



County of Placer
Granite Bay Municipal Advisory Council
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10/6/2021 MEETING MINUTES: APPROVED 11/3/2021

6:00 PM, Wednesday, October 6, 2021

Meeting Location: Granite Bay Library 6475 Douglas Blvd. Granite Bay

Online via Zoom (link below) | **Meeting ID: 986 2597 8192**

This was an in-person meeting for the MAC members and county staff, and the public was also welcome to participate in person.

Options for the public to participate virtually were also be offered as follows:

Members of the public observed and participated in this meeting by accessing the following web link: <https://placer-ca-gov.zoom.us/j/98625978192>

Members of the public accessed meeting audio by calling 1-877-853-5247 (Toll Free) or 1-888-788-0099 (Toll Free) **Conference ID: 986 2597 8192**

1. Call to Order – 6:00PM by Chair Virgil Anderson

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

- **Present:** Virgil Anderson, Amber Beckler, Gary Flannigan, Sandra Harris, Kristine Johnson, and Nick Johnson
- **Absent:** None

4. Approval of September 1, 2021 Minutes

- Approved: Sandy Harris / Kristine Johnson / Unanimous approval

5. Approval of October 6, 2021 Agenda

- Approved: Gary Flannigan / Nick Johnson / Unanimous approval

6. Public Safety & MAC Member Reports

A. Placer County Sheriff's Office – Officer Bliss

- PCSO received 313 citizen calls in September 2021 and responded to 46 suspicious vehicle/person, 35 disturbances, and 30 traffic stops.



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.

- Residents are encouraged to use security cameras, lock their home and vehicle doors, and have someone check on their homes when away.

B. California Highway Patrol – Officer David Martinez, Auburn CHP

- Report for September 2021: 59 injury accidents (3 fatal), 71 non-injury accidents, 30 DUI arrests, 55 vehicles impounded, and 187 motor services.
- CHP has received a lot of calls regarding traffic issues in Granite Bay so a team was assembled to come out. Many violations were observed and addressed. CHP will continue to have a stronger presence in the area.
- Residents can call dispatch or submit information online at the Auburn CHP's website under the "Complaint/Commend" section. This will create a record of the issue, which will allow follow-up.
- In response to a question from MAC member Gary Flannigan regarding the California State Vehicle Abatement Program, Officer Martinez clarified that the county has to opt in to the program and that CHP is currently talking to Placer County leadership about joining.

C. South Placer Fire – Captain Kelly Moretti

- SPF currently has crews returning from the Dixie Fire and is sending a crew out to assist with the Fawn Fire. In September 2021 they responded to 370 calls for service.
- Covid rates in our area are decreasing – SPF was previously transporting 2-3 patient/day, but now are transporting about 3-4/week.
- Residents are encouraged to have their chimneys swept and inspected in preparation for the cooler weather. Fire danger is still very high and residents should now mow after 10AM.
- Captain Moretti provided some additional information regarding the surveys that residents recently received regarding proposed tax increases in support of SPF. Current funding was largely set by propositions in the 1970s and 1980s, without any adjustments. The pool of candidates and volunteers has decreased in that time and the demands and equipment costs have increased. Residents who have questions are encouraged to reach out to SPF.

D. CalFire – Chief Ryan Wessner

- Strike teams have now returned, many were out for more than 40 days.
- The helicopter contract will continue through November. The chipper program is still in effect. Interested residents can sign up for a reservation at the beginning of the year.

E. MAC Member reports

- Broadband Internet Report – Kristine Johnson
 - SB 156 is a “last mile” bill which helps to bring internet to underserved areas. Public comment is open and a link will be posted.

7. Public Comment – None

8. Information Non-Action Items

A. MAC Member Briefing – Cottonwood Dam/Miner’s Ravine Channel Restoration Update

A short update on the status of the proposed Cottonwood Dam/Miner’s Ravine Channel Restoration project.

Presenter: Gary Flanagan

- Placer County submitted a grant request to the Wildlife Conservation Board which would help to pay for plans and SEQUA document preparation. If request is approved a full application will be submitted.
- Mitigation fees paid by developers are starting to build up in the fund and they are working to try to get some set aside for this project.

9. Supervisor Report

A. District 4 projects report

Led by Supervisor Jones

- Census data has been received – 16% population growth and District 4 added about 2000 people. Maps and information regarding proposed redistricting can be accessed at Placer.CA.gov/redistricting.

- There will be a drug takeback event held 10/23/21 from 10am to 2pm at Maidu and Del Oro High School. They will be accepting both prescription and illicit drugs.
- Residents have received a survey regarding funding for the Fire District. As mentioned earlier, funding has remained largely unchanged in the past 40+ years and additionally a FEMA grant recently ended, therefore it is time to revisit funding. Residents are encouraged to complete their surveys and fill in the comment section.
- After providing an update regarding status of current developments underway, Supervisor Jones reiterated that she and her office are committed to upholding the citizens' right to review projects. Resident Cheryl Berkema expressed concern about efforts to "streamline" the approval process which may decrease the Supervisor and citizens' ability to have input in the process.
- Supervisor Jones proposed that a time be found for a MAC/Board workshop, possibly on a Saturday or in lieu of an upcoming MAC meeting.

10. Subcommittee Reports

A. Granite Bay Community Plan Workshop update – Kristine Johnson

- The subcommittee members have been in contact with Ken Grehm, Director of Public Works, and have been seeking a follow-up meeting regarding traffic and planning. They will continue to advocate for the Granite Bay Community Plan.

B. Natural Resources, Open Space & Trails Committee update – Amber Beckler

- Subcommittee members have reached out to residents who they have identified as owners of possible open-space areas. Additionally, they are looking through the inventory of county-owned properties for corridors to protect.

11. Adjournment: At 7:07 PM until the next regular meeting on November 3, 2021.