

# Winchester/Homeland Municipal Advisory Council

## MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 8, 2015

Place: Winchester Community Center, 32655 Haddock Street, Winchester

### Attendees:

Winchester MAC:

Dirk Meredith, Vice-Chairman; James Horecka, Secretary; Jeff Logan. Absent: Andy Domenigoni, Jimmy Sheldrake.

Ex Officio:

Opal Hellweg, Legislative Assistant for Third District Supervisor

Members of the Public

Call to Order: Call to Order by Dirk Meredith at 6:31 PM (Chairman Domenigoni absent).

### Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve: Horecka; Second: Logan. Approved, unanimous by three present.

### Approval of September Meeting Minutes:

Motion to approve: Horecka; Second: Logan. Approved, unanimous by three present.

Guest Speaker: Corinne Awa, Joe Contaio and Hans Kernkamp from Riverside County Waste.

Corinne Awad, Public Affairs Coordinator for Riverside County Waste, described the activities of Riverside County Waste. Name change is rather recent: Board of Supe's approved in May. Six non-hazardous Class 3 Landfills. These are engineered landfills, with liners, etc. they handle 3.5 million tons of refuse. They endeavor to keep hazardous wastes out of the landfills. Many HHW events are schedule throughout the county, throughout the year. Showed schedule. They have a compost education program. AB 1826: Organic Recycling Law: Businesses generating over 8 CY must recycle their organic wastes. RCW is building an Education Center at the Lamb's Canyon Landfill. Not just for children, but for students through college age. Special units handle illegal dumping, graffiti, community cleanup events, etc. Opened floor to questions & comments:

C: Citizens noted illegal dumping, especially after landfills closed.

Q: Graffiti? A: RCW took over graffiti abatement. Gave number: 1-866-732-1444. RCW has two painters, county-wide, who try to keep up on the tasks as swiftly as possible.

Q: Tires? A: Call 1-800-870-6600.

Q: HHW events? A: For Homeland event slated for Oct 17<sup>th</sup>, at Heritage High School.

Q: Status of Double Butte? A: Various technical details were mentioned. Future use would be limited.

Q: Contamination from Double Butte? A: Monitoring is ongoing. Concerns may arise, then be attended to.

Q: Would other uses be allowed on the D.B. site? A: Yes, but such must be compatible with the landfill.

Q: Homeland site? A: That is an old burn site being remediated. Watson & Leon.

Q: Fluorescents? A: There is one permanent HHW site in each district. See website. Noted that ABOP facilities are very different from normal HHW affairs.

The audience thanked the representatives from Riverside County Waste for their presentation.

### New Business.

A. The Winchester Town Association Fundraiser was announced.

B. Other: None.

### Old Business:

A. Update – Opal Hellweg, 3rd District Legislative Assistant:

· Upcoming: French Valley Air Show: The first! Wings & Wine, Brew Fest, etc. Free event. See Flyer. This event is being held here instead of at Hemet Ryan Field. The sites will rotate every other year.

B. Sheriff Dept.;

· Lt. Fellows reported: Nothing significant. Noted an increase in thefts of Ford F 250s & 350s. RAID is on it: Riverside Auto Theft Interdiction Detail.

- Briefly mentioned MET: Marijuana Extradition Team. Presently, they are focusing on large farms, and violators too close to schools.
- C. EMWD Updates:
  - Kevin Pearson & Phil Paule. Recent construction has now been completed. Announced upcoming Water Fair; brought flyers for this event. October 17<sup>th</sup>, 9-1, at EMWD HQ.
- D. Highway 79 (realignment) update.
  - The Highway 79 Summit occurred. A variety of topics got covered. TUMF will remain through 2019 or longer. Citizens can still comment: See the RCTC website.
- E. MWD Proposed Solar Farm:
  - No news. Option likely expired. Action: Drop.
- F. Land Use:
  - Downtown Core Planning: No update.
  - Riverside County General Plan Amendment No. 1120, Housing Element: No update.
- G. City of Hemet update: Jeff Logan reported on misc. minor items. Not much affecting our area, aside from the proposed Annexation 14-001, 995 acres east of California Street, which the WTA Land Use Committee is following. A Hemet City Councilman was present.
- H. City of Menifee
  - No update.
- I. Other Old Business:
  - None.

Open Forum:

1. Citizens brought up various comments & concerns which included:
  - Broken red light at the signal at Domenigoni & Winchester Rd. Was reported to Cal Trans.
  - Noted there are significant potholes near Winchester Market.
  - M. Plumb inquired about the surveyors working near the site for Dollar General; perhaps Flood?
  - Citizens gave a kudos to those who helped with cleanup efforts after the recent storm.
  - Logan mentioned various cleanup issues near his home.

Next WMAC Meeting:

The next WMAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 12, 2015, 6:30 PM, at the Community Center.

Adjournment: The WMAC adjourned at 7:54 PM.