



Denair Municipal Advisory Council

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MINUTES

Tuesday, April 7, 2026 @ 7 PM
Denair Unified School District, Leadership / Board Room
3460 Lester Road
Denair, CA 95316

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at: 7:01 PM
Pledge of Allegiance led by Chair.

2. Welcome and Roll Call

- James Brugger, Chair
 - Judy Kindle, Vice-Chair
 - Samuel Paulissian, Member
 - Jason De Muro, Secretary
 - Adam Dalton, Member
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3. Public Comment

Name: Helen

Comment: Wants a four-way stop at intersection at Monte Vista and Waring

- Concerned about safety with new developments.
- Read a correspondence from a traffic enforcement agency, which stated that a recent traffic survey does not warrant a stop sign, but they are recommending a speed limit reduction on Monte Vista, and a roundabout at the intersection.

Name: Kathi Dunham-Filson

Comment: Expressed safety concerns

- Concerned about safety of sidewalk along Monte Vista in front of new real estate development
- The sidewalk floods which will affect the intended purpose of the sidewalk, preventing kids and family from walking on the sidewalk forcing them to walk on the street.

Name: Vince

Comment: Expressed concern over flooding on Fresno Ave. when it rained.



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4. Approval of Minutes from March 3, 2026

Members	mtn	aye	nay	abstain
James Brugger				√
Samuel Paulissian	1			√
Jason De Muro				√
Adam Dalton				√
Judy Kindle	2			√

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Monthly Reports

a. Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office

Attendant: Absent

Notes: Jennifer Hidalgo said she would pass any comments along to the Sheriff Department.

- Judy asked that Jennifer pass along community gratitude for increased presence in the community.

b. California Highway Patrol

Attendant: Absent

Notes: Jennifer Hidalgo provided the following notes on their behalf:

- 3 calls for reckless driving.
- 1 call for a vehicle doing donuts in a residential area.
- 1 for a potential DUI.
- 1 for an illegal U-turn during drop off at school.
- 2 non-injury traffic crashes.

c. Denair Fire Department

Attendant: Absent

- See the attached flyer
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d. Denair Public Library

Attendant: absent

e. Denair High School Leadership

Attendant: absent

f. Denair Unified School District (DUSD)

Attendant: Dr. Terry Metzger

- Road work at DECA should be wrapped up by Friday.
 - May 6th with Love Denair, DUSD is hosting a community open house.
 - Sam let the community know that Mckinley Binkley from DUSD has progressed to the next round of the Lions Club Speech competition.
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g. Assemblymember Juan Alanis, 22nd District

Attendant: Danielle Morgart

Assemblymembers just returned from spring recess; Assemblymember Alanis had two bills advance to the assembly floor for a vote today:

- AB 2004 advances to the assembly floor today and would authorize Fresno and San Joaquine counties to designate correctional deputy sheriffs as peace officers, aligning them with 39 other counties where officers performing the same duties already receive that designation
 - AB 1765 was approved by the Assembly Transportation committee today and will increase the weight threshold for commercial motor vehicles eligible for a Disabled Veteran fee exemption from 8,000 pounds to 10,000 pounds. This change will allow qualifying disabled veterans and decorated service members to register heavier-duty vehicles under the program.
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h. Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors / Chief Executive Office

Supervisor Chiesa introduced Kiana Garcia who will be his new representative at Denair MAC Meetings. Supervisor Chiesa also provided the following notes:

- Regarding the Mone Vista/Waring roundabout - Factors considered in the study included speed, number of accidents, and traffic volume.
- The Sheriff's Office could not attend due to providing coverage for the ICE shooting in Patterson
- The Sheriff's Office also made a big marijuana bust



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- CAD (computer aided dispatch) software is being updated for emergency services. Different systems are being integrated to provide better resource and interagency communications that will be funneled through 911.
- The county is preparing to send notices and putting liens on properties that have bush and overgrowth that restrict visibility on roadways.
- Budget talks are about to begin.
- H.R.-1 (AKA: The Big, Beautiful Bill Act) cuts to Medicare may lead to increases in County healthcare budget. The county will now need to pick up care for people losing coverage, which will affect the county's budget.
 - There is a small influx in money for behavioral health and care funds. The funds are loosely restricted.
 - Mental Health Services Act funds are being restricted.
 - Claim reimbursement will lead to an increase in treatment teams.

i. Stanislaus County Public Works

Attendant: absent

j. Stanislaus County Mobile Crisis Response Team

Attendant: absent

Team responds countywide; Denair receives limited calls.

Access via:

- 1-888-376-6246 (Option 4)

- 911 dispatch (if safety risk present)

6. Information Item(s)

None.

7. Action Item(s)

None.

