

ANTELOPE VALLEY

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Minutes of the Antelope Valley RPAC
April 6, 2023 meeting
6:30 p.m via zoom

Attending:

RPAC: RPAC: Patti H-C, Debbie Bush, John Vannoy, Bruce Woodworth, Katy Buell, Mark Langner, Eric Edgerton, Charlie Brown.
County and Agency: Phil Moores (ESTA), Power (USMC), Kristen Van Fleet (NPS), R Makoske (MC), Wendy Sugimura (MC), April Sall (MC)
Public: One.

Public comment (for items not on agenda): None

Action Items:

Approve AB 361 Resolution authorizing digital meetings based on winter storm disaster declarations. Motion Patti/Eric passed.
Approve minutes of February 2, 2023. Motion Katy/Patti passed.

Informational/Discussion items:

Input on transportation issues and unmet transit needs (Phil Moores, ESTA): Moores asked for input on transit needs. Debbie said that there was a lack of local service, Moores said that they are working on the issue. Katy suggested a better connection between YARTS and EST. Bruce suggested phone service for contacting EST, Moores said that riders can call dispatch directly 760-872-1901 x22. Patti asked about backup drivers, Moores said that it is difficult to find drivers for our area but they are looking.

Review and provide input on draft West Walker River Parkway Plan (Kristen Van Fleet, NPS and Marcella Rose, MC): Kristen discussed the draft document and the project timeline, process, priorities and planning and requested feedback. Patti asked about funding for implementation, Marcella said that there is no current budget but that she has ideas for grants and that further assessment and some rehabilitation might be completed this summer. Parking in the Eastside Lane area was discussed: Patti supported a couple of spaces, Bruce supported no parking spaces and Mark thought parking spaces should be kept as an option and in the mean time folks could park by the mailboxes. Debbie was concerned about traffic safety and overuse by the mailboxes and Katy was concerned about the possible blocking of private roads by improper parking . Marcella said that we will need to discuss maintenance stewardship and botany surveys. The plan will be brought before the next RPAC before heading to the Transportation Commission. The next Park clean-up is scheduled for June 24th, 9am to noon.

Monthly reports

RPAC member reports/comments:

Debbie reported that her father, PRAC member Arden, is in the hospital in Reno - well wishes were extended.

Katy said that she recently replied to a Sacramento housing survey about local issues and that there is a lack of interest in creating a local Fire Safe Counsel.
MWTC update (Doug Power): Doug reported that it was a good winter for training.
USFS update (Megan MULLowney): Not present.
Supervisor's Report (John Peters): Not present.

Planning update & meeting logistics (Staff):

Wendy reported that a couple of additional planning staff have been hired. She said that the BOS approved the use permit for the Eastside weed farm. She said that a local RV parking/storage issue will be before the Planning Commission at the next meeting. She reported that CalTrans has installed traffic cameras in the area as part of a traffic survey. She said that Liberty Utilities has not replied to the PC/BOS letter concerning under grounding of power line issues. Rob Makoske, a newly hired planner, introduced himself.

Next RPAC meeting: May 4, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Submitted by Mark Langner.