Keyes Municipal Advisory Council



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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

November 14, 2024 @ 7 PM
Keyes Community Services District Office
5601 7th Street
Keyes, CA

MEETING MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance- The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
- Welcome and Roll Call
 Present were Chair Garza, Member Morrow, Member Reed, Member Garcia and Vice Chair Grewal was absent.
- 3. Public Comment
 - a. Roy Winters spoke to the board regarding the attendance of our supervisor, dangerous driving, freeway noise, the desire for 24-hour sheriff patrol, the roadways and Stanislaus County becoming a sanctuary state. Member Morrow explained the letter that was received regarding sanctuary city is not from the government, it is from a private group soliciting memberships. Supervisor Chiesa and Supervisor Condit have split Keyes from the last realignment.
- 4. Approval of Minutes for July 18, 2024.

There was a motion made to approve the minutes by Member Reed and a second by member Morrow. Member Reed(M), Member Morrow(S), Chair Garza(AYE), Member Garcia(AYE), and Vice Chair Grewal(ABSENT).

- 5. Monthly Reports
 - a. Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office- Jennifer Hidalgo of the Chief Executive Office of Stanislaus County spoke on behalf of the Sheriff; they have a conflict and will not be able to attend.
 - b. Highway Patrol- Jennifer Hidalgo of the Chief Executive Office of Stanislaus County spoke on behalf of the Highway Patrol; the special enforcement unit will have 3 officers that will work the traffic complaints in all unincorporated areas. They will work on all the calls in the unincorporated areas.
 - c. Fire District- Raj Singh reported on the annual pancake breakfast, the bond measure and the calls for service received last month. He also informed the community that Operation Santa Claus will be in effect on December 9,10,11 and 12. The in-station

- hours are for the one full time employee from 9am to 5pm. With the bond measure passing the fire department is working with the Keyes Community Services District to see about getting space for the Highway Patrol and the Sheriff.
- d. Stanislaus County Public Works- Elliott from Stanislaus County Public Works reported on the road work and the continued work of lining the roads. At this time, we have the lining of the roads in the works, there is just not a date set yet.
- e. Keyes Library- Alberto of Keyes library reported on the new location that is located at 4601 Lucinda. He reported on the monthly activities.
- f. Stanislaus Regional Transit- Free rides for the month of December.
- g. Stanislaus Behavioral Health & Recovery Services- Mobile Crisis Team is available through Stanislaus County. This is a 24/7 mobile program. We respond for children and adults wherever the crisis may occur in Stanislaus County. To reach someone for the crisis team call 1-888-376-6246 Option 4. The purpose of the team is to assess the situation and see what type of help is needed for individual.
- h. Keyes Community Services District At this time there is a contractor working on Well 9 installing water filters and also on the property next to the PAL Building. This will be the centralized area of the 123 TCP Filtration. The project is schedule to be completed by December of 2025. This will eliminate the chemical 123 TCP. This chemical came to be in our water by the use of a chemical the farmers used to get rid of the nematodes that were eating their crops. After the use of this chemical for years it has seeped into our aquifers and now we are dealing with the contaminant. After all of the pumping that we have been doing the water that comes form Well 9 is non detect of 123 TCP.
 - i. Maintenance Director Mike Jones and Maintenance Supervisor Kevin Showen did some research and decided that we can put filters at Well 9 to filter our arsenic. If anytime in the future 123 TCP comes back we can put in different media in the tanks to filter out the 123 TCP. This saves money and potentially fixes 2 problems vs 1.
 - ii. General Manager Garza pointed out that for \$1.73 the district sales 748 gallons of water, this will give you 241 cases at Costco. Someone asked if the water bill was going to charge, and Mr. Garza explained that the water bill is \$34.97 a month and then you are charged for your water use. The sewer goes to Turlock.
 - iii. We just received a letter from the The City of Turlock stating that as of January 1, 2025 there is going to be a large increase to sewer rates. We pay about \$35,000 a month to Turlock, and they have stated that it is going to double, this would be \$70,000. We are going to be doing more research to see exactly how this will affect us. We are hoping that this will not have to be passes onto the community any time soon. Our next Keyes CSD Board meeting will be held on November 26, 2024, at 6:00 pm.

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- a. Staff recommendation on GPA REZ APP No. PLN2021-0052- Pattar Trucking-Presented to Planning Commission 11/21/24- Jeremy Ballard for the planning department went over the overview of this project.
 - There was a motion made to go to the planning commission by Member Reed and a second by Member Morrow. Member Reed(M), Member Morrow(S), Chair Garza, Member Garcia(NOE), and Vice Chair Grewal(ABSENT).
- 7. Action Item(s)
 - a. Approve 2025 Meeting Calendar- Approved unanimously
 - b. Recommendation on UP APP No. PLN2024-0017- La Follette Trucking- Discussed project. Public Works did not require a traffic study. Would like formal recommendation from the MAC. MAC voted unanimously to provide support letter for approval of this project.
- 8. Council Comments and Suggestions for Future Agendas
 - a. Member Garcia asked when we were going to stop with the burrito trucks. She said that years ago the MAC was able to approve the trucks, now they are like a business.
 - b. In the evening it is very dark and Member Garcia would like to know when we are going to be getting more lights on the streets.
 - c. Chair Garza mentioned that there are no signs welcoming people to our community. What do you think about Welcome to Keyes? Member Reed said that would have to go to the county and we would have to find an easement to put one.
- 9. Adjournment- There was a motion made to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 pm.

Minutes taken by Michelle Harris Minutes typed by Michelle Haris