JAMUL DULZURA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP FINAL MINUTES

Tuesday, January 14, 2014 Approved, January 28. 2014 Oak Grove Middle School Library 7:30 pm

- 1. Call to Order: Jean Strouf called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
- 2. Roll Call: Jean Strouf, Elizabeth Kelly, Janet Mulder, Michael Casinelli, Judy Bohlen, Steve Wragg, Bill Herde, Dan Neirinckx, Randy White, George Novinger Ray Deitchman, Preston Brown Earl Katzer and Joan Kouns.

Excused: Dan Kjonegaard

Absent:

- **3.** Motion to approve the Agenda, January 14, 2014, as posted 72 hours before the meeting and the minutes of December 10, 2013. **Motion carried**: Unanimously
- 4. Open Forum: Opportunity for members of the public to speak on any item not on the agenda (time limit 3 minutes)
 - a. Jean Strouf announced that Dan Kjonegaard is submitting his resignation from seat 12, effectively immediately, due to conflicting schedules. Jean reminded us that we have to send in a form announcing the resignation and vacancy. Janet will send in a notice to The Jamul Shopper announcing the vacancy and they can get forms online or email Jean Strouf at jsjamul@gmail.com to get the
 - b. Michael Casinelli reported that he is concerned that there are empty liquor bottles on the gas pumps at the Arco and it appears that anyone could have a drink before they got back on the road. Dan Neirinckx will alert the sheriff as to the problem and report back.
 - c. Judy Bohlen will not be at the next meeting.
- 5. Caltrans Vacating their right of way at via Mercado Dan Neirinckx reminded us that Caltrans has stated that they were looking to selling their right of way around Via Mercado. After several calls, he discovered that they are looking to make a trade giving up some of their property around SR94 to receive "credits" possibly for future mitigation land. He recommended that we invite Caltrans to come to our Planning Group and give us an update on SR94. Jean appointed Dan to contact Caltrans inviting them to come and give us an update. Dan will alert the Highway 94 Club as to the date to which they are invited.
- 6. BICYCLE SUBCOMMITTEE Bill Herde spoke to Chris Kluth of Transnet (part of SANDAG) and offered to work with Bill in his efforts to increase bicycle safety in our community. Preston Brown introduced Carrie Panek who organizes GranFondo tours and is here to help us understand any concerns of this very large bike event. She pointed out that many sections of the roads in Jamul could be improved to increase safety for cyclists. She would suggest going to Caltrans with specific requests to increase the safety of our roads. The County told her there would be changes to Proctor Valley Road. Michael Casinelli asked if there had been any accidents on our road during GranFondo. Carrie said, "Cyclists and drivers alike have reported close calls with cyclists on the roads in Jamul." Bill

Herde suggested we needed to have input from the bicyclists and that the funding for the original bicycle plans would not be used for us or any other new area. Instead we need to look for additional funding. Carrie will take photographs of the dangerous areas on the routes for us. Since Carrie has a lot of contacts in the San Diego cycling community, she will reach out to the cyclists asking them to take pictures of sections of roads in Jamul that they feel are dangerous. Randy White asked how many cyclists are in the GranFondo? Carrie stated that they had 800 last year. Randy asked what are the controls that occur and Carrie pointed out that these cyclists are spread out and it is for fun, not a race. There was only one accident last year. Carrie pointed out that Caltrans gives them a permit every year and requires them to have a special permit to turn left from Otay Lakes Road onto Campo Road. If the casino goes in, County has told them they would need to have more traffic control or not do the event. Ray Deitchman asked how would the new law requiring 3 foot between cars and bicycles impact the bicyclists, and Carrie stated they were concerned. She also commented that the "Fiesta Century" and "Cycle Eastlake" also use these roads.

- 7. SR94 Scenic Designation Information Preston Brown did some research after Jean received an email from Joe Broadhead who works for a consulting firm and was doing some work for Caltrans asking if our JDCPG had ever designated SR 94 as a Scenic Highway. Preston announced that Caltrans own Streets and Highways Code Section 263.5 states that SR94 is designated as a Scenic Highway in our Jamul Dulzura Community It states: Route 94 from Route 125 near Spring Valley to Route 8 west of Jacumba (designated as Scenic Highway) In our Jamul Dulzura Community Plan, established in 1978, and re-enforced it in 2011 when Board of Supervisors approved the latest adopted Jamul Dulzura Community Plan the scenic highway designation was established and it was a part of the current Chapter 6 Policy 1 as was in the original community plan and is still in existence today.
- 8. Nomination of JDCPG Officers for 2014 Jean Strouf announced that due to the increased medical requirements of her job, she has much more responsibility and a greater number of customers and would like to resign as Chair even though it has been customary for a chair to serve two years in a row. She discussed this with Dan Neirinckx and moved that we unanimously accept her nominations of Dan Neirinckx as Chair, Bill Herde, as Vice Chair and Janet Mulder as Secretary and elect them for the 2014 year. Motion carried unanimously. Congratulations or condolences to those so honored!
- 9. Jamul Indian Village Update: Michael Casinelli said that KPBS Radio and TV station has asked Michael Casinelli and Janet Mulder to represent the JDCPG and the community in a dialogue with representatives from the Jamul Indian Village. Jean Strouf received a call asking for an interview reacting to the JIV announcement of the Casino and suggested that the reporter, Megan Burke, come to the JDCPG meeting tonight. She chose not to do so and asked for an interview to be set up. Randy White pointed out that we needed to inform KPBS of the Feb. 5 community meeting regarding the casino and encourage their attendance. Bill Herde asked if the interview could be a set-up - would it be a "he said, she said" and emphasized the importance of having facts in writing. Randy White pointed out that the chair should be our spokesperson. Question was should we not allow an interview – and it was suggested that we tell them to be at the Feb. 5 meeting of the Jamul community at the Jamul Primary School at 7:00 p.m. to get the information. **Bill Herde** points out however, that it is important to get the word out and get our information on the public record. George Novinger said that we want to maintain our transparency and it is possible to get good publicity from an interview. The chair, or his designated representative, will contact the reporter, Megan Burke, and advise her of our availability for interview after the Feb. 5 meeting.

10. JDCPG OFFICER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

- a. Jean Strouf will write Dan Kjonegaard a letter thanking him for his many years of service.
- b. Jean Strouf announced that there is a Celebration of Life Service for Eric Grant who was an active member of Jamul Kiwanis at their ranch in Lyons Valley on Sunday, and people are invited to attend and speak about their experiences with this fine man.
- c. Jean Strouf announced that the Planning Group Annual Training and Ethics Training are online and we need to do the training every year for Annual Training and every two years for Ethics.
- d. George Novinger announced that the County's meeting regarding a draft change to the Tiered Wine Ordinance would be held Friday, Nov. 17 at 10 a.m. He will attend and perhaps Dan Neirinckx as well.
- e. Dianne Jacob is giving her State of the County Speech on Wednesday, January 29 at 11:00 at County Operations Building, Overland Drive. All are invited to RSVP and attend.

ADJOURNMENT: Dan Neirinckx, new chair, adjourned the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Janet Mulder, Secretary

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

7:30 P.M. TUESDAY, January 28, 2014 OAK GROVE MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY