

Amador County Redistricting Advisory Committee
MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday, May 19, 2021
TIME: 6:00 p.m.
LOCATION: County Administration Center, 810 Court Street, Jackson, California

The Redistricting Advisory Committee of Amador County met at the County Administration Center, 810 Court Street, Jackson, California, on the above date pursuant to adjournment, and the following proceedings were had, to wit:

Present on Roll Call:

Keith Sweet, District I, Chairman, Regular Member
Wayne Garibaldi, District I Regular Member
Dana Jorgensen, District I, Alternate Member
Patti Fisher-Misuraca, District II Regular Member
Robert Enyeart, District II, Alternate Member
Katya Anderson, District III, Vice-Chairman, Regular Member
Stephanie Thompson, District III, Regular Member
Andy Byrne, District IV, Regular Member
Bruce Baracco, District IV, Regular Member
Jan Houghton, District IV, Alternate Member
Don Dowell, District V, Regular Member
Tom Patten, District V, Regular Member
Anne Heissenbuttel, District V, Alternate Member

Staff: Charles T. Iley, County Administrative Officer
Chuck Beatty, Director of Planning
Ruslan Bratan, Planner
Heather Peek, Deputy Clerk of the Board

Absent: Chester "Skip" Schaufel, District II, Regular Member

REGULAR SESSION: At approximately 6:00 p.m., the Committee convened into regular session.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Keith Sweet led the Committee and the public in the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA: Discussion items only, no action to be taken. Any person may address the Committee at this time upon any subject within the jurisdiction of the Amador County Redistricting Advisory Committee; however, any matter that requires action may be referred to staff and/or Committee for a report and recommendation for possible action at a subsequent Committee meeting. Please note - there is a **three (3) minute limit per person**.

There were no public comments at this time.

AGENDA: Review and possible approval of the May 19, 2021 Agenda.

ACTION: Direction given pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION: It was moved by Andy Byrne, District IV, seconded by Wayne Garibaldi, District I, and unanimously carried to approve the May 19, 2021 Agenda.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 21, 2021 MINUTES: Review and possible approval of the April 21, 2021 Minutes.

ACTION: Direction given pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION: It was moved by Andy Byrne, District IV, seconded by Wayne Garibaldi, District I, and unanimously carried to approve the April 21, 2021 Minutes.

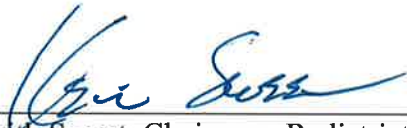
COMMUNITY OUTREACH FORMS AND PROCESSES: Vice Chairman, Katya Anderson, District III, provided an overview to the committee, of the community outreach flyer and survey questions formed for the public to participate in once posted to the Amador County 2021 Redistricting HUB website. Discussion ensued with the committee, and it was noted that Vice Chairman Anderson would meet with the Amador County Planning Department and revise the survey questions and associated flyer to present to the Committee at the next meeting. Vice Chairman Anderson relayed that the goal is to have open meetings for the public to discuss their viewpoints from the online survey and that any community input should be documented so nothing is overlooked and everyone is heard. Vice Chairman Anderson suggested this strategy is reached via social media platforms, bulletins, as well as, the County's website. Mr. Byrne, District IV, stated the flyer doesn't mention the survey and that it would be an important piece to include. Ms. Houghton, District IV (alternate member), and asked if the survey would contain explanation of communities of interest, such as, who is in the community of interest, where it's located and how one would describe their community of interest. Ms. Houghton also said this should be added to the final areas of interest. Mr. Byrne suggested revising some of the questions on the survey and also keeping the information centralized for easy access.

VISULIZATION DISCUSSION: Chairman Sweet expressed the difficulty in looking at the districts while trying to move one census block from one place to another and that he is unable to see the whole picture. Chuck Beatty, Director of Planning noted that it's difficult when you have that many blocks and you can't manipulate the boundaries even when you can see it all. Chairman Sweet went on to say that the census tracks also incorporates three different districts within it and the only way to deal with that is to get the census blocks visibly in a larger context so nothing is lost. Mr. Beatty stated they can identify those areas we know don't need to be split, what we think those boundaries should be, look at those boundaries individually and determine what they should be. The communities of interest can be identified based on population clusters and to keep them intact until we have new data where we can add or subtract data at later time and that trying to do a smaller area at one time can be difficult. Chairman Sweet asked the best strategy to come up with on areas of issues and if requests would be accepted from individual commission members? Mr. Beatty suggested starting with the cities and identify census designated places then look at what we think the areas of community interest that will be the most difficult to start with. Further discussion ensued on how to work with the visuals within the program.

DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS: The Redistricting Advisory Committee will meet on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., and a subsequent Public Hearing meeting with the Amador County Board of Supervisors on Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

OTHER ITEMS/QUESTIONS: None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m. and will meet again Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.



Keith Sweet, Chairman, Redistricting Advisory Committee

ATTEST:



HEATHER PEEK, Deputy Clerk of the
Board of Supervisors, Amador County,
California