

County of Placer

RURAL LINCOLN MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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RURAL LINCOLN MAC MINUTES July 20, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

George Alves – Chair
Deirdre Lefty
Karla McAnally
Joyce Bachman

MEMBERS ABSENT

Richard Lewis

1. **Called to Order and Introduction of Members at 7:00 p.m.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** lead by Warren Bostick
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Joyce Bachman motioned to approve Minutes; Karla McAnally seconded motion. Minutes approved 3-0
4. **Approval of Agenda:** Joyce Bachman motioned to approve June Agenda as prepared. Deirdre Lefty seconded motion. July 20, 2015 Agenda approved 3-0
5. **Public Comment:**

Any member of the public may address the Municipal Advisory Council on any matter that is NOT listed on the agenda. Comments will normally be limited to five minutes at the discretion of the Chairperson. Warren Bostick brought up the Right to Farm Act. He stated the City of Lincoln is exempt from the Right to Farm ACT. He stated that we need to strengthen the right to farm act in Placer County

6. **Public Safety and School Reports:**

- A. Placer County Fire (530) 277-2317 –Battalion Chief Jim Mathias – jim.mathias@fire.ca.gov –
 1. There have a been a lot of small fires
 2. Cal Fire has 1 or 2 people of interest in the setting of fires in the Sheridan and Thermalands areas.
 3. There have been a lot of structure fires.
 4. Burn permits are suspended.
 5. The Board of Supervisors has extended 2 of the 5 items that they were going to cut –grass engine will staffed until December; Station 182 in Ophir will stay staffed until December

Cuts that go into effect on 7/29/15 –

- They will lose 4 employees from the Ophir station.
- Lost fire planner
- Battalion chief position will be reduced.

Statewide:

- They have sent one strike team to a fire burning in the Central Valley
- They had a water rescue from flooding in Southern California
- They received a \$5000 grant to which they will use to purchase an inflatable boat for the Thermalands areas for rescues at Camp Far West Lake.
- During the weekend of 10/2 – 10/5 at Camp Far West there will be an event called Tree City with roughly 1500 people a day attending.

B. Placer County Sheriff (916) 652-2419 –

Mailbox thefts are still up.

Residential thefts and burglaries are up.

The Sheriff's Department is going good budget wise. They just sworn in 50 new deputies.

C. CA Highway Patrol – (916) 663-3344 – “No Report”

D. WPUSD “No Report”

E. Greater Lincoln Fire Safe Council – Warren Bostick

Next meeting is 7/30/15. They have 8 people that have expressed interest in joining.

7. **MAC Committee & Local Government Reports:**

A. Traffic & Public Safety – George Alves and Joyce Bachman – No Report

B. Schools & Parks – Karla McAnally /Joyce Bachman – No Report

C. Land Use – Karla McAnally, Deirdre Lefty – “No Report”

D. Health Issues – Deirdre Lefty – No Report

E. City of Lincoln, Mayor Gabriel Hydrick –Gabriel Hydrick –

- Two subdivisions are going in on the East side of town: Clover Meadows and Meadowlands.

- Lincoln Blvd is getting a facelift.
- Kim's Country Kitchen was a victim of fraud scheme.
- Regional Sewer Project coming along well; should be completed at the end of next month.
- Transit services have all been taken over by the County.
- The City is making street improvements along E Street and Twelve Bridges Drive to include Safe Routes to School.
- The City has approved and selected a muralist to paint a mural on the side of the Family Dollar Store.
- Work on the Assisted Living Center behind Wal-Mart is starting up again.
- The Park and Recreation Department is accepting field sponsorships at the Park.
- The Mayor's Cup is this year will be held on 9/14/15.

