

Minutes of the Palomar Mountain Planning Organization Meeting August 1, 1998

Board Members Present:

Debbie Bauer, Russ Day, Donna Dose, Elizabeth Getzoff (alternate), Bruce Graves, Jack Norvall, Michael Pique, Robert Sterner, John Tainer, Joseph Weeks.

The PMPO Board meeting was convened 10:20 A.M. August 1, 1998.

The minutes of the May 23, 1998, meetings were distributed and approved.

The treasurer, Debbie Bauer, reported our current assets as \$10,153 in bank account and \$5,000 on retainer to Hatch & Parent attorneys. Expenses since May 1998 have been about \$380. Income since May 1998 has been about \$4200 in donations, resulting from the newsletter solicitation. The secretary and chair will send thank-you letters to contributors.

OLD BUSINESS:

Cedar Creek Water Project

Jerry McLees in June-July said Mr. Yale was asking questions at the Ruffin Road county permit department. No other activity was known. Mr. McLees has left Mooney & Associates and is with another consulting organization. The board decided to continue with Mooney & Associates as our consultants on environmental and planning issues.

Dual Government Survey Problem

Jack Norvall in keeping in close touch with David James, Chair of the Forest Preservation Society of Southern California. They are meeting August 13 in Sacramento, along with Bureau of Land Management (BLM) officials, cadastral surveyors, and attorney Reedan. Jack Norvall is to make a presentation there supporting the PMPO's request that the entire section be surveyed to the original Ward 1894 survey, as recorded in numerous early assessors maps and as corresponding to long-established lines of occupation.

NEW BUSINESS:

Off-Highway Vehicle Routes

Several off-highway vehicle ("green sticker") routes have been proposed for the Palomar area, including Nate Harrison grade and a route northeast of the Observatory. Bruce Graves, Debbie Bauer, and Karl Bauer attended a meeting in Vista to discuss the proposals. Bruce Grave distributed letters of concern written by the Pala/Pauma sponsor group. The board voted to oppose the proposed Palomar/Pauma Valley green sticker routes. Bruce Graves will send a letter to Jeff Bosvay, Public Works Program Coordinator of San Diego County.

Rural Heritage Initiative

Russ Day said that the "Rural Heritage Initiative" on the ballot in November circumvents local planning groups in planning for their own areas. Russ is to send a summary to board members to consider whether the board should take a position on the issue.

Next Meetings:

The next scheduled board meetings are November 14, 1998, February 20, 1999, and April 10, 1999. It was noted that Easter is April 4, 1999.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Michael E. Pique, Secretary.