



Denair Municipal Advisory Council

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MINUTES

Tuesday, February 6, 2024 @ 7 PM
Denair Unified School District, Leadership / Board Room
3460 Lester Road
Denair, CA 95316

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
 - a. James (Jim) Brugger called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Welcome and Roll Call
 - a. Members present: James (Jim) Brugger, Adam Dalton, Judy Kindle, Samuel (Sam) Paulissian
 - b. Members absent: Kimberly (Kim) Stokes
3. Public Comment
 - a. A community member requested County Public Works continue to evaluate the need for a 4-way stop at Monte Vista and Waring following a recent non-injury collision at the intersection.
 - b. A community member thanked Public Works for pumping/cleaning the drywells at Story and Zeering this fall. The drainage has been much better than last year.
 - c. A community member thanked Kimberley Stokes on behalf of Love Denair for her post on the Denair Community Forum to assist with raising funds for a trip for the seniors living in the mobile home park.
 - d. A community member raised concerns about drivers running the stop sign at East Ave. and Vincent Rd.
 - e. A community member emailed the Denair MAC requesting enhanced CHP presence in the community to help mitigate rampant speeding and running of stop signs.
 - f. A community member noted that tumbleweeds on the east side of Santa Fe were piled up and eventually removed by residents. They requested information on which agency has responsibility for maintenance and cleanup of this area.
 - g. Danielle Morgart presented a summary of 22nd District Assemblymember Juan Alanis' current committee assignments, eleven introduced bills, specifically AB1813: Senior Citizen Rental Assistance and AB1871: Financial Literacy.
 - h. Horacio Madueno from the Stanislaus County Behavioral Health Response Services (BHRS) and Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) provided an update



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that on the programs and noted the Substance and Psychological Crisis Resource support hotline (888.376.6246) is now available 24/7. Information can be found on the Stanislaus County [BHRS Website](#).

- i. A community member provided a handout regarding the perception of the Denair MAC's role in the landscaping plans for the proposed expansion of the stormwater retention basin in the Elmwood Estates subdivision project.
4. Approval of Minutes for December 5, 2023
 - a. The minutes were amended to fix a typo and a motion to approve the amended minutes was made by Judy Kindle and seconded by Sam Paulissian.
 - b. The amended minutes were unanimously approved.
 5. Monthly Reports
 - a. Stanislaus County Sheriff Department – Officer John Moss (New Community Services Officer) (<https://www.scsdonline.com>) –
 - i. There were (9) Part 2 crimes. The Quickstop was robbed and the suspect is in custody.
 - b. California Highway Patrol – Officer Arias (<https://www.chp.ca.gov/home>) –
 - i. There has been an uptick in stolen vehicles. (17) calls for service included (1) stolen license plate, reckless driving, (3) reported stolen vehicles.
 - ii. Officers need to split time among all unincorporated areas and the CHP has switched to 12-hour shifts which will allow officers to stay in an area longer.
 - iii. The Merced Dispatch Center handles calls from Stanislaus, Merced, Tuolumne and Mariposa Counties.
 - iv. The CHP can do a presentation at the mobile home park and offer free steering wheel locks for seniors.
 - c. Denair Fire Department (<https://www.denairfire.com>) - See attached reports from December 2023 and January 2024
 - d. Denair Public Library - Collen Vargas, Supervisor (<https://www.stanislauslibrary.org>)
 - i. Denair Branch hours are Monday-Thursday, 10am-6pm. They will be closed for the President's Day Holiday.
 - ii. Story Time will be on Tuesdays at 10am.
 - iii. Build It program will be on Wednesdays at 3:30pm.



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- iv. The Friends of the Denair Library group will be meeting the first Wednesday of the month at 11 AM
- v. They will be offering Lunar New Year and Valentines crafts.
- vi. Book Club is reading "When Apricots Bloom"
- e. Denair High School Leadership – Brandon Hart, student representative –
 - i. Freshman orientation is tomorrow (Wednesday, 2/7).
 - ii. The Wrestling Team is doing well and is going to the district finals.
 - iii. College Career Day will be on the 21st.
- f. Denair Unified School District (DUSD) - Dr. Terry Metzger – (<https://www.denairusd.org/>) –
 - i. The "She Became" mentorship program started in partnership with the district. Saturday (2/10) at 10am they will have a craft event at the Denair Middle School, which is open to the public for girls and women.
 - ii. The Governing Board will be hosting a Facility Walk on Sunday 2/11 at 1 PM. There will be a community meeting in March.
- g. Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors / Chief Executive Office
 - i. Supervisor Vito Chiesa introduced his new Field Representative, Brittany Harker.
 - ii. There is a need in the County for expansion of mental health facilities
 - iii. The "Potter the Otter" exhibit will be at the Salida Library through June 5, 2024.
 - iv. Supervisor Chiesa will be reading at Story Time at the Turlock Library on Thursday, Feb. 29.
 - v. Supervisor Chiesa stated that the MAC, by definition, only functions in an advisory capacity to the Board of Supervisors.
 - vi. Plans and information concerning the Elmwood Estates storm basin can be found on Planning's website. Comments and concerns sent directly to Planning (209.525.6330)
 - vii. The Denair sidewalk project is in the works and will be implemented when funding is allocated.
 - viii. Supervisor Chiesa recommended having a Care Court presentation and the Denair Fire Department attend a future MAC meeting to provide updates.



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- h. Stanislaus County Public Works - Not present
<https://www.stancounty.com/publicworks/>

- 6. Information Item(s) –
 - a. Update on Elmwood Estates Landscape Plan
 - i. Maintenance of the basin will fall under the County Parks and Recreation Department and not Public Works.
 - ii. Jim provided Planning with suggestions for native plant alternatives and echoed the concerns from Parks and Recreation regarding access to the bottom of the basin for maintenance.
 - iii. Planning is still looking at options and the plan has not yet been finalized. Comments can still be submitted to Planning.
 - iv. The residents expressed their strong desire for a dual-use basin.
 - b. Nomination and election of Denair MAC Officers
 - i. Chair
 - 1. Sam nominated Adam. No second. Failed nomination.
 - 2. Adam nominated James. Second by Judy. Unanimous approval.
 - a. James will be Chair for 2024.
 - ii. Vice-chair:
 - 1. James nominated Sam. Second by Judy. Unanimous approval.
 - a. Sam will be Vice-chair for 2024.
 - iii. Secretary:
 - 1. James nominated Adam. Second by Sam. Unanimous approval.
 - a. Adam will be Secretary for 2024.

- 7. Action Item(s) - none

- 8. Correspondence - none

- 9. Council Comments and Suggestions for Future Agendas
 - a. Judy:
 - i. Love Denair Meetings will be the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm at the Denair Gaslight Theater
 - b. Sam:
 - i. Thanked the community for supporting the Lions Surf-N-Turf Fundraiser
 - ii. The Lions Crab Feed will be on March 1.



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- c. Adam: No comments
 - d. Jim:
 - i. Thanked everyone for coming out and being engaged.
10. Adjournment
- a. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM