

DEL MONTE FOREST PROPERTY OWNERS (DMFPO)
TRAFFIC & SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES
 Tuesday, January 26, 2016 ~ 4:00 p.m.
Pebble Beach Community Services District – Board Room

Members	Resources
Jeff Fuller, Chair*	Nick Becker – PB Community Svcs Dist (PBCSD)
LeBon Abercrombie*	Sgt. Burns – Monterey County Sheriff’s Office
Kathy Beallo - absent	Cheryl Burrell – Pebble Beach Co. (PBC), Planning Mgr.
Bart Bruno*	Shawn Casey – PBC, Director of Operations
Dean Craig	Kevin Cole – PBC, Safety Director
Charles Delahay*	Donna Galletti – Sheriff’s Office Crime Prevention Specialist
Don Eastman	Suha Kilic – PBCSD, Deputy General Manager
Jeffrey Froke – PB Community Svcs District, absent	Chief Mark Mancini – PBCSD Fire Dept.
Debra Graham*	Mike Niccum – PBCSD, General Manager
Bob Hutchison* – Roads Committee Chairman	Sergeant Chris Pia – CHP
Maureen Lyon*	Don Tkachenko – PBC, Security Director
Monica Nathan	Rick Verbanec – PBCSD/Del Monte Forest Conservancy
Kamlesh Parikh*	

* denotes DMFPO board member

Call to Order. Chairman Fuller called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call. Eleven members present, two absent.

3) **Acceptance of Agenda.** Accepted as presented (M/S/C Hutchison/Bruno)

4) **Introduction of Guests.** Tim Huber and Lettie Bennett, Pebble Beach residents

5) **Approval of the Minutes** of the July 28, 2015 meeting. (M/S/C Hutchison/Graham)

6) Reports

- a) **Monterey County Sheriff’s Office** (Donna Galletti) Crime statistics through 2015 (and 2014 for comparison) were provided. 2015 burglaries saw a spike in August. A suspect was arrested in September after which the number of burglaries declined through November. Occurrences spiked again in December, with a suspect subsequently arrested who remains incarcerated. Reported in January 2016 were one burglary of residence, three thefts from vehicles, one bicycle taken from a yard, and one generator taken from a business property; three of the January occurrences were attributed to the arrested suspect and some stolen property was returned to victims. In comparison to 2015, burglaries were down in 2014 most likely due to burglars focusing in the Carmel area that year. Residential burglaries tend to occur during the day, and vehicle thefts during the night. Most of the vehicles were left unlocked by victims.

Monterey County Sheriff’s Office (SO) staff reductions, effective October 2015, do not seem to have had an impact on crime rates. Ms. Galletti noted that time frames and crime statistics were considered by the SO when scheduling staff reductions. Sgt. Burns reported that eighteen deputies were diverted from patrol to the jail. Two of the 18 deputies were returned to patrol since October, and it is likely that two each month will be returned to patrol as newly hired deputies come on board. Currently an SO patrol unit responds to Pebble Beach from Salinas. Auto and mutual aid is used for response to life threatening calls – surrounding local agencies send officers immediately.

b) **Chairman Reports**

- i. Lettie Bennett presented slides regarding accident prevention at Lopez and Congress Roads. The line of sight up Lopez Road to the left at the intersection where Congress Road dead ends into Lopez is blocked by a hill around which Lopez Road curves. Ms. Bennett suggested one or two traffic mirrors be placed on the non-hill side of Lopez to allow for some view of vehicles, and especially cyclists, coming around the Lopez blind curve. PBC plans to carve back the hillside once the Poppy Lane lots are occupied. In the meantime, Shawn Casey stated he would install a mirror at the location requested by Ms. Bennett. It was noted that bicycle vs. vehicle collisions are not uncommon in the Forest although no such collision at that intersection was recalled. There was concern that the amount of traffic on Lopez/Congress Roads would increase during construction of the Holman Hwy 68/Hwy One Roundabout.
 - ii. Correspondence was received from three residents regarding pedestrians and cyclists crossing safely at Forest Lodge and Congress Roads. There was no one present to voice the concern. Chair Fuller referred the matter to PBC to formulate a response to the concerned parties. Cheryl Burrell of PBC explained the involved process necessary to place crosswalks and stop signs within the Forest. One basis for placement of controls is the number of collisions or other safety incidents at the location.
 - iii. Regarding traffic controls at Crespi and Del Ciervo Roads mentioned at the October 30, 2015 PBCSD board meeting, Mr. Niccum noted that the controls had already been placed at the historically high-speed area.
 - iv. Correspondence was received from a property owner who felt the 25mph speed limit in areas of the Forest was too low. The committee concurred that speed limits should remain as they are, with the 25mph limits being prudent in neighborhoods, near schools, and along non-shoulder, tree lined roads. Chair Fuller will respond to Mr. Rubenstein.
- c) **Traffic Accident Report** (Shawn Casey). The traffic collision report for the period was provided. Mr. Casey reviewed ten collisions since July 1, 2015, two involving bicycles and four with injuries.
- d) **PBCSD** (Mike Niccum). The current focus is on Lodge area infrastructure improvements. The Holman Hwy 68/Hwy One Roundabout Project is being monitored by PBCSD staff.
- e) **PBC Safety/Security Report** (Don Tkachenko). Mr. Tkachenko had nothing to report.
- f) **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Update** (Monica Nathan). Ms. Nathan reported CERT training was held for residents at Del Mesa Carmel with 30 in attendance. CPR training will be offered in February for lay providers and healthcare personnel. No CERT callouts occurred over the last several months during weather events.
- g) **Roads/Land Use** (Bob Hutchison). Director Hutchison felt significant progress was being made in instituting a program for maintaining and improving road conditions in the Forest. At the last Committee meeting in December, Mr. Stivers highlighted the Nichol's Engineering road survey report that determined the Pavement Condition Index for all Forest road segments. The index is used throughout the country, and Forest roads in comparison to surrounding locales are in very good condition. However the Committee and PBC continually work to improve roads to maintain an index satisfactory for the area's prestige. Shawn Casey gave an update on road improvement progress for the current budget year (through April).

- 7) **PBC General Update** (Cheryl Burrell). The AT&T Pro-am is the week of February 8th. Upgrades by PBCSD to water, sewer, and undergrounding of utilities in the Lodge area has begun and will pause during the AT&T. Renovation of rooms at the 18th Fairway will continue through the AT&T. Spanish Bay room renovation will begin the end of February. The Sticks kitchen remodel is almost complete. The final EIR for the inclusionary housing project is planned to be published this Friday, then scheduled for a Planning Commission hearing sometime in April. PBC Fairway One and Beirne residence hotel projects are scheduled to begin construction in April, 2016. Hwy 1/68 Roundabout Project construction is expected to begin in April also.
- 8) New Business. None
- 9) Public Comments/Items Not on the Agenda. None
- 10) Announcements. Next meeting will be Tuesday, **April 26, 2016**. Upcoming meetings: July 26, 2016, October 25, 2016
- 11) The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Laura Dadiw, Dadiw Associates for DMFPO