



MEETING MINUTES

Upcountry Community Council was held at Veterans Hall, Pioneer on July 09, 2018

6:00 pm - **Call to order and Flag Salute** –Chairperson Jeff Brown

6:03 pm - **Approval of minutes** – Minutes approved and seconded

Reports

6:05 – **Amador Fire Agency** – Not present

6:10 – **ATCAA – Denise Cloward** presented a report on the homeless stats in Amador/Calaveras/Tuolumne. New Veterans housing has opened in the former Health and Wellness building (Clinton Rd) with twelve apartments. Discussion of the complex homelessness stats and situations. Annual report is being worked on to be filed for SB2 to become eligible for funding. Question and answers followed.

6:50 - **Lynn Morgan Supervisor D3** – Brief summation of Board of Supervisor special meetings of last week and the upcoming agenda for tomorrow’s Board of Supervisor meeting. Supervisor Morgan conceded and congratulated Jeff Brown, Supervisor Elect District 3.

7:10pm – **AWA - Rich Farrington**– Wild & Scenic has been put in place to protect our water rights and protect the water from going to other agencies such as Southern California. Rich recommends the video “Cadillac Desert.” AWA is fighting the new water tax bill. Still waiting for information on the Grant for the Buckhorn Ridge water... Another grant may be available through the Department of Agriculture. Financially, AWA was able to put 5% of what is required into a reserve account for the first time in years. Questions and answers followed.

7:12 pm -- **Highway 88 Safety Committee Mark Biernacki and Richard Lockwood:** Traffic safety in the Buckhorn area was conducted prior to Dollar General being built and was not conclusive. The 40 MPH is valid through 2019 and a new study is due. Richard requested the UCC to back their request for a new study.

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7:15 pm **Transportation** Report - **Gary Reinoehl**, - Social Services Technical Advisory Committee has position available for a youth representative. Amador transit is reviewing a list of annual local events that AT may be able to provide shuttle service. ACTC was awarded \$51,093 for their Low Carbon Transit Operations Program. A briefing was provided by staff on the Highway 16 relinquishment. County staff briefed the commission on the Pine Grove Highway 88 Improvement Project. (full report available on www.uccamador.org)

7:35 pm **Candace Marhefka** – Special hearing for the Dollar General Beer and Wine license is on Tuesday August 25 at 9:30am at the County offices. Ms. Marhefka is opposing the liquor license and encouraged like-minded people to join.

7:40pm **Meeting Adjourned**