8. Correspondence

None.



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9. Council Comments and Suggestions for Future Agendas

Samuel Paulissian:

- Thanked the Lions Club for their numerous community contributions (see attached summary list).

Judy Kindle:

- Denair clean-up day on April 25th
 - Take trash to Turlock Transfer.
 - No hazardous waste and materials.
 - Take a utility bill so they know you are from Denair.
- Clean up day at Country Squire mobile home park on May 6th. They look forward to working with the school on their community wide open house.
 - Coffee, donuts, and lunch will be provided.
 - They need volunteers.

Adam Dalton:

- Denair community wide yard sale on May 2nd. More info is available on Denair Community Forum on Facebook.

Jason De Muro:

- Thanked the Lions Club for the recent Easter Egg hunt. It is a community tradition the Lions Club has hosted for over 45 years.

James Brugger:

- Asked who had watched the Artemis II launch and commented on the historic significance of the event.
- Thanked everyone for coming out.

10. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

**DENAIR FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MARCH, 2026**

	MAR		YTD	
EMS	20	55.56%	259	55.11%
Fire\CO alarm	0	0.00%	28	5.96%
Gas Leak	0	0.00%	4	0.85%
Grass fire	0	0.00%	9	1.91%
Hazmat	0	0.00%	1	0.21%
Illegal burn	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Injury traffic col	3	8.33%	22	4.68%
Mutual aid	4	11.11%	70	14.89%
Non-Injury TC	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Other	0	0.00%	6	1.28%
Other fire	1	2.78%	8	1.70%
Public assist	3	8.33%	34	7.23%
Rescue	0	0.00%	3	0.64%
Smoke check	1	2.78%	4	0.85%
Station standby	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Structure	3	8.33%	13	2.77%
Trash	1	2.78%	2	0.43%
Vehicle fire	0	0.00%	4	0.85%
Wires down	0	0.00%	3	0.64%
No. of calls	36	100.00%	470	100.00%

Major Fundraisers

- **Surf & Turf Dinner:** The 2026 event was highly successful, selling approximately 250 tickets. Funds raised go toward Scholarships.
- **Pancake Breakfasts:** The club hosts breakfast events to support community members experiencing medical hardships.
- **Second Amendment Dinner:** An annual August fundraiser featuring a steak dinner, live auctions for items like custom-engraved firearms and gun safes, and raffles.
- **Nashlight (Nashlite) Fundraiser:** A sold-out music and dinner event historically held in July, whose proceeds support the restoration of the historic Denair Gaslight Theater.
- **Duane Larson Memorial Golf Tournament:** This tournament raises thousands of dollars for local causes, such as the school's "Giving Closet" program and residents with medical needs.
- **Crab Feed:** A popular guys-only dinner event held in early March.

Community Service & Holiday Events

- **Holiday Food Baskets:** In November and December, the club assembles and delivers roughly 90 food baskets per holiday to local families, veterans, and trailer park residents.
- **Flag Placement Program:** The club places flags around Denair for major holidays, including Veterans Day, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Presidents Day, Memorial Day, and Flag Day.
- **Christmas Activities:** The Lions decorate and light the Triangle and Gaslight Christmas Tree, set up community Christmas lights, and participate with a float in the Turlock Christmas Parade.
- **Easter Egg Hunt:** The club organizes a massive hunt at the Denair School featuring 3,000 plastic eggs, including special golden and silver eggs for cash and basket prizes.
- **Farm & Family Festival:** The Lions partner with local organizers to run a beer garden and BBQ, providing manpower, canopies, and logistics.

Youth & Educational Support

- **4-H and FFA Support:** The club assists local agriculture students by cooking tri-tip and beans for their drive-thru fundraisers and by making direct financial donations to help cover the costs of their livestock projects. In the last year the club has sponsored 21 4-H and FFA students.
- **Student Speech Contest:** The club hosts an annual contest for high school students covering topics like AI and youth mental health.
- **Massive Financial Donations:** The club heavily funds local youth programs, including a \$20,000 allocation for a school athletic field irrigation project, \$15,000 for Denair Youth Football stadium sound and lighting, \$6,000 to help start "The Den" youth wrestling club, and thousands of dollars to support Middle School's 6th Grade Camp.

Community Betterment

- **The Denair Triangle Project:** Members conduct regular cleanups, weed pulling, and landscaping at the Denair Triangle. Recent additions include laying gravel, updating nonprofit signage, and adding a decorative boat display.
- **Love Denair:** Members donate their time and pickup trucks to haul items and clean up the community during this annual April event.
- **Vision Assistance:** The club allocates funds to provide free eye exams and glasses for local students and seniors in need. *1500 pair of glasses*

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