

# PIRU NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING

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## COMMUNITY MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY October 16, 2024

### VOLUNTEER EXECUTIVE BOARD

PRESIDENT: KEN WISEMAN  
TREASURER: JUDY DALEY-LOVETT  
MEMBER AT LARGE: KELLY BOEK

VICE PRESIDENT: IRENE RUIZ  
SECRETARY: MEGHAN SHEETZ

MEETING LOCATION: **Community Center – Orchard Street 122 Main Street**

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## GENERAL MEETING: BEGINS - 7:02pm

- CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – BOARD ROLL CALL
  - Present: Irene, Kelly, & Meghan
  - Absent: Ken & Judy
- MEETING MINUTES October Minutes – Meghan
  - Irene motion to approve, Kelly seconds motion, all approve.
- TREASURY REPORT: October Treasury Report – Judy via email
  - Meghan reads treasury report, motions to approve. Kelly seconds, all approve.
    - Balance: \$13,732.83
    - Costs this month: Mural payment & Firewise event.

## LIGHTS & SIRENS:

- LOCAL FIRE REPORT – Battalion Chief Rosdail
  - Felicia Fire Update: October 5, Piru Canyon Rd. 400 Acres burned, but acted fast with multiple resources coming together with Forest Service, CalFire, and County Fire agencies.
  - Fire 100% contained with Engine 53 staying to monitor.
  - !! Friday/ Saturday upcoming Santa Ana winds event, red flag weather.
  - Fire staffing upped the next 48 hours to support incremental weather.
  - Felicia Fire cause unknown at this time, investigation ongoing.
  - Shared responsibility zone with LA County Fire from San Martinez (E) to Sharp Ranch (W).
  - Resident: VC Alert for local news. Watch Duty for statewide fire watch.
  - !! Mandatory evacuations are an order. Think about this: Can you stay the whole way through the fire? Evacuations create safety for residents and officers.
  - Resident: VCOS Website can alert you where to go in an evacuation as well as animals. Multiple languages.
  - Fred: Great reminder to check your house smoke alarms. Great resource: [endhomefires.org](http://endhomefires.org). Red Cross Fire Prevention Smoke Alarm Program: free installations. Check alarms monthly. November time change, 9-volt battery for alarms.
  - Talk to your kids and family about fire evacuations and earthquake prep. Pretend fire drills at home. Teach your kids an exit drill.
- CHP REPORT – Officer Rios
  - Smart Class for youth drivers – begins in November at Moorpark offices.
  - Hiring! Goal to hire 1,000 officers next 2 years.
  - Resident: Is the Toys for Tots Train coming to Piru Dec. 7th your organization? No, but we do have a CHIPS for kids toy drive where you can donate toys to any CHP office, not affiliated with Toys for Tots. Irene will reach out to Sierra Nevada Railway to confirm toy drive.
- SHERIFF REPORT – Officer Dike
  - Burglaries last month at Finch Housing Development. Fillmore, Camarillo, and Ventura victims of this crime too. Circuit Breakers high item for theft.
  - Averde Nursery burglary – three masked intruders. Investigation pending...
  - Graffiti vandalism arrest made, with the help of the community, thank you!
  - Captain Malagon will connect with Ken and Irene for lighting at Newhall Mansion Halloween Event.

- See something, say something!
  - Videos can be shared remotely to Sherriff.
- Resident: Fridays and Saturdays for few months now burnouts are happening all the way to Orchard, across from Lizette's. Dodge Charger and Chevy Truck. Sheriff: Share any surveillance with Sherriff.
- Resident: Karaoke going until 3am at local restaurant, is this a music ordinance violation? County Ordinance requires a permit for music after 11 pm, after 2am need special permit. Not much more can be done than officers asking them to turn their music down. Harder in the daytime to disturb the peace.
- SHERRIFF NON-EMERGENCY LINE: 805-654-9511
- CERT or Firewise – Irene or Michael Lopez
  - Firewise Event: Went well, lost volunteers due to Felicia Fire. Hopeful grant money will complete houses on the waitlist.

