

CRESTON ADVISORY BODY
Meeting Minutes
Creston Community Center – 5110 Swayze St, Creston
Wednesday, February 18, 2026

Chairperson- Sheila Lyons, Vice Chair – Kurt Almond, Treasurer – Roy Barba , Secretary- rotating

1. Call to Order – Flag Salute

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Sheila Lyons, Kurt Almond, Roy Barba, Michael Aarons, Juan Soto all present.

Don Clark, Matt Lynge and Thomas Edel absent.

Sign in sheet for public attendees attached to these minutes.

2. CAB Recorder for This Meeting

Discussion was held regarding the continued use of AI tools to assist with preparation of meeting minutes and methods to improve review efficiency. The CAB Recorder for this meeting was Jaun Soto.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s)

Minutes from the October 15, and January meetings were reviewed. August 20th still outstanding.

- **October 15th Minutes:**
Motion to approve the minutes was made by Kurt Almond and seconded by Roy Barba; motion carried unanimously.
- **January Minutes:**
Motion to approve the minutes was made by Roy and seconded by Kurt; motion carried unanimously.

4. Limited Public and/or CAB Member Comments for Items NOT on the Agenda

a. Potential New CAB Members

Discussion was held regarding recruitment of new CAB members, including continued interest from a potential candidate, Brian Minor. Efforts to recruit additional members are ongoing for CAB Areas #3 Rocky Canyon/Hwy 229 and #8 Creston East.

b. CGC Wine Barrel Donations

Announcement was made regarding the Garden Club plant and Bake Sale event scheduled for April 11, including a request for wine barrel donations.

c. Rodeo Volunteers

Information was shared regarding volunteer needs for upcoming rodeo events. Various volunteer

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roles were discussed including help in the bar, VIP area and apparel sales. Members were encouraged to assist or recruit others.

d. Retirement of US flags will be held by American Legion at Stanger Vineyards February 20th, 6PM.

5. Public Safety Reports

Sheriff's Department – Sgt. McFarlane

A report was provided for January activity in the Creston area, including calls for service and general law enforcement updates. Information was also shared regarding U.S. Forest Service ranger activity and drone regulations. Mention that the Creston resident Sheriff will be back soon, Matt Barksdale, will be returned from medical leave soon. Discussion of flying law enforcement and PG&E drones. They must stay below 400 ft and can visit airspace anywhere they live...over people's homes, but aren't allowed to look into people's homes. \$5K fine for shooting them down. Each drone has a "road ID". They are tracked by the FFA.

California Highway Patrol (CHP) – Sgt

A report was given regarding traffic enforcement statistics, citation activity, DUI enforcement, and use of radar trailers in the area. Increased speed enforcement efforts in 2026 were noted. The incident report is attached at the end of these minutes.

Cal Fire – No report

6. Fifth District Supervisor Report

An update was provided on county infrastructure projects, including road resurfacing and the planned Creston Road Bridge project. Information was shared regarding county budget planning, public safety forums, newsletters, and board actions related to land application moratoriums.

7. Planning Department Update & Project Referrals

a. Goodrow Minor Use Permit

The Goodrow Minor Use Permit item was not ready for review and therefore will be addressed at the March CAB meeting.

b. Housing Element Implementation Update – Dominic Dal Porto – P&B Dept. Liaison

An overview was provided on the Housing Element implementation phases, including recent actions, upcoming board hearings, and implications for unincorporated areas such as Creston. Housing Element approved by B of S last October. It applies to subdevelopments in unincorporated areas of the County with infrastructure available to support build out. There will be a meeting to collect public comments on March 10th. Impacts mostly Nipomo and San Miguel.

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8. Unfinished Business

a. Moratorium on Treated Sewer Sludge

Discussion was held regarding the Board of Supervisors' actions related to the moratorium on land application of treated sewer sludge. The CAB's previously submitted letter remains part of the public record.

b. SLO Bicycle Club Wildflower Ride

Notification was acknowledged regarding approval of the SLO Bicycle Club Wildflower Ride scheduled for April 18.

9. Report from the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee

No report was provided.

10. Committee Reports / Next Steps

a. By-Laws

Discussion was held regarding potential by-law modifications and CAB area boundaries. No action taken.

b. Elections

Incumbents Mike, Kurt and Don are up for re-election and were reminded to submit completed Conditions of Service forms at next meeting. Areas without current representation were noted.

c. Public Information

Website updates and corrections were discussed, including accuracy of representative listings. Sheila will send Mike the current roster of members to use for the update.

11. Treasurer's Report

Roy Barba, Treasurer, reported the current account balance as \$991.12. Grant funding is pending.

12. Additional Limited Public Comment

Members of the public expressed appreciation for the CAB's work and community involvement.

13. Future Meetings and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 18, 2026.

14. Adjournment – Motion by Roy, 2nd by Kurt. Vote Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.



The Creston Advisory Body

Meeting Attendee Sign-In Sheet

Date: 2/18/26

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CRESTON ADVISORY BOARD (CAB)									
Surveyed Date Range: January 2026 vs January 2025 Geographic Boundaries of Creston (Beat 6, Beat 7, and Beat 17) vs. Templeton CHP Area									
	CRESTON AREA					TOTAL STATS			
	2026		2025			2026		2025	
HW	CR	HW	CR	%		HW	CR	HW	CR
TOTAL CRASHES INVESTIGATED	0	0	3	5	-100%	0	0	8	8
PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY	0	0	1	5	-100%	0	0	6	6
INJURY	0	0	2	0	-100%	0	0	2	2
DUI	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0
FATAL	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ENFORCEMENT CONTACTS <small>(INCLUDES VERBAL/WITTEN WARNINGS)</small>	2	21	0	16	44%	23	16	16	44%
TOTAL CITATIONS ISSUED <small>(INCLUDES PCF, REGISTRATION, COMMERCIAL, CELLPHONE VIOLATIONS)</small>	1	14	0	11	36%	15	11	11	36%
MAX SPEED VIOLATIONS	1	1	0	2	0%	2	2	2	0%
100+ MPH VIOLATIONS	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
SEATBELT VIOLATIONS	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
DUI ARRESTS	1	0	0	0	0%	1	0	0	0%
PUBLIC/MOTOR SERVICES									
	1,698	1,313				857	673		
	676	583				8	9		
	8	7				8	7		
	27	19				27	19		
	125	135							

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