

BCRC - President's Report – February 2009

Meeting with Chip Davis – Minutes Attached.

The unincorporated areas of the Verde Valley association presidents held their meeting with Supervisor Davis.

Yavapai County Budget info:

\$4 million was cut from the ½ cent sales tax revenue. As a result, the County has reworked the 5 year road improvement plan. Cut out of the plan for our area is the following projects:

Eagles Roost

Coyote Canyon

Antiqua Way

Beaver Vista

A percentage of the ½ cent sales tax has been reallocated to the general fund. If additional funds (economic recovery) become available in this fiscal year, these projects may be added back or the 5 year road improvement plan may be revised again.

Each County department has been asked to cut 7 ½% from their operating budget. The County is trying to avoid staff layoffs through budget cuts and attrition. There is currently a 16% attrition rate. They will not be filling any vacant position.

Development Services has been cut back by 25%. This is mainly due to the decrease in permitting and construction.

Ross Clemens is the new MIS and GIS contact at the County.

Stimulus Funds:

- The County expects that there will be an energy stimulus package available for the County.
- Chip will arrange a meeting with Kirkpatrick or her local staff and the associations to discuss Verde Valley economic stimulus criteria. Other associations will work on their wish list.
- Fort Verde is on the list of State Park closures

FS119

There is a limited amount of involvement the Chip can have regarding a resolution for protecting against development along FS119. It was recommended that we work with Heather Provencio to see what can be done on this front. Big Park is working on a Scenic Road designation for SR179. They invited Beaver Creek to work with them for the same designation along FS119, as this may offer the protection against development. Kala will be following up on this.

Community Clean-up

The County will start the ball rolling on the CC-U.

- Paul Sween 928-713-2430 is the county point person.
- He visited the site and noted that it needs brush clearance. This requires permission from the property owner. He also wanted to know the exact location – which side of the street or both sides?
- Paul wants to set up a meeting with Co. staff and the BC CC-U coordinator/volunteers for next week to go over logistics.
- Preferred dates for the CC-U is Saturday April 11th or 25th – 4/11 is Easter weekend so the 25th may be better
- Big Park and Cornville inquired if they could participate in the electronic clean-up. They will await response.
- The County would like the name of the electronics recyclers so they may work with them as well.

The Cottonwood Community Center grand opening is Feb. 10th at 3:00. BCRC is invited to attend. BC residents are welcome to use.

Mark Mumalu 821-1225 from Big Park may be available to speak or consult with BCRC on the Open Space issue.

Unincorporated areas - Community Association President meeting - February 3, 2009

The Unincorporated area Presidents and Supervisor Chip Davis met on February 3, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. to discuss various issues around the Verde Valley and to update each other on community events.

Attending: Deanna King, Cornville Community Association; Dorothy O'Brien, Big Park Regional Coordinating Council; Jim Book, Bridgeport Community Association; Kala Pearson, Beaver Creek Regional Council; Supervisor Chip Davis & Chris Moran, Yavapai County Government

Action Items:

Intergovernmental meetings:

Chip advised the group if they had items they wanted to be considered for agenda's that they need to send to his staff for consideration.

Beaver Creek Community Cleanup:

Chip and staff will move forward with coordinating with the community. Chris meeting with the County Solid Waste Supervisor to talk about dates, area to hold cleanup and how he would like to move forward with the event. **Note:** Kala said the community planned an electronics' cleanup from March 20 – April 3rd and would consider combining with regular cleanup. They are using the same area recommended to the County for the community cleanup. Also talked about letting other

communities know about the cleanup to see if they could participate – Kala said she would check with the Council and let us know.

Meeting with Congresswoman Kirkpatrick:

Supervisor Davis' staff (**DeShannan**) will schedule a meeting with Congresswoman Kirkpatrick, Community Association Presidents and Supervisor Davis to meet to discuss economic issues. The meeting will be held in Chip's office.

Superior Court Celebration:

Notify the community associations when we get a date and time to hold a ribbon cutting for the Camp Verde Superior Courts.

Big Park Regional Coordinating Council & Beaver Creek Regional Council:

Chip wants to attend a couple of their meetings on an informal basis. **DeShannan** will select a couple dates and add to his calendar.

Other items that were discussed with no action:

- Announced the February 10th ground breaking ceremony for the Cottonwood Recreation Center. Chip said that everyone will be able to use the facility – unincorporated and incorporated folks.
- SR 260 improvements
- Stimulus package and the “what if’s” it could involve
- Cottonwood annexation
- New County concept mentioned; 5 Supervisors and process to achieve; timeline to start working on; and politics that may be involved
- County budget and steps taken to balance; Chip explained the sales tax re-distribution and how it could relate to community road projects and other programs;
- Verde Valley Regional Transportation Study
- SR 179 parade – Dorothy will keep us posted
- Chip named new directors with the County (Chad and Ross); Dave Hunt may be retiring soon (Board Attorney)
- Kala asked about grant proposals & if they could be cycled through the County. Chip said each would need to be reviewed individually to determine if the County would support.

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