

## **Meeting – Governance Committee Meeting: 6/19/18**

**Facilitator for this meeting:** Vicki Hill

**Secretary for this meeting:** Kate Eagles

**Meeting opened at 6:09 pm by Vicki Hill**

**Attending:** Larry Davis, Arthur Dawson, Kate Eagles, Vicki Hill, Shannon Lee and Michael McClure.

**Working MISSION STATEMENT for committee (remains unchanged):**

“To explore how a voice for the Glen Ellen community with official standing at the county and other levels of government might be developed, to educate the public on this matter, and to bring a proposed structure to community for a vote.”

1. REVIEW OF MISSION, goals, ground rules and agenda.

There were no suggested additions to agenda.

**Vicki** suggested that we move to “parking lot” status items that are not on the agenda, with the understanding that we will add them to a subsequent agenda, or discuss at the end of the meeting, time permitting.

**Shannon** noted that a number of community members have expressed increased concern about the lack of voice of Glen Ellen at the country level; an implied endorsement of our mission.

**Task (Larry):** reports that the Gualala MAC appears to be doing some good things; he will get a contact name for further follow-up.

Minutes from last meeting were approved.

**Task (Kate):** Check GE Forum web site for April 23 minutes. Once June 19 minutes are approved, email them (and April 23 if not posted) to GE Forum web site for posting.

## 2. MAC BOUNDARY UPDATE:

**Larry** brought up ideal MAC boundaries as perhaps not a line, but a gradient based on sphere of influence.

The committee agreed with the spirit of this idea, but it was acknowledged that a boundary is a requirement for MAC formation. It was suggested that MAC bylaws state that we are cooperative with neighboring MACS, and that bylaws include a mechanism for periodic revisiting of MAC boundaries.

Referring to the boundary map previously emailed by Arthur to the committee, the committee agreed that the purple boundary line was preferred on the east, west, and south, and that the north boundary will be adjusted to include all of those within the Glen Ellen zip code (red boundary line), acknowledging that the north boundary may change again pending any developments with Kenwood.

**Task (Arthur):** to adjust boundary map to reflect addition of full Glen Ellen zip code area at north edge.

## 3. INCLUSION OF KENWOOD:

**Arthur** spoke with Alec Peters with the *Kenwood Press* who suggested we approach the Valley of the Moon Alliance (VOTMA). Arthur spoke with Kathy Pons who told him that while VOTMA had rejected the idea of a MAC in the past, they may be willing to revisit; she asked us to come to VOTMA meeting on July 18 at the Kenwood Depot.

**Task (Shannon & Arthur):** will attend the VOTMA meeting and present the MAC concept on July 18.

**Task (Arthur):** will review Census data to determine approximate population within current revised MAC boundary (as referenced above), and perhaps to also include Kenwood scenario.

The committee was in agreement that we would like to engage and include Kenwood in the MAC.

## 4. INFORMATION FROM MARK WEST:

**Arthur** noted that there is a lot of information about the Mark West MAC on the Sonoma county web site, and that the Mark West MAC population area is 40,000.

**Task (Arthur):** will attend Monday, July 9, Mark West MAC meeting.

**Task (Arthur):** will find and review the Mark West Mac Bylaws.

## 5. BYLAWS STATUS / DISCUSSION:

**Vicki:** confirmed that the county requires bylaws and boundaries for forming a MAC

**Task (Vicki):** review and bring back to committee other checklist items for MAC creation.

**Arthur** reviewed initial bylaws draft with committee, acknowledging that they'd been drafted some time ago and that there are many changes to be made. Specific suggestions included:

- \* refer to all non-profits in text; there are many that may be relevant to MAC scope;
- \* committee agreed to draft the Bylaws as we think best to serve our mission and needs, utilizing, but not necessarily restricted by, the Sonoma county template.

**Task (Larry):** research MAC formation history within the state, with particular focus on scope and bylaws.

**Task (Arthur & Vicki):** redraft bylaws and email to group for review.

**Task (Kate):** attend July 10 Glen Ellen Forum meeting to provide a MAC update:

- include number of MACs with which we're in touch;
- reach out to committee for talking points.

## 6. REMAINING QUESTIONS:

**Task (Larry):** to respond to unanswered questions (from January meeting) in narrative form reflecting the "value" behind the questions. Response(s) will go back to committee for review and to determine any next steps.

## 7. NEXT STEPS / MEETING

**Sunday, July 8, Shannon's house at 6 pm.**

Meeting adjourned by Vicki at approximately 7:40 pm.