

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

*1025 ESCOBAR STREET
MARTINEZ, CA 94553*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 12, 2025

6:00 PM

3090 Ranch Lane, Bethel Island, Ca

Bethel Island Municipal Advisory Council

1. Roll Call and Introductions
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. APPROVAL of agenda

Continued; not presented, technical system issues

A motion was made by Mark Whitlock seconded by Phil Kammerer that this was approved.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Motion: Kammerer

Second: Allen

Aye: Allen, Bittner, Brunham, Kammerer, and Whitlock

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4. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers are limited to three minutes).

Lori Castillo: Stone Road drainage concerns ongoing; BIMID rock project letter continued delays and no timeline for completion without responsiveness to inquiries to give clarification. Would like to have townhall meetings. BIMAC needs to assign members to BIMID park committee for collaboration.

Lisa Kirk: BIMID has a park committee, BIMAC does not; BIMAC committee assignments are not clear; BIMID is the special district that oversees parks; Suggestion - BIMAC assign members to attend official BIMID standing park committee meeting; BIMAC needs emergency response committee

Bethi Carver: Need for Emergency Prep committee, concerns about Firewise program accessibility requirements and lack of community engagement; Other island concerns include: CERT LISTOS, and Heartsafe.

5. BIMAC Council Member Reports

Mark Whitlock: ongoing health issues with vision issues in left eye; would like to remain seated on floor due to visibility issues. Confirmed 602 status with Lt. White (Sheriff Office) Would like to engage BIMID for consideration of 602 status on park property, no response at this time.

- a. *Mark Whitlock: ongoing health issues with vision issues in left eye; would like to remain seated on floor due to visibility issues.*

6. Consent Items

APPROVE Record of Actions - July 8, 2025

This was continued.

7. Agency Reports

- a. **Contra Costa Office of the Sheriff - Lt. White**

National Night Out went well; Boats and Berries participation; July data - 183 responses, 13 reports, 5 arrests

- b. **Contra Costa Fire Protection District - Michelle Reinhart via Anna Cleese**
- c. **Contra Costa County Supervisor Diane Burgis - Anna Cleese**
 - Bethel Island Road Culvert Repair, approved BOS, TBD
 - Clean Up Day, ready to roll
 - BIMAC bi-annual training
 - Safety Day, ongoing connections
 - Cooling Stations/Locations
 - Red Cross Blood drive events
 - D3/Bethel Island, engagement and messaging goals

8. Discussion Items

- a. **DISCUSS and CONSIDER removal of Park Committee from standing agenda and future frequency**

BIMAC board would like to discuss further in future meetings; BIMID updates only?; General concerns from board and community members that lack of a BIMAC assigned BIMID park meeting attendee is confusing things; Future meetings, request BIMID updates

This was continued.

- b. **DISCUSS and CONSIDER removal of Code Enforcement from standing agenda and future frequency**

BIMAC would like to discuss more at future meeting; maybe set to a quarterly or bi-annual schedule

This was continued.

- c. **DISCUSS and CONSIDER removal of Emergency Preparedness Committee from standing agenda and future frequency**

BIMAC would like to discuss more at future meeting; maybe set to a quarterly or bi-annual schedule

This was continued.

- c. **DISCUSS current status of additional dumping sign project led by Phil Kammerer**

Phil Kammerer has worked to identify some ideal locations for sign placement and will work with Supervisor Burgis staff and Public Works to determine status of project from Fall 2024.

This was continued.

- d. **DISCUSS relevance of decorative banners under BIMAC purview and/or assignment to person or department for next steps**

Discussed and no relevance/scope to BIMAC decided, perhaps if there is a future comment or recommendation that BIMAC is being asked to make, that request could be considered.

. The motion failed

Motion: Kammerer

Second: Allen

Aye: Whitlock

Nay: Allen, Bittner, Brunham, and Kammerer

Result: Failed

9. Committee Reports

a. **Code Enforcement**

Bethel Island Chamber of Commerce

Bethel Island Municipal Improvement District (BIMID)

Bethel Island Post Office

Park Committee

San Joaquin Yacht Club

Scout Hall

Heart Safe Communities Program

Emergency Preparedness Committee

Code Enforcement, not assigned

- None

Chamber, Lori Castillo

- Paint Night Sept

- Boats and Berries coming soon

BIMID, Lisa Kirk

- 2005 evacuation plan

- 2017 County plan for flooding and reclamation

- CERT needs a sponsor

- Upcoming BIMID study in planning (date to be determined) levees, drainage, recommendations for Stone Road, etc

- Upcoming BIMID park committee meeting, report to follow

San Joaquin Yacht Club, Pam Allen

- Breakfast for Boats and Berries will be at the club

Scout Hall, Lori Castillo

- eventually requests for hall use will go through board

Heart Safe Community, Mark Whitlock

- no update

Emergency Preparedness, unassigned

- no update

10. Correspondence

a. **RECEIVE BIMAC July Correspondence to include Planning Commission, Zoning Authority, and Public Hearing (pertaining to Bethel Island)**

Motion: Allen

Second: Kammerer

Aye:**Allen, Bittner, Brunham, Kammerer, and Whitlock****Result:****Passed**

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned 7:47pm

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The next meeting is currently scheduled for September 9, 2025.

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