

THE EL RIO /DEL NORTE MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Serving El Rio, Nyeland Acres, Strickland and Agricultural Areas

as Advisory Council for recreational activities in the El Rio/Del Norte area, including advisory recommendations for the El Rio Roger Jones Community Center and Nyeland Acres Community Center

SUMMARY MINUTES

Thursday April 20, 2023, 7:00 pm

Roger Jones Community Center
2864 Jourdan St. Oxnard, CA 93036

- I. **Call to order 7:07 pm**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Roll Call - A quorum was declared, based on the presence of the following Board Members**

Regular Members

David Souza (Vice Chair/ Nyeland Acres), Present
Bonnie Bernal (Cloverdale), Present
Julie Hupp (Strickland), Present
Lorane Bailon (Rio Plaza), Present

At Large Members

Mike Barber (Chair), Absent
Aaron Wedemeyer, Absent
Brenda Heredia, Present
Alternate
Michael Stubblefield, Absent

Others in Attendance

Michael Inda, Supervisor Long's Office
Nancy Schram, Ventura County Library Director
Marco Perez, Code Compliance Officer III - Building & Zoning Enforcement

- IV. **Approval of Meeting Minutes for October 20, 2022**

Moved by: Brenda Heredia

Seconded: Lorane Bailon

Vote: Motion Passed 5-0

- V. **Public Safety Updates**

Deputy, O'Brian reported on some graffiti in Nyeland Acres with video surveillance submitted but unable to identify. He urges the community to keep reporting these types of incidents. The Sheriff's office has recently been working with Oxnard PD in cleaning out the homeless encampments from the Old Rio School, offering services and housing vouchers. In closing, the Sheriff's office is in a contract with the Rio School District two days a week in rotation for safety during drop off and pick up times (Rio Plaza Elementary /Rio Del Valle Middle School).

- VI. **Public Comments for Items Not on the Agenda:**

Mr. Carter, Nyeland Acres resident would like the County to capture more of the rain water and stop it from going to the Ocean. He also stated that he spoke to United water and there has been a report of only 1 fish in the past 10 years.

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VII. Council Member Comments:

Brenda Heredia, Announced the Earth Day Community Clean up taking place Saturday, April 22, 2023, from 9-11 am, meeting at the Nyeland Acres Community Center on behalf of Nyeland Promise.

Lorane Bailon, Announced the Jazz Festival Band-Booster's fundraiser taking place Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 6:00pm located at Pacifica High School Auditorium on behalf of Rio Mesa high School Band.

VIII. Presentation by Ventura County Library Director, Nancy Schram

Ventura County Library serves customers from a diverse group of communities spread across the county. Ventura County's agricultural focus attracts over 74,000 farmworkers and native spanish speakers. The Mobile Library brings literacy service including bilingual services, books, laptops, computer access with WIFI, tutors, STEAM literacy story time, and games directly to youth and adults. The Ventura county Library and the Ventura County Office of Education are partnering together to launch a brand new School Mobile Library in 2023.

Ventura County Mobile Library Supervisor, Mayra Benitez Tadillo offered to facilitate scheduling solutions to the community by submitting a formal request at <https://www.vencolibrary.org/mobile-library-visit-request> and can be contacted for additional questions at mayra.benitezadillo@ventura.org.

El Rio's New Librarian Yvonne Cervantes announced ESL classes being offered at the El Rio Library Wednesday's at 10 am. El Rio Library times of operations are as follows: Monday 2-6, Tuesday 2-6, Wednesday 10-1, 2-6, Thursday 2 – 7:30 and Friday 2-6.

Q & A

Board Chair, Mike Barber Submitted Public Comment (Exhibit A)

Harbor District Commissioner, Mary Anne Rooney Submitted Public Comment (Exhibit B)

Q. Board member, Brenda Heredia, Is the Mobile Library for Children or Adults?

A. Both

Q. Board member, Loraine Bailon, the community need warrants two visits, is it possible?

A. Yes, please submit formal request to www.vencolibrary.org/mobile-library-visit-request

Q. Ayxa Agraz, requesting Mobile Library access outside the Boys & Girls Club program hours enabling kids from the community to also have access.

A. Yes, we can work with the schedule that works for both Club hours and community. You can also submit your formal request trough the website listed above.

Q. Esperanza Agraz, requesting Mobile Library access outside the Boys & Girls Club program hours so my 4 kids can access to the resources as well as myself.

IX. Adjourn: 7:43 pm

Next Meeting: May 18, 2023, 7:00 PM at the John C Zaragoza Nyeland Acres Community Center 3334 Santa Clara Ave.