

PALOMAR MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY SAFETY CENTER ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING

May 5, 2006

The Palomar Mountain Community Safety Center Action Committee meeting was held at the Palomar Mountain Lodge on Friday, May 5, 2006 and was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman, Tom Burton. Present were Action Committee Members: Tom Burton, Robert Carlyle, Bonnie Phelps, Scott Kardel and Linda Thorne. Also present were consultants to the Committee, Earl Walls and Bruce Graves, and members of the public, Alice Surrey, Rob Hawk, Louise Walls and Dale Norton.

DEFREEZE, AGENDA AND PRIOR MINUTES

After a defreeze, approval of the minutes of the April 21, 2006 meeting as presented and negotiation of an agenda, the meeting proceeded as follows:

DESIGN ISSUES

HVAC

Earl reported that per Chief George, the HVAC issue had been decided to include it in our planning. It has also been included in the current price estimate of \$1.7 million for the entire facility.

Earl indicated he is not aware of any other design issues outstanding.

IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX

The Chairman indicated that he'd talked with consultant, Jerry McLees, last week about the fire station permit and major use permit issues. Jerry confirmed that the original, existing fire station was built without a community center designation. This was pursuant to special rules to encourage and facilitate the construction of volunteer fire departments in the back country where no regular fire service is available. At the time of obtaining the permit to build the present fire station, alternate uses were discussed with the County planners. They indicated that occasional community uses of the facility would not trigger a major use permit. However, the type uses currently envisioned for the CSC building would require a major use permit.

Tom and Jerry then discussed the two-phase process of obtaining the major use permit as discussed several meetings past.

Phase One would consist of obtaining the entitlement under an MUP to use the existing house for community purposes. Later, when vested under that, and when funding is available, the Phase Two ultimate facility would be constructed.

The implementation matrix, as revised by Rob Hawk, has been copied to Jerry. Jerry and Tom will be discussing that before the next meeting. Tom will offer a report at that time as to any modifications Jerry would suggest to the implementation matrix.

Finally, Jerry suggested that it would be valuable to the entire process to have a pre-application meeting with County officials prior to filing for the major use permit. Jerry suggested that at that meeting, our building design consultant, Earl Walls, Bruce Graves, Tom Burton and Chief George, if available, all join them. Jerry explained that we pay for those meetings on an hourly basis based on County's staff people attending, but that it would be well worth it for us. We get to choose which of the particular staff people we wish to have present.

This meeting is best held when we have a draft of our major use permit application together.

DRAWING ISSUES

Scott reported that he had not been able to connect up with Ann concerning the copies as mentioned at the prior meeting. Further report will be had once he and Ann have connected.

WEBSITE

Scott and Bonnie were both recognized with gratitude for their efforts in getting the Community Safety Center website live. Ann's drawing is on the website using the only digital copy we currently have. Scott will replace it once we have the high quality scanned version of the image.

Briefly discussed was the idea of counting the number of hits the website gets. Scott and Bonnie both felt that this would not provide any meaningful information as the various search engines regularly "hit" sites like ours unduly inflating the numbers. It was, therefore, decided not to attempt to monitor the number of visits to our website.

LAND REPORT

Bonnie shared still further maps and title reports with the group concerning both the existing PMVFD site and others, which might be of assistance to the community in its Safety Center project.

FUNDING AND GRANT COMMITTEE

Tom explained to Robert Carlyle that he's been carrying around a beautiful story for Robert's attendance and to address his concerns over funding issues. Today, however, Tom had only his paired down file. For next week's meeting, Tom promised to bring the story, which he indicated would be more meaningfully read than recollected.

Tom also indicated that he'd talked with Chief George, who continues to search for various grants that could assist with the construction of the facility. George indicated that he, too, has been in touch with people he's suggested to be on the grant committee. Tom indicated he has not had any contact with these people as of yet.

Tom also indicated that Chief George spoke to the Yoga In Service Corporation people, who run the Palomar Summit last night. Tom said that, not only is George an excellent speaker, but that he also provided many rationales that Tom is certain will provide support for the need for the Community Safety Center in governmental grantors' eyes.

NEW BUSINESS

The Action Committee offered formal thanks to Dale and Angelique Norton for making their Palomar Mountain Lodge open to this public meeting of the Palomar Mountain Community Safety Center Action Committee today.

ADJOURNMENT

After a refreeze, the negotiation of an agenda for next week's meeting, it adjourned to picture taking session at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas W. Burton, Acting Secretary