

Santa Margarita Area Advisory Council  
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7 PM, Wednesday, February 4, 2015  
Santa Margarita Community Hall  
22501 I Street, Santa Margarita, CA 93453

### **Minutes: February 4, 2015**

**Members Present:** Sophie Treder, Tamara Kleeman, Jeremy Burns, Stuart Souza, Joe Patterson, George Sullivan, Joseph Fariss, Dana Tryde, Sue Christian, JoAnn Head, Richard Gayou, Wade Cromley (Alternate for Mike Cole). 15 people in audience.

1. **Call to Order - 7:07 pm.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Approval of the Minutes from the previous meeting** – Secretary Robert Stockel not present, no draft minutes circulated, tabled until next meeting.
4. **Approval of the Agenda** – No comments, MTA by Jeremy Burns, 2<sup>nd</sup> George Sullivan, MPU.
5. **Review of Meeting Structure** - No comments.
  - a. Audio/Video Recorders
  - b. SMAAC meeting procedure for project review
  - c. Rules for presenting testimony
  - d. Agenda item requests – submit requests no later than ten days prior to meeting. Requests to be submitted through representatives to Chairman. Late requests must be submitted in writing and may be included in the agenda at the Chairman’s discretion.
6. **Public Safety** - None present
  - a. Cal Fire/County Fire Department
  - b. Sheriff’s Department
  - c. Highway Patrol
  - d. Other Agencies
7. **CSA 23 Update** - Sharon Manini from the audience gave the report. They had nominations for elections, and elections are tomorrow. People can come to the meeting

tomorrow if they want to run: Community Hall, 7 pm. They are working on the Highway 58 crosswalks.

## **8a. Open comment -**

### **a. Public announcements and comments regarding items not on the agenda.**

Heidi Peterson—Resident of Santa Margarita, J Street. Spoke on the Las Pilitas Resources Quarry. Thanks volunteers, subcommittee, voiced concerns about how we did the original vote, that it was not agendized, only subcommittee report was agendized, so the public did not know to be present. No presentation by County Staff. Vote was precipitous and presumptuous. She has no problem with the Hanson quarry, only with the Las Pilitas Quarry.

Gwen Pelfrey—Resident of Templeton. Came because TAAG has 3 different county staff coming to their next meeting, she expected to see them here. Wants to give information from WRAC meeting today. On March 10, the Board of Supervisors will be considering the RMS Report. County Staff is recommending Level III severity for Atascadero, which includes Garden Farms. For Santa Margarita, they've said Level II, but Table in the Report says Level III. Whole report is 100 pages. Has extra copy from WRAC meeting of subcommittee report on the basins going from Level I to Level III. WRAC moved to approve this report and to ask the Board of Supervisors move it from March 10. Templeton and Atascadero don't believe they are Level III for a variety of reasons. Santa Margarita should be paying attention to this.

Sophie Treder thanked Ms. Pelfrey for her comment, and gave some background on the RMS, and suggested that SMAAC form a subcommittee to look into and question the science of labeling Santa Margarita LOS III.

Heidi Peterson from the public: why would you question the science? Thought it was an odd statement.

Chairman Patterson agreed to form a subcommittee during chairman's report.

Taylor Muley from the public: Bought house on K St, is now looking for road abandonment, since there is no thru access. Public Works said to come here, see what people had to say. The address is 22355 K Street. Some questions from councilmembers followed. Sophie Treder noted that this is not an action item, but that the council should raise concerns if they have any, in order to give some general feedback to the applicant and public works. George Sullivan noted that where you have a dead end easement there is no public interest except to park your car and loiter. So this is a no brainer. The title holder owns the property and is just

trying to remove the overlying easement. JoAnn Head concurred. No negative concerns were raised.

**8b. Council announcements and comments regarding items not on the agenda.** George Sullivan noted that he raised Santa Margarita route issues at the last SLOCOG meeting, for whatever that's worth.

## **9. New Business:**

**a. Cemetery Land Division Application – Gilbert Cabrera – Lot line adjustment for 0.68 acres.**

**b. Cemetery Land Use Permit Application – Gilbert Cabrera – Change land use from G to Public Facilities.**

Arlin Singewald, County Planner, gave the presentation. Same basic project, but separate approvals required: This is a 0.68 land donation from Santa Margarita Ranch to the Cemetery District. This will require a lot line adjustment, followed by a general plan amendment to change the zoning from Ag to public facilities, and a minor use permit required for cemetery. Gail Cabrebro from the Cemetery District presented. They are almost at full capacity, need the additional land. Hopefully .68 acres will get us another 40 years, but cremation is becoming a trend. Currently 3 acres lasted 100 years. Noted that most of the application fees were waived. Public Comment: none. Council Comment: Dana Tryde asked one clarification question regarding the zoning. Joe Patterson said he supports this, made a motion to support all 3 applications. George Sullivan: 2<sup>nd</sup>. MPU.

**c. County of SLO, Public Works – Carolyn Berg – Paso Robles Basin Water District formation application information:** Carolyn Berg deferred to John Diodati. He is the project manager on bringing application to LAFCO for the AB 2453 Paso Robles Water District. They are just starting outreach, we are the first CAC they are presenting to. There was a presentation followed by extensive council questions.

## **10. Continued Business**

**a. None.**

**11. Treasurer's Report:** JoAnn Head gave the report. SMAAC has no bank account and she can't resolve that. SESLOC won't work. Savings accounts won't work because of minimum balance requirements. Joe Patterson has spoken to Jim Bergman and other chairs, and everyone in the same boat. Have requested the County to manage all the CAC accounts, but heard nothing back. Superintendent Arnold said she would have Jen Caffee follow up.

**12. Public Information Committee-** no activity. Chairman Patterson paid for 2 more years of website service. There was a lapse for a couple of days.

**13. 5<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor Arnold's report:** The Board of Supervisors reviewed the County annual report, it is available on web. As noted, the cemetery is almost full. Highway 58 crosswalk plans are being developed, Chairman Patterson can forward the design to everyone, it will be presented to SMAAC on March 4<sup>th</sup>. Regarding the RMS – Los III is very serious, something to pay attention to. Gave an update on the recent water-related programs considered by the Board and which were going forward.

**14. Chairman's Report:** Joe Patterson: Announce candidacy at next meeting. The Encina crosswalk will be discussed. Joe has reviewed the draft plan. He has a lot of concerns from an engineering perspective, everyone should review. Asked for volunteers for the RMS Subcommittee, the formed the committee as follows: Sophie Treder (Chair), Joe Patterson, Stuart Souza, JoAnn Head. Asked Sophie Treder to also approach Robert Stockel or Guy Rathbun about being on the committee, so that there would be a representative from Santa Margarita.

**15. Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned unanimously at 9:33 p.m.

a. Next meeting – March 4, 2015 at 7:00 pm