### **LEADERSHIP TEAM UPDATES:**

- Via Fustero & Center Street Walkway – Fustero Complete, still waiting on walk path.
- New turning lane and parking challenges along Main Street Don/Ken – Still waiting
- Coastal Quest \$5,000 Grant for Piru Creek Trail & Fire Mitigation – Received funding – exploring whether we can open the park to the active riverbed
- VC Healthcare – Johnny
  - Santa Paula Hospital Labor/Delivery Unit is now closed due to deficit.
  - New Hospital on hold, reach out to Supervisor Long/Blue Ribbon Committee. Get involved!

### **Events:**

- Sept 21<sup>st</sup> - Danny Ramirez dedication and VIVA Piru Band event at Warring Park ballfield. Huge success!
- Oct 31<sup>st</sup> - Newhall Mansion Haunted Halloween Event – Meeting as early as next week. – Coming up quickly!

### **Old BUSINESS:**

- **Event Leadership**
  - Be a Coordinator for one or more of our events: Halloween, Viva Piru, Senior Dinner, Mansion Tour, Christmas Parade, Youth Summer Event, Bicycle Rodeo, Lake event, lots of other opportunities to host events!!!!
- Interested Community members in becoming Board Members? Member at Large position is open, others are available for consideration.

### **OTHER NEW BUSINESS:**

- Still open to other residents applying for positions within the PNC Board. We need “at Large” Board position volunteer to replace Kelly Boek. Ken, Irene, Judy, and Meghan are willing to continue in the board positions but are also open to other people’s interest in these positions.
- November meeting, we will vote for the new Board positions.

**PUBLIC COMMENT - WE WILL ALWAYS HOLD 30 MIN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

**3 MINUTES PER COMMENT PLEASE**

- Mike: Veteran's Day Parade - Monday, November 11, 2024. Day before concert in the park at Fillmore City Hall.
- Los Vets Skel-a-bration: Saturday, November 2, 2024. Event from 5PM-9PM, RSVP.
- Bike Path Update: Vince, Don, and Annie's husband cleared half of path with the mower Don bought. Will finish job next weekend. Work in progress: Finding the organizations responsible for the path's future maintenance and upkeep.
- Becky: No crosswalk lights at first crosswalk by ARCO
- Piru Elementary School Principal Laureano Introduction
  - Fillmore raised, working on her doctorate.
  - Piru School events: Unity Day, The Great Shake Out Earthquake Drill, Red Ribbon Week, Posts on IG, FB, and website blog.
- Annie: Can the community create ornaments for the Gazebo Park Christmas trees, recruit the youth? Kelly will put together a committee. School Liaison: Priscilla. Working on Christmas after Halloween mansion event.

**NEXT PNC MEETING –Nov 20, 2024 – Community Center – Orchard St.**

**THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR VALUABLE TIME WITH THE PNC AND OUR COMMUNITY**

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Leadership Circle Groups – updates moved up to Active Agenda

#### **LEADERSHIP TEAM UPDATES:**

- **Senior Citizen Updates** – Annie Ruiz
- **CERT Update** - Irene R. and/or Mike L
- **Veteran's Programs & Events** – Roy Ruiz & Michael Chinery
  - Military Banners – Irene
- **Firewise Certification and oversight** – Michael Lopez
  - First event April 13th
- **Public Works** – reporting issues within Piru – Donald Pierce
- **Adult Education** – Help us grow our course offerings – **Need volunteer**
- **Recreation** – Josh Levenson
  - **Use of Fillmore pool**
  - **United Water Park event – June 12<sup>th</sup> 6-8PM**
- **Volunteer Coordinator** – Help us grow and provide assignments to interested community volunteers – **Need volunteer**
- **Filming** – Kat Jauch
- **Website** – Kat Jauch
- **Health Services** – Johnny Gomez
- **Memorial Committee** – Ken & Irene – **Need Chair**
  - Memorial Committee Updates. **Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>**
- **Fund Raising** – Help with letters to potential donors and sponsors – **Need volunteer**
- **Graphic Design & Event Flyers** – Andrea Madrigal
- **Piru History** – Maria Christopher
- **Social Media** – Betty-Lou Wiseman, Ken
- **Heritage Tourism & Regionalization Board** – Ken Wiseman
- **Economic Development** - Alondra Gayton
- **American Red Cross** — Betty-Lou Wiseman
- **Foodshare** - Irene/Roy/Paul Perez Jr.

- **New Housing** – Ken – **Need volunteer**
- **Affordable Housing** – Gabrielle Vignone
- **Stray Cat Mitigation** – Josh & Anel