

Fish Camp Planning Advisory Council
REVISED FINAL MINUTES (*revisions in bold italics*)
9:30 a.m., Saturday, July 15, 2023

Call to Order at 9:32 a.m.

Chair Baxter

1. Roll Call

Secretary Rolfe

Members Present: Brett Archer, Greg Baxter, Jeff Cerioni, Donn Harter, William Reinhart, Margaret Rolfe and Greg Royse
Members Absent: Excused: Robert Bassett and James Christian
Accept Donn Harter's resignation due to health reasons

2. Welcome Guests

Chair Baxter

Guests introduced themselves.

3. Election of officers

Chair/Vice Chair Baxter

Greg Baxter Chair, Greg Royce Vice Chair

4. Approval of Draft Minutes

Minutes of the April 22, 2023 meeting. Royce moved approval and Archer seconded.
Motion passed.

5. Persons wishing to speak on a matter not on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of the council: None.

6. General Update

Steve Engfer

Conduct of Meetings -Brown Act and Rosenberg's Rules

Provided update on Brown Act, primer in agenda packet. Planning department required to provide to every council. We already practice this well. There are other new committees that are not knowledgeable. We should provide on an annual basis to all committee members.

Brown Act protocol are required to be followed at ANY meeting, not just meetings when there are matters for discussion. Serial meetings i.e., daisy chain, email meetings are a violation. Must be public meetings. Can propose ad hoc committee who then report to full committee which is then public. Agendas must be posted in compliance w brown act 72 hours, we do one week ahead. Agenda and meeting notice posted on line, locally at post office . They have a posting location list for all postings. If our council would like a Brown Act presentation, the County can arrange it.

7. Silvertip Project Update

Steve Engfer

Silver Tip received their approval for their encroachment permits from CalTrans. They are advancing with plan. The plan required changes due to the Tenaya cabins, but are now

ready to go. Caltrans is lead on project. Brian **Fulce** is on project team and he's present at meeting. They propose to commence work this week. The 41 has a right/left turn lane improvement as part of project. Some is on County Road, and some on the property. Grading permit approved. In June, pre construction meeting was held. Last one was prior to Covid, so updated meeting needed. YACSD, public works, caltrans, planning department, archeologist, well attended. Details for the construction plan as of June 19, 2023, from the Silvertip project representative:

July 2023 to Sept 2023: Caltrans improvements (Permit 06-21-6-CD-0274)

Sept 2023 to Oct 2023: Wetlands mitigation work, grading and culverts (subject to requirements of the Army Corp of Engineers Nationwide Permit)

Mar 2024 to Oct 2024: Site grading, installation of utility lines, road construction

Mar 2025 to Mar 2026: Phase 1 (all project improvements, except cabins) vertical construction

Mar 2026 to Mar 2027: Phase 2 (30 cabins)

Highway 41 Work: 7/17 – 9/30/23, CALTRANS Encroachment allows construction from 7:00AM to 5:00PM, no weekends. Conditions of approval 72 applicable to the project limits construction of project between 8:00AM and 7:00PM on weekdays only.

Construction can only occur during those times.

If anyone would like additional information, they can ask the Mariposa Planning Department. The County also has a webpage with a link for the Silvertip information.

<https://www.mariposacounty.org/1381/Silver-Tip-Village-Resort---Compliance>

See the page link titled "Open a table with compliance conditions and approvals. This table will be updated as conditions are met (PDF)."

8. Ex Officio Reports:

a. USFS, District Ranger

Jennifer Christie, absent

b. CAL FIRE& Engine Co. 33

Steve Ward, absent

Reinhardt: Attends the fire department meetings. Discussion had re: rotating tankers around the county. The issue is people qualified to operate the tanker. No one in volunteer dept. is qualified. On the transition of Tenaya's staffing of department, he does not have enough to discuss.

c. Sheriff's Department

**Sheriff Jeremy Briese-
Absent**

d. NPS District Ranger

Chad Andrews - absent

e. Caltrans-Hwy 41 Supervisor

Adam Wimberley

Caltrans is starting winter repairs for berms and shoulders and brush clean up from Road 222 to Fish Camp. They'll stay south of Fish Camp to not add to the traffic. Traffic seems the highest he's ever seen, especially in the early mornings. Bring your patience due to the work on the Silvertip.

Baxter: compliment for signal for road work down hill on washout.

Bill Keller: Will there be signs further down hill warning of speed and delays? Response: message boards will be required on each end for construction zone.

f. District I Supervisor

Rosemarie Smallcombe

FEMA one week left for to apply for disaster assistance for storm from February 2023. Number to call (800) 621-3362. They'll walk you through what's possible.

In previous meeting, discussed Tesla vehicles going on Mt. Raymond Road. Tesla person is looking at it. Starlake Road from White Chief. Still happening per Jim Franklin.

County held series of public meetings on short term rental study in Wawona, Yosemite Valley, Midpines, Mariposa County and in north part of County. Meetings were completed last month. There will be preliminary information available by middle of August. Will present at next Wawona advisory council meeting in August. They've gone through input phase. If there are still concerns or questions.

Shannon Hansen is listed as Director of Department of Public Works. Board approve **\$2.4 million per year. This last year, they approved an additional \$2 million (totaling \$4.4 million)** for road work for 2023/2024 fiscal year budget. Not enough but step in right direction because it costs \$6.8 million per year just to maintain status quo. Ms. Hansen is having her engineer go through all roads to identify priorities. Goal to put together condition assessment of 560 miles of county roads and bridges for priority and available to public.

g. District I Planning Commissioner

Art Bagget

Moved to head of agenda. Mr. Baget was introduced and he provided his history in the area. He's been here since 1973. Mr. Baget is an Educator, guide, contractor, 87-95 was county supervisor for Dist. 1, then law school, chaired State Water Board.

h. Department of Public Works, Director

**Shannon Hansen
Absent**

9. Fish Camp Annual meeting, Potluck

Discussion was had regarding the well attended event.

10. **Firewise Report.** Gretchen Hewlett provided update: Steve Ward made a presentation at the annual potluck. At the potluck, Ms. Hewlett had sign up sheets to engage community participation. She received 22 responses with 15 volunteers for risk assessment task force. Will be contacted to see what date works best to canvas neighborhood. Steve Ward will be there to train. Then a series of goals for 3 years is prepared and submitted for accept or reject or suggested changes. Then moving forward have a framework. Currently, entire community is included. Report back annually. Time and money goes towards our goals. National Fire Protection Association (Cal Fire assists).
11. **Future agenda items. None.**
12. **Next scheduled meetings:**
October 28, 2023
January 20, 2024
13. **Adjournment. 10:45 a.m.**