



County of Placer  
**Foresthill Forum**

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**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – Approved 11/7/22**

Monday, October 3, 2022

**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. Action Item(s):**

**A. Approval of October 3, 2022 Agenda:**

**MOTION:** McCafferty/Page 7/0 to approve Agenda as is.

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

**ABSENT:**

**B. Approval of August 1, 2022 Minutes:**

**MOTION:** McCafferty/Miller 7/0 to approve Minutes as is.

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

**ABSENT:**

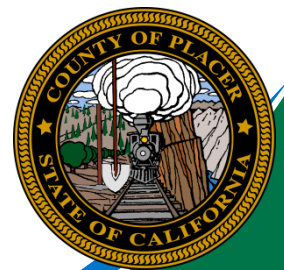
**4. Public Comment:**

1. Paula Bertoncin – Thanked first responders and the forum for educating and preparing the community for an emergency. Thanked Placer County for the chipper program. Spoke regarding rumors floating around and encouraged people to attend meetings to get correct information. Grateful our community is standing.
2. Mark Bell – Board Member for the PUD spoke about his past experience and asked for support on the upcoming election.
3. Denise Fleming – Placer Union High School District elections are upcoming look into the 2 candidates and please vote. Foresthill Strong has a big event coming up be on the lookout for the announcement soon and be sure to participate to help support those impacted by the fire.
4. Connie Smith – Would like for someone to look into how secure Mammoth Bar and Rucky Chuck are in terms of a potential Fire threat.

**5. Forum Member Comments:**

1. Larry Jordan – There will be a gas giveaway tomorrow at Valero from 10-2. There is Also a food giveaway October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> in town 2-6pm. Thank you Cindy and Sophie for putting in so many hours during the fire it is very appreciated.
2. Sharon Page – The dirt path by Upper mill there is a big metal bracket in the foot path area that is a potential hazard.

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](http://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.





3. Debbie Sanchez – Thanked Cindy for all the hard work and being on top of everything requested during the fire getting it set up and available right away.
4. Gail McCafferty – The first responders were awesome. The way the evacuation flowed etc. Thank you to everyone who worked on and helped with this fire.

## 6. Reports:

### A. Public Safety:

1. **CHP:** Officer Kelly – Thanked everyone for their patience during the road closures in Foresthill. Gave report numbers for the month of September. An email has been submitted to the traffic engineers with the County regarding the ongoing parking issues at Lake Clementine.
2. **Placer County Fish & Game Commission:** Not in Attendance

### B. Committees & Community:

1. **Foresthill Union School District:** Superintendent Taylor – Thanked the first responders and County supports during the fire. Grateful for the level of consistency and timely communication during the entire event. There are some facelifts going on at the old elementary location. Expect some landscaping etc. The district office will be moving back there hopefully soon. The FUSD campus will also be getting some facelifts as well. More funding opportunities for before and after school programs are coming available as well as some enrichment options. The next Board meeting is October 17<sup>th</sup>. Still pursuing options for bussing but the huge problem is still drivers.
2. **Parks & Trails Subcommittee:** Gail McCafferty – Nothing to report this month.
3. **Foresthill Chamber of Commerce/Economic Development Council:** Debbie Guidi – Spoke regarding multiple events and what was available, offered, and who was involved. Upcoming there will be a food drive October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> 2-6pm in town at the old subway location. Lots of food for everyone. She spoke regarding all the specifics of that event the volunteers and those who donated. She further spoke regarding attending a town hall event at Makers and if you are interested in her notes on that please contact her and she will share. The monthly Chamber mixer will be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. There will be a page on the Chamber website with information regarding the fire, resources, upcoming events, etc.
4. **Foresthill PUD:** Hank White – PUD provided 7 million gallons of water for the fire just from hydrants. There were no water quality issues or issues with service during the fire. We still have plenty of water available and in reserves. Road construction and maintenance has been replacing the old outdated pipeline on the main road and a few side streets as well as adding in updated and more Hydrants. This project was funded by the 2020 water transfer. If water flowed



through your meter during the fire you will be charged. Do not leave sprinklers on, on your house. Leave instructions on where and how to turn them on for firefighters instead.

**C. County Report:** Supervisor Gustafson – Introduced Sarah Jones with Placer Resource Conservation District and had her speak briefly about what is available post Fire. you can find information at [www.placerrcd.org](http://www.placerrcd.org). Supervisor Gustafson Thanked the Community, those who called in to alert her about potential problems, those who followed directions quickly, etc. She thanked all of the departments that were involved with the fire efforts, and the ability to be involved with them and their efforts. She thanked the Placer community foundation for getting funds into people's hands as quickly as it was available. She thanked all the Volunteers and Staff, County Services, and all involved. Please send names and stories of your evacuations in she would like to thank and compile a list of those who helped in anyway. Dave Atkinson with OES. Thank you. She briefly went over Tuesdays Board meeting and what will be covered. Will bring more updates and information to next months Forum.

**7. Information/Non-Action Item(s):**

**A. Foresthill Road High Friction Surface Treatment Project Update.**

Update on the current construction schedule for the work being done on Foresthill Road.

The U.S. Forest Service presented an update on Foresthill activities.

**Presenter: Kevin Ordway, Placer County Department of Public Works.**

**B. Mosquito Fire Update.**

Cal-Fire, Foresthill Fire Protection District, Placer County Sheriff Office, Placer County Office of Emergency Services and U. S Forest Service presented an update on the Mosquito Fire. **Presenters: Cal-Fire, Foresthill Fire Protection**

**District, Placer County Sheriff Office, Placer County Office of Emergency Services, and U.S Forest Service.**

**8. Adjournment:** 9:15pm to next tentative meeting on November 7, 2022.