

East Region Town Hall (ERTH) District 3

Meeting Minutes of November 2, 2022 - 4:00 pm

The Moose Lodge, 15900 Moose Lodge Lane
Clearlake Oaks, CA 95423

1. Meeting Called to Order at 4:05pm
2. Board members present: Denise Loustalot, Jim Burton, Tony Morris, Pamela Kicenski, EJ Crandell, 17 guests.
3. Public Input: Win Cary-Spring Valley advised of Insurance companies cancelling fire insurance Policies for residents in Spring Valley.
Chuck Lamb-Clearlake Oaks requested the status of the Live Oak Senior Center is CLO. He Advised that it is the only senior center in Lake County that remains closed.
Judy Knell, President of the Senior Center advised that the center is close to reopening but has been experiencing setbacks due to the age of the seniors and COVID concerns.
Gary Nylander- Red & White Store advised of a problem with transients parking and blocking access to Nylander Park on Acorn & Foothill. He would like to see signage added to limit parking to 2 hours.
4. Consolidated Lighting District in Clearlake Oaks - Pam Kicenski reported that LC Special Districts Is still working with the surveyor to complete the new boundary description for the LAFCO Process.
5. Lake County Geothermal Project Watchlist- Pam Kicenski reported that Green Fire Energy, Inc. is Testing a closed loop system at Calpine Corporation's existing well at the Geysers pad adjacent To the Bear Canyon Power Plant in Middletown. Project is partially funded by a Cal Energy Commission Grant.
6. Commercial Cannabis Cultivation update- Clearlake Oaks: Permitted Grows by Lake County: Pam Kicenski provided status of applications provided by the Community Development Dept.

3 applications denied 80+ acres (Frosty Oaks, Sourz, Monte Cristo 20 acres has filed an appeal)
5 approved for 18 acres. (Akwaaba, Kaiser, Spring Valley Organics, High Valley Oaks, Lamperti Farm 1)
8 in process 72 acres (Double Golden Eagle, Lamperti Farm II, Lemon Grow, Knapp Farms, Liu Farms, High Valley Stoney Farms, Hypnotic Farms)
1 Violation, 7 acres. (Tony Cheung II)
17 total applications for Clearlake Oaks
7. Spring Valley Update - Tony Morris reported that Spring Valley hosted a huge Haunted House for Halloween that included a cake walk and pumpkin room. Because cannabis growing season is over not much is happening on illegal grows. Progress is being made on the fire break along New Long Valley Road by the Northshore Fire Protection District fuels crew. Spring Valley CSA Meeting must have a plan in by June 2023 regarding well sites. 128,000 pounds of waste was removed for the FireWise Community program.
8. Oaks Arm and Keys Restoration Projects - Ed Legan- CLO Keys POA President reported that A small piece of hydrilla was discovered in Key's channel in 2019. That discovery stopped the

Mechanical removal of invasive weeds by the County. Three years of draught prevented the Mechanical removal of weeds due to low/no water in the channels. Keys POA approved a 2 year Contract with Water Works for spraying of herbicide at a cost of \$48,000 to homeowners. The Keys POA is working with LC Water Resources/Blue Ribbon Committee and California Department of Fish & Wildlife to restore the Keys and habitat for the native fish, Hitch. Holly Harris reported that Alicia Cortes- UC Davis is working on a Hypolimnetic Oxygenation Pilot project in the CLO Oaks Arm of Clearlake to reduce algae blooms during the summer.

9. Northshore Fire Protection District Update - Chief Mike Ciancio:
NFF still has openings for 2 fire fighter/paramedics.
Fuel's Crew has been working at the Upper Lake School and East Lake School as well as Locations around the County.
Clear Lake Environmental Research Center (CLERC) is developing a fund for the Field Fuels Crew for the next 5 years (\$7.8 Mil). South Lake Fire Protection District received a \$100,000 Grant dedicated to fuels crew expense.
NSFPD signed a commitment letter for the "Trane Flashes Program" which is a closed loop Alternative energy turbine system. Currently seeking grants. Program is expected to bring in Revenue for the Fire District and provide a water source for tenders in the event of an Emergency.
Fire Chief Association has been provided a seat on the Cannabis Ordinance Task Force. In The past Fire Departments were not receiving fire mitigation fees for cannabis cultivation And processing businesses.
10. Park Updates: Pam Kicenski reported that the Board of Supervisors unanimously accepted the Donation of 620 acres of Klaus property on 11/1/22 meeting to be used as a community park. Some minor improvements are planned for Nylander and the CLO Launch parks.
Lars Ewing, LC Public Services is scheduled as the 12/7/22 EARTH Guest Speaker on Parks.
11. Supervisor Crandell's Update: The vacant District 4 position on the LC Board of Supervisors Has been filled by Michael Green.
Lake County has accepted a Golden State Connect grant in the amount of \$500,000 to be used for a study. Lake County is working with PG & E on tree mortality. Requesting that the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) address illegal cannabis grows at the State level. signs for Spring Valley and Double Eagle stating "no dumping" and "no cannabis cultivation in a Community Growth Boundary" requires permits. Supervisor Crandell is hoping to utilize the County office adjacent to Nylander Park on the day of EARTH meetings.
Angela - Double Eagle suggested that an Administrative Fine Schedule be established for Trespassing, squatting and illegal grows referencing the Campaign Against Marijuana Planting (CAMP) program through the California Attorney General.
The only recycling center currently in Lake County is at Robinson Rancheria. Supervisor Crandell to meet with Robinson representatives to discuss complaints of strict and rude Employee/s at the Recycling Center.
Residents expressed concern regarding the 150' cell tower under construction near the Moose Lodge.
12. EPA Sulphur Bank Mine Superfund Site Public Outreach: Holly Harris reported that the EPA Is planning to release a proposed clean-up plan for the Superfund Site. Public Outreach is Scheduled for Tuesday, 11/15/22 at 1-3pm and 5-7pm.
13. New Business:
14. Announcements: Tammy Alakszay with North Coast Opportunities advised of Community

Emergency Response Team trainings. She has received approval for 2 AmeriCorps Teams Comprised of 9 members each. New 5 member California Emergency Response Corps for Disaster work will receive a stipend.

Senior Summit 11/8/22, 9am-4pm at Robinson Rancheria

Risk Reduction Authority meets 3rd Monday each month at 3pm on Zoom

15. Next EARTH Meeting: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 @ Moose Lodge, 4:00pm
17. Meeting adjourned at 5:29 pm