

County of Placer  
**FORESTHILL FORUM**

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**Minutes – June 1, 2015**  
**Foresthill Municipal Advisory Council**  
Foresthill Memorial Hall, Leroy E. Botts Memorial Park

**Members Present:**

Chase Dowling, Chair  
Sheryl Petersen  
Larry Jordan  
Gail McCafferty  
Sharon Page  
Duane Frink

**County Staff Present:**

Paula David, Contract Secretary

**Members Absent:** Michael Whittle

1. **CALL TO ORDER-** The regular meeting of the Forum was called to order at 7:08 PM by Chair Chase Dowling.
2. **ROLL CALL PERFORMED BY CONTRACT SECRETARY-** A quorum of the Board was present.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-** The Forum was led in the Pledge by Chair Chase Dowling.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM May 4, 2015-**

**MOTION:** Approve minutes from May as written.  
**MCCAFFERTY/ PAGE UNANIMOUS 6-0**

5. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR JUNE 1, 2015-**

**MOTION:** Approve Agenda as presented.  
**FRINK/ PETERSEN UNANIMOUS 6-0**

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT-** Sheri Wicks announced the presentation of the play "Harvey", at Auburn Community Theater June 12, as a fundraiser for Auburn Community Cancer Endowment Fund.
7. **FORUM MEMBER COMMENTS –** Sharon Page mentioned the upcoming Fabric Frenzy fundraiser, June 13 and 14, all proceeds to benefit Foresthill area non-profits; Duane Frink asked about the process to remove the burned structure at the corner of Main and Church Street, and asked if the County maintenance crew were doing any extra mowing due to the drought conditions; Chase Dowling mentioned the Iowa Hill Chili Cook-Off fundraiser brought in approximately \$1,200.
8. **COUNTY UPDATE-** None

## **9. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS -**

- A. Placer County Sheriff's Department-** Deputy Thomas Orsolini reported 254 calls in May, with 4 priority one and 22 priority two. He mentioned several personnel/schedule changes in the officer staffing.
- B. CHP-** No report
- C. Foresthill Fire Protection District/Fire Safe Council –** Gary Kirk reported:
  - 328 calls year-to-date, 64 in May;
  - FireWise Coordinator Luana Dowling reported that Todd Valley and Mosquito Ridge fuel break projects were in the environmental process; demonstration site along Foresthill Road will be cleaned up soon.
- D. U.S. Forest Service—**Victor Lyon reported over 2,500 acres have been planted in the Big Hope salvage project; logging sales from the American Fire are on-going; all campgrounds are open.

## **10. COMMUNITY REPORTS-**

- A.** Foresthill Chamber of Commerce: No report
- B.** Foresthill Public Utility District: Ron Mills, Operations Supervisor, reported:
  - Water sale to SCVWD is now complete;
  - The boat ramp at Sugar Pine will be cleaned up;
  - They have not received any specific regulations from the State regarding water conservation as of yet;
  - A tour of the office, plant and dam will be held on June 13.
- C.** Bioenergy Meetings update: The last meeting was to discuss business items since they have reached their conclusion.

## **11. INFORMATION/NON-ACTION ITEMS-**

### **A. Bio-energy Feasibility Study:**

- Elisa Noble mentioned that the Resource Conservation District has received 5 grants from the SRA fees, one of them being the Chipper Program;
- Brett Storey spoke on the process of collecting data and information for the study, the agencies involved, and the importance of partnerships for a successful plant. Conditions here would support a 1-2 megawatt facility using gasification technology.

## **12. FUTURE BUSINESS, CORRESPONDENCE and ANNOUNCEMENTS—**

Next meeting is scheduled for July 6.

## **14. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.