)
Later once we've figured out what we are going to offer, if anything, to our not for profit entities.

Further we agreed a reasonable goal would be to have the link in place for the fire department to be able to upload a "yes the road is open" or "no it's not" (regarding the flooding on Pescadero Rd) Jeff and I are going to stop by and see if this is something they'd like or not. We agreed our long term goal is to host a camera for an real time online link.

Here is our entities list to date:

Emergency preparedness
Fire Station
La Honda Fire Brigade
Light House
Marsh Tours
PAFF
PMAC
Single events entities (bike races, car shows...)
Pescadero Foundation
Puente
The Thrift Store
The Mobile Van
St Anthony's Chuyrch
Community Church
Second Harvest Food Bank in Pescadero & La Honda
IDES hall
Native Son's Hall
Elementary School
High School

Our for profit entities:

Serabia's
Cindy's
Duarte's
Luna Sea
Made in Pescadero
The Taqueria
Norm's

County Manager's Office



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January 22, 2008

Catherine Peery, Chair
Pescadero Municipal Advisory Council (PMAC)
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Subject: Annual Allocation for PMAC Operations

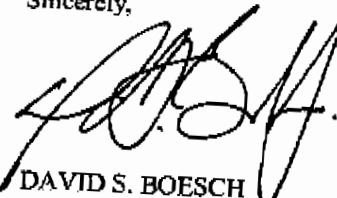
Dear Ms. Peery:

The County Manager's Office has been informed by Supervisor Richard Gordon's Office that PMAC would like to continue to receive its annual appropriated amount of \$3,000 in one lump sum payment. In order to disburse the funds in this manner, PMAC will need to once again agree to the following conditions:

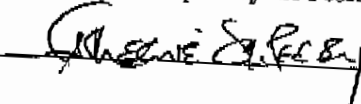
1. The PMAC remains an Advisory Commission, and has no authority to obligate or to act on behalf of, San Mateo County.
2. The funds received from San Mateo County need to be placed in a separate bank account, not mingled with other funds, and we would recommend access only by you and one back up person.
3. The funds need to be spent only for lawful PMAC meeting purposes and accounted for in the following categories: Printing and Copy Service; Postage and Mailing; Other Office Expense; Meeting Expense; Office Equipment Rental (if any); and, Telephone Service Charges.
4. At the end of the fiscal year, the PMAC needs to account for all funds spent by submitting to the San Mateo County Manager, a written report including original receipts and a written reconciliation of the account including all original bank statements and all original voided and/or cancelled checks.
5. This account and all transactions will be subject to audit by the San Mateo County Controller.

If you accept the terms listed above, please sign and return to my office and a check will be sent to your Council.

Sincerely,


DAVID S. BOESCH
County Manager

Agreed and Accepted by the Pescadero Municipal Advisory Council:


Catherine Peery, Chair PMAC

c: Honorable Rich Gordon, Supervisor, District 3
Honorable Tom Huening, County Controller
Tom Casey, County Counsel

Pescadero Commercial District (CSA11) Fire Flow
Upgrade Concept
March 2009

After the Pescadero water system was installed the state requirements for flow out of the down town fire hydrants was increased to 1500 gallons per minute for two hours. Currently the Hydrants put out about 900 gallons per minute. This applies only to the commercial district (mostly Stage Road) in down town Pescadero.



In 2007 the PMAC asked San Mateo County public works what would be required to upgrade the fire flow in the commercial district. The response was to completely rebuild the water system from downtown Pescadero up to the water tank located on the hill near the transfer station. This solution is not affordable, feasible or desirable for Pescadero.

Members of the PMAC and the community asked public works to evaluate the feasibility of a booster fire pump installed at the water tank to increase the flow out of the downtown fire hydrants to 1500 gallons per minute. Public works did not have in-house staff capable of evaluating the concept or budget to do the work. Through the efforts of Supervisors Gordon's office money was allocated in the 2008 budget to hire a consulting firm to evaluate the concept. The work was delayed 9 months because of a disagreement between county council office and the consulting firm on the terms of the contract.

The consulting firm issued a draft report in January. Public works has requested public input prior the report being completed. The draft report is available on the PMAC web site www.pescaderocouncil.org or by contacting Catherine Peery _____

The draft report concluded that the booster pump concept is feasible but complicated and expensive.

- \$ 280,000 for two pumps.
- \$ 270,000 for 70,000 gallons of additional water storage
- Pressure regulators may be required on Pescadero Creek Road residential connections.

The report answered a concept question. The PMAC is working on:

- Involve the property owners in the commercial district and the residents of CSA11 to determine IF the increased fire flow to downtown has a value.
- Bring the Fire Marshal into the discussion to clarify the fire flow requirements and discuss if the increased fire flow is really required for Pescadero.
- Discuss the concept of the pond and fire pump for downtown
- Coordinate any fire flow improvements with waste water treatment planning
- Forward community input to Public Works for the final report.