

## **CASA CONEJO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES of January 20, 2010**

The Casa Conejo MAC held an official meeting Wednesday, January 20, 2010, 6:00 P.M.  
Walnut Elementary School, 581 Dena Dr., Newbury Park

### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by *Interim Chair Edward Villa, Jr.* at 6:08 P.M. MAC members *Jennifer Lee Clark, Clara Ann Deemer, Bobbi Ross-Neier, Megan Sandoval, Janell Smith,* and *Dustin Woomer* were also present.

### **2. Selection of Chair person and Vice Chair** (continued from November 18, 2009)

*Clara Ann Deemer* nominated as chair person *Edward Villa, Jr.* *Edward Villa, Jr.* nominated *Dustin Woomer* for this position, and he also declined the nomination of himself by MAC member Deemer. *Janell Smith* seconded the motion for *Dustin Woomer's* nomination, and the MAC voted unanimously in favor of this motion. For the position of Vice Chair, *Jennifer Lee Clark* made a motion to nominate *Bobbi Ross-Neier.* The motion was seconded by *Dustin Woomer* and it passed unanimously.

### **3. Flag salute**

*Dustin Woomer* led the flag salute.

### **4. Adoption of the Agenda**

The adoption of the agenda passed 7-0 on a motion by *Edward Villa,* seconded by *Bobbi Ross-Neier.*

### **5. Approval of the minutes of September 16, 2009 and of November 18, 2009**

The MAC approved the minutes 7-0 on a motion by *Jennifer Lee Clark* seconded by *Edward Villa.*

### **6. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks**

*Supervisor Parks* commented on the heavy rain storms that were in progress, noting that Casa Conejo was showing some of the highest rainfall totals recorded by the County, and that the CHP would be on storm duty and not in attendance at the meeting that evening. Regarding the County budget, she said that the Board of Supervisors continued discussing ways to cut spending.

### **7. Public Comments**

There were none.

### **8. Council Comments**

*Jennifer Lee Clark* suggested that future agendas could incorporate a time frame for the agenda items.

*Clara Ann Deemer* said that the ongoing CERT training classes for Casa Conejo were enlightening, and that there was a good turnout for them.

*Bobbi Ross-Neier* spoke about including teenagers in CERT training. She said that though her work in Los Angeles County she was experiencing great success with teen CERT training, and that she wished Ventura County could also do more to expand the program.

*Janell Smith* asked for suggestions on how to bring more residents to MAC meetings. Using signboards, e-mail lists, and direct mailings from the Supervisor's office were mentioned.

### **9. Information items**

*a. Reducing trash bills; holding a community clean up day; Q & A with County Public Works*  
Public Works staff member *Everett King* explained the purpose of the Community Beautification event that was being planned for Casa Conejo in the fall. He also detailed customers of Newbury Disposal could lower their trash bills by opting for smaller refuse cans or by not using a green waste can.

*b. The Neighborhood Watch Program*

*Clara Deemer* said that a community meeting was planned for the near future.

*c. Update on County and City Library Agreement*

There was no news on this topic.

*d. The Community Emergency Response Training program*

*Clara Deemer* reported that the Fire Department's series of CERT training classes for Casa Conejo had begun, and she commented that the instructor was very good.

*e. Organizing an emergency preparedness drill in Casa Conejo*

*Supervisor Parks* said that representatives from the Ojai CERT team would be on hand at a future MAC meeting to describe how they had successfully organized a community-wide emergency preparedness drill.

***f. Status report on the Borchard wetlands***

Property owners *Naseer and Sean Moradian* answered questions about the present status of the land at the eastern end of Alice Drive.

**10. Action items**

***a. Establishing MAC liaison positions***

The MAC members chose liaison assignments and areas of special focus, and this list is attached here.

**11. Suggestions for future agenda items**

Suggested topics for future items included inquiring about the City's planning for Borchard Villas, the possibility of a dog park at the end of Alice Drive, graffiti abatement, paramedic services, and street sweeping in Casa Conejo. A discussion about street sweeping followed, with residents and MAC members expressing the need for more information about scheduling, costs, ways to increase compliance with parking restrictions on street sweeping days, and generally the history of the service in Casa Conejo.

**12. Adjournment to 6:00 P.M., March 17, 2010**

*Chair Woomer* adjourned the meeting at 7:30 PM to March 17, 2010.