F. Placer County – Jennifer Merino/Lyndell Grey

1. The value of Placer County's agricultural crops and products rose 4.4% during 2014 reaching its highest total I more than 20 years. The County Agriculture Commission noted that county farmers and ranchers reduced water use by more than 30% last year due to the strike.
2. Completion of the energy dissipation structure will begin Monday July 20, 2015. The work is located off pavement from Highway 193.
3. In order to expedite the horizontal directionally drilling installation beneath Auburn Ravine on Virginiatown Road, work will begin with a 24 hour / 5 day a week beginning July 13, 2015 through the end of the month. Construction will begin at 7 a.m. Monday and continue overnight Monday through Friday ending at 7 p.m. on Saturday.
4. Bridge replacement project on Wise Road at Doty Creek is in the initial planning stage.
5. The Winery Ordinance proposed revisions is open for public comment from July 10, 2015 through August 10, 2015. Additional comments can be emailed to cdraces@placer.ca.gov. This will then be scheduled on the Planning Commission's Agenda sometime late August or early September.
6. The Board of Supervisor's voted unanimously to approve an \$803 million proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015. The proposed 2015-2016 budget spending plan is a balanced budget that continues the county's path toward long-term sustainability and strikes a delicate balance between competing priorities with limited resources and anticipated cost increases.
7. The State has issued a Cease and Desist order to the Tracy Irrigation District making it the first target of disciplinary action under the drought driven crackdown.

8. The County's Health and Human Services Department will receive five 2015 Achievement Awards at next month's annual convention of the National Association of Counties.
9. The County has implemented the association of a new "problem-oriented policing" deputy in North Auburn to Sheriff's Deputy Zach Polesz. His role will encompass a wide variety of problems that frequently occur in the North Auburn area such as vandalism, trespassing, theft and every day nuisances.
10. The County is set to officially close its doors to the transient and homeless campers.

8. Action Item: NONE

9. Informational - Non - Action Item:

Liisa Stark from Union Pacific provided an overview of Union Pacific's safety programs of transporting crude oil.

Union Pacific has been in service for 150 years and was started by Abraham Lincoln. Union Pacific runs through 23 states west of the Mississippi. Rails are America's safest industry.

Why does the rail line transport crude oil? It is the job of Union Pacific as a common carrier a role defined by the federal government to deliver crude oil to us in a conformity with the UD department of Transportation requiring US to transport it.

The risks are low and getting lower. Crude oil shipments are delivered without incident. From 2004 – 2013, UP has reduced train derailments by 23%.

Track design and construction consists of foundation, drainage, concrete ties and continuous welded rail.

Union Pacific track inspection program in California consists of:

- 5- Day FRA track safety standards training
- Monthly evaluations by managers
- Annual training and on the job training

- 43 full time dedicated track inspectors
- 17 Managers of track maintenance
- 480 track maintenance employees
- Track inspection with hy-rail pickups more than twice a week
- Visual inspections prevent derailment
- Special inspections are performed during storms and after earthquakes

Union Pacific Detector Systems uses key technology to prevent broken rail derailments. They test main lime rail in California every 3 to 6 months. UP has four rail detectors full time. Ultrasonic searches internally for rail flows. The rail cars in California are the latest technology – 2 years old or less.

Bridge Inspection program structures assessment team consist of 6 two person full time teams; 1 snooper truck in Western Region; 66 bridge maintenance employees; 2 bridge maintenance managers and 1 director of bridge maintenance.

Union Pacific's signal inspection program has 218 employees in California: They maintain the wayside of signal systems; maintain and inspect crossing gates.

Management's mission on hazardous materials is:

Prevention: Prevent releases of hazardous materials in transportation

Preparedness: Develop internal and external assets for responses and recovery

Response: Emergency response to releases to protect health minimize impact and stabilize the incident and

Recovery: Progress incident to normal operations and to the point where closure work can begin.

Armour Yellow Outside – green inside

One train takes up to 300 trucks off congested highways

Rail is almost four times more fuel efficient than trucks

UP can haul one ton of freight 471 miles on one gallon of diesel fuel

Rail transportation is three times cleaner than trucks on a ton-mile basis

- 10. Correspondence:**
- 11. Future Agenda Items:**
- 12. Announcements & Information:**
- 13. Next Regular Meeting: August 17, 2015**
- 14. Adjournment: 8:35 PM**