



County of Placer
Foresthill Forum

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – Approved 8/7/23.

Monday, July 10, 2023

1. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance: 7:00pm

2. Welcome & Introduction of Members:

Chase Dowling - Chair, Stephen Smith – Vice-chair, Larry Jordan, Gail McCafferty, Sharon Page, Debbie Sanchez, Joshua Miller

3. Approval of July 10, 2023, Agenda:

MOTION: Jordan/Miller 6/0 to approve Agenda as is.

AYES: Dowling, McCafferty, Miller, Smith, Page, Jordan, Miller

ABSENT: Sanchez

4. Approval of June 5, 2023, Minutes:

MOTION: McCafferty/Page 6/0 to approve Minutes as is.

AYES: Dowling, McCafferty, Miller, Smith, Page, Jordan, Miller

ABSENT: Sanchez

5. Approval of May 1, 2023, Minutes:

MOTION: Jordan/Page 6/0 to approve minutes as is.

AYES: Dowling, McCafferty, Miller, Smith, Page, Jordan, Miller

ABSENT: Sanchez

6. Public Comment:

7. Forum Member Comments:

1. Gail McCafferty – It's going to be hot be ready. Also, Ben a long-time member from Wortons has passed away recently. Thank you, Community for the Volunteer help, pouring the Vendor pads in the park.
2. Larry Jordan – Rich Johnson a former Ranger was injured for those who know him maybe check in on him. Requested a card be sent from the Forum and County.
3. Sharon Page – Ian Gow a past fire chief is on the hospital from cancer surgery please add another card for him.
4. Josh Miller – The 4th of July parade was amazing. Great job everyone.

8. Reports:

A. Public Safety:

The MAC is composed of appointed community members whose purpose is to advise the Board of Supervisors about activities and problems of the area represented. Residents are encouraged to attend and talk about issues important to them. More info at www.placer.ca.gov/bos/mac . Placer County is committed to ensuring that persons with disabilities are provided the resources to participate fully in public meeting. If you require disability-related modifications or accommodations, including auxiliary aid or services, to attend or participate in this meeting, please contact the Board of Supervisor's Office.





1. **Placer County Sheriff's Department (PCSO):** Deputy Mackenstadt – Reported that the murderer that was on the loose has been caught and the investigation is ongoing. Gave report stats for the Month of June including Foresthill specific updates. The 4th of July parade was fun stay safe.
2. **CHP:** Not in Attendance
3. **Cal-FIRE / Placer County Fire Department:** Probationary Fire Chief James Schichtel – Introduced himself as the new probationary Fire Chief a Foresthill local with lots of experience working with and for Foresthill Fire Protection District. Station 11 has been hard at work with their new Gym project as well as the ongoing training of personnel. Please email us with an requests or questions. James.Schichtel@Fire.ca.gov
4. **Foresthill Fire Protection District:** Interim Chief Dennis Martin – Introduced himself as the Interim Fire Chief who will become permanent in August. Gave report stats for the month. The Western States went well. Spoke regarding inspections for June as well as the inspections for the 4th of July.
5. **U.S. Forest Service:** Deferred report to be included in the information item.
6. **Foresthill Fire Safe Council:** Chase Dowling – No update
7. **Placer County Fish & Game Commission:** Not in Attendance

B. Committees & Community:

1. **Foresthill Union School District:** Not in Attendance
 2. **Placer Union High School District:** Not in Attendance
 3. **Parks & Trails Subcommittee:** Gail McCafferty – Nothing new to report other than the Memorial Hall Floors are being redone. Next month the meeting will be held at 5:30 in the small room prior to the Forum Meeting at the Memorial Hall.
 4. **Foresthill Chamber of Commerce/Economic Development Council:** Not in Attendance
 5. **Foresthill PUD:** Not in Attendance
9. **County Report:** Supervisor Gustafson – Introduced herself to those who may not know her. Gave a few updates regarding items that the forum requested information or follow up on. Spoke regarding the June 14th Board of Supervisors Meeting. Approved the Projects list Many of which are in Foresthill. Attended the Grand Jury Empanelment. The Chipper program is up and running again 2–3-week delay and more funding added to help low income, elderly, and disabled contact code enforcement to get on the list. A letter opposing Bill AB398 was sent out. She further spoke regarding the upcoming Board Of supervisors meeting, what will be covered etc. She introduced two new staff members who will be helping her and Sophie, Bridget Powers District Director,



and Alina Prescott District Representative. She then answered questions from the Forum and community members in attendance.

10. Action Item(s): None

11. Information/Non-Action Item(s):

A. Eldorado National Forest Update

Representatives from the United States Forest Service and Eldorado National Forest will provide an update on Mosquito Ridge Road and other areas surrounding Foresthill and their timeline for reopening.

Presenter: District Ranger Joseph Garrotto, U.S. Forest Service; Michelle Barry, U.S. Forest Service

12. Future Agenda Items:

13. Adjournment: 8:18pm to next tentative meeting on August 7, 2023.