

**Fish Camp Town Planning Advisory Council
Minutes**

Saturday, July 23, 2011, Tenaya Lodge

Meeting convened at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Harter

Members Present: Harter, McCann, Mattos, Salisbury, Wohlgemuth

Members Excused: Baxter, Cerioni

Members Not Excused: Davies, Luther

Ex-Officio Members Present: Jim Allen, County Supervisor; Dave Martin, Bass Lake District Ranger;
Les Marsden, Planning Commissioner

Guests: Bill Keller, Kirk Helland, Anne Lombardo, Tim Casagrande

MOTION: (Salisbury/Mattos) Motion to approve minutes of 04/30/11 as submitted.

Public Comments not on the Agenda

Anne Lombardo, Sierra Nevada Adaptive Management Project (SNAMP), amlombardo@ucdavis.edu
SNAMP is a 7-year study to determine whether the Pacific Fisher population in the southern sierra is stable or decreasing, which vital rate is most important in population change and which environmental factors are correlated with these changes. Science teams intensively monitor the survival and behavior of all known individual fisher residing within the boundaries of four focal watersheds—Sugar Pine, Nelder Creek, Rainier Creek and White Chief Branch watersheds. Also monitoring survival and habitat use by multiple individual fisher living outside the focal watersheds.

County Government Report – Jim Allen

Supervisor Lyle Turpin is unlikely to return as an active board member in the foreseeable future. The other supervisors are covering for Mr. Turpin during his absence.

Mariposa County is facing about a \$2 million shortfall. *Mariposa Gazette* has alluded to increasing the TOT to meet the shortfall however Mr. Allen does not believe that raising the TOT is the right thing to do. He believes there are other ways to make up the shortfall by reducing government and not resorting to furloughs. Case in point: vehicle maintenance can be done far cheaper by the private sector. An RFP has gone out to operate the landfill and will result in an annual savings of over \$600,000. Road maintenance is another area that the private sector can do cheaper than the County. Mr. Allen does not believe the government should be doing things that the private sector can do better and cheaper.

Option 4 for re-districting seems likely. Wawona area will be retained with Fish Camp in District 5 which will also include all of Lushmeadows. Supervisor Cann will represent all of Mariposa town instead of half the town.

The new firehouse will break ground this year and will be built next year.

Les Marsden—District 5 Planning Commissioner

Re-districting will cause him to be moved to District 1, perhaps by the end of the year.

USFS Report—Dave Martin

Cedar Valley project will be finished this year. Half of the Sugar Pine project will be completed this year, the rest next year. Logging project in Fish Camp to begin next year.

Off road motor vehicle use maps are now available. It will take a long time to educate the public about the changes.

D R A F T

Review FCTPAC By-Laws

Each council member should review the By-Laws.

Next Meeting

Saturday, October 22 at 10 a.m., Tenaya Lodge

MOTION

(Wohlgemuth/Salisbury) Meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Salisbury, Secretary