

**Beaver Creek Regional Council
Minutes of Meeting
6:00 p.m., September 1, 2010, MRFD Hall**

Council attendees: Kala Pearson, Kayo Parsons-Korn, Maggie Holt, Sharon Brooks, RoseMary Barnes, Steve Sprinz, Irene Klein. Absent: Jim Bowser, Tom Hawbaker, Patti Sexton

Committee Chair attendees: Nancy Rowland, Janet Aniol, Jo Burke, Bob Burke.

Guest speakers attending: Dwight D'Evelyn and Wendy Parkison of YCSO.

President Kala Pearson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked Council members to introduce themselves.

It was duly moved, seconded, and approved to waive the reading of the minutes and accept them as distributed.

Treasurer's report was not available in the absence of the treasurer.

Kala introduced the guest speakers, Dwight D'Evelyn in Crime Prevention and Detective Wendy Parkison, both of YCSO, indicating they would address the subject of sex offenders living in the Beaver Creek area.

Dwight reported that Wendy deals with sex offenders daily while he deals with information. He discussed a local arrest and the arrest of a Cottonwood pastor, stressing the importance of being aware of happenings in our neighborhoods. He mentioned that San Diego has poor information dissemination that resulted in the murder of 2 girls recently. In Yavapai County sex offenders' moves generate media releases, which can make it appear that we have more sex offenders than we really do. Email alerts are disseminated through Block Watch lists to residents, and this area has a wide distribution through their BW captains. There are approximately 400 sex offenders in Yavapai County, and YCSO is interested in phone calls re sex offender activity. Residents can watch without harassing them, and this cuts down the likelihood of further offense. He stressed talking with kids without giving individual specifics, noting the importance of age appropriate discussion. "Stay proactive and in the loop."

Wendy noted that she works alone handling sex offenders in YavCo, indicating that they come through the Department of Corrections and from other counties and states. Sex offenders new to YavCo must fill out a registration form with requirements to follow--not following them is a felony. they have 72 hours to report a change of address, including moving out of state, and must carry identification or driver's license. They can effect this registration online with YCSO or go to a YCSO substation. They may not live within 1000 ft of a day care facility or school, and registration is for life except for those under 18 for whom registration is until age 25 unless there is another offense. There are 10 or 11 female offenders in YavCo. Risk levels include registration only, low risk level 1, medium risk level 2, and high risk level 3. Levels 2 and 3 are the ones about whom notification is given. Factors entering into determination of risk level include the offense itself, drug use, repeat offenses, etc. A member of the public mentioned Halloween, Christmas, and Easter as being times that require a higher alert by the public. Wendy again stressed the need for constant watching. Probation has a say in where offenders

live, but no notification is required to be sent to neighborhoods from which they move. LMPOA webmaster Steve Sprinz noted that the LMPOA website (www.LakeMontezuma.us) has a section devoted to sex offenders. Information is also available through a sex offender link on the YCSO website (www.ycsoaz.gov) where residents can register their addresses to receive notification. Dwight can be reached at 639-8100 ext 7441--or one can simply ask for the Sheriff's Office. Dwight's email address is dwight.develyn@co.yavapai.az.us.

President's Report:

- Kala announced that Supervisor Chip Davis's next community meeting in this area will be held on Oct 26 at 6 pm, quite likely at BCAC, and will include Verl Cook, Steve Mauk, and Heather Provencio.
- Regarding a School and Business Representative to the Council, Kala read a proposed letter requesting that they join the council. It was suggested the wording be modified to be less confusing in that the letter seems to imply that all schools could have a member on the council. Karin Ward suggested all schools join Youth and Families. Kala suggested meeting with the schools, remarking that the Aspen Group that owns Copper Canyon Academy is interested and stating that BCRC can draft a letter to educational entities and coalesce with Youth and Families at their 10:30 meeting time and after for an educational meeting.
- Joe Burke commented that Yavapai College Foundation represents Yavapai College and that the community can support/sponsor a nursing student. She also reported on the Oct 28 wine-making program, openings on the Foundation Board with a plan to have 1 member from the Beaver Creek area and the possibility that BCRC join the Foundation Board as a group, stating that they would be happy to speak to BCRC.
- Kala reported that the Organization Structure and Review Committee is looking at the structure of membership of BCRC and will start an email chain re recruitment for committees and structure of the council. This discussion began at last year's council retreat, and it's time to revisit the subject.

Committee Reports

Vision 2020: Bob reported that the project is on tract and that the plan is to present it to the community in October. Tammy is moving well on formatting. The committee is still working on substantive issues. It was suggested that the presentation to the community be piggybacked with Supervisor Davis's community meeting on Oct 26. Another suggestion put forth was to meet at BC School on Nov 13, which is only 2 days from the date the first community meeting was held.

P&Z:

- P&Z Ordinance Amendment - Sharon reported there are no action items; however, a hearing application will be presented to the Board of Supervisors at both September meetings for the purpose of considering striking language concerning 20% of property owners objecting to a proposed zoning change and property owners being within 300 ft when calculating owners by number or area. Sharon was asked to contact Elise Link to find out what precipitated the proposed change.

- Potential Wilderness Area - Kayo reported that Strawberry Crater is near Sunset Crater, Davis is near Fossil Springs, and Walker Mountain is near us. She said for Forest Service is concerned with protecting archeological assets and is willing to have someone speak to BCRC. Janet stated that she prefers a compromise to the designation of wilderness since changing from wilderness will take another Act of Congress. She feels it is better to educate people re appropriate use and said MRM Trails Coalition could help by making good trails. Friends of the Well is for wilderness. Kala said there is a new person at Coconino NF who is willing to talk and cooperate. It was proposed that MRM Trails and BCRC try to develop a better relationship with the Forest Service with meetings in early November to discuss issues.
- Villas at Beaver Creek - Kala reported that the BOS did not reverse the zoning or abandon the final plat but required that assurance and 9 stipulations be completed in 6 months.

Water: Pam was not in attendance.

Transportation:

- TI 293 - Janet suggested emailing thank-yous re TI 293, mentioning that it is not totally complete; sign improvements are needed along with lining. The temporary asphalt plant will be done in 2 months.
- State's Long-Range Transportation Plan - Comments can be made online or in other ways.
- Crosswalks on Montezuma Ave are done; it might take a couple of weeks to complete signage.
- MRM Trails - Bella Donna has put in 80 hours in the Coconino NF to gather data gathering information to better plan trails and trailheads.

Youth & Families:

- Karin Ward introduced Margot Price from Delaware, the new VISTA replacing Annika Head. She also remarked on the numbers of students in Head Start, Daycare, and After Shock.
- There is a late bus at 4:30 pm.
- Looking for a substantial grant to come through.
- Re First Things First, a yes vote will divert funds to the General Fund while a no vote will keep funds with the children.
- BC School will start parenting classes, Love and Logic, for the Verde Valley.
- Re food distribution, funding for meat ran out--Kiwanis has been asked to help.
- Re new building a meeting is scheduled with YavCo next week; hoping to have contractor in November.

Kala pointed out a statistical document she had distributed to council members on Eastern Communities of YavCo.

Public Relations:

- Jo discussed the upcoming Wellness Walk.
- Newsletter update memo was distributed and discussed.
- **It was duly moved, seconded, and approved with Steve opposing to go forward with the newsletter to see how to format, what circulation will be, what costs will be, and how to get businesses to advertise.**

- Banners (2) will cost \$60 ea and could be used for inside events.
- **It was duly moved, seconded, and approved to accept banner #2 with changes discussed.**

Legacy:

Title of the Legacy Project is Echoes from the Verde Confluence. Nancy passed along the comment that the committee is appreciative of the community support. She also reported that BC School will be helping.

New Business:

Upcoming meetings and events were mentioned:

- Incorporation study group, Lorin Adams chairing, 274-4518 for info or to join group.
- Kiwanis spaghetti dinner, Sep 24.
- BCAC rummage sale, Oct 1-2.
- Key Club, Oct 2.

Steve requested consideration for putting call for public comment on agenda prior to committee reports.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Margaret A. Holt, Secretary