Pearblossom Rural Town Council General Meeting Minutes September 17, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS NOT PRESENT
Chris Minsal - President	Beth Kieffer - Council Member
Robert Corrick - Vice President	
Kyle Lockhart - Treasurer	
Devin Lockhart – Recording Secretary	
Jose Centeno – Correspondence Secretary	

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATIONS	FOLLOW-UP
1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.n • Pearblossom Queens lead the Pled	•	•
2. Old Business	 Draft Meeting Minutes for the 08/20/2025 presented for approval - Devin L. Treasurer's Report for 08/2025 – Kyle L. 	 08/20/2025 Devin L. will make a correction to the draft meeting minutes to change Announcement date of Ducktoberfest Committee Meeting from 09/04/2026 to 09/04/2025. Kyle L. made a motion to approve with changes, Robert C. seconded, all in favor. Minutes approved with changes. Treasurer's Report: 08/2025 Balance Forward: \$4,266.87 Duck feed -\$44.98 Interest payment \$0.04 08/2025 Balance Forward: \$4,221.93 	
New Business		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
3. Announcements	 Ducktoberfest Clean-Up Party – 09/28/2025 from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Clean up – rake leaves, light clean up, weeds, fill in animal holes, duck lanes, etc. Anyone that would like to volunteer please reach out to Chris M. There will be snacks and refreshments. Chris M. is working on obtaining a donation for lunch from one of the local restaurants.	
4. Guest Speakers – if available	 Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department California Highway Patrol Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation Los Angeles County Public Works 	 Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Graffiti vandal in Littlerock was sentenced to 16 months in county jail. Q: Rob C where are we with the unpermitted food vendors? A: When the sheriffs go out they come out with the Health Department and at this time they don't have anything on the calendar. Q: Attendee: What is being done with the unpermitted development in town? The concern is that it is unfair to the community and an increase in crime. Is there anything that Palmdale station is doing at this time? A: Not at this time for property that has been purchased, mobile homes, etc. It is up to the Department of Regional Planning. They don't always have legal standings. Q: What about all the people that come on the weekends and are off- 	

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		roading in large numbers. A: They do have an off road team. You can email complaints to get on the area on their list. That way the team can focus on it. Report to: lasdOHV@lasd.org California Highway Patrol Not in attendance Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation Not in attendance Los Angeles County Public Works Equity Framework which is currently available for public review/comment until October 31, 2025. The website is here (https://equity.pw.lacounty.gov/)	
5. Local Happenings	Pearblossom Pantry Open from 7:00 a.m 10:00 a.m. every Saturday	 Pearblossom Pantry Open from 7:00 a.m 10:00 a.m. every Saturday for anyone needing food and/or clothes. Blessed to have Mr. Laird in attendance. Thanked him for helping many people getting fed all year long. 	
6. Updates	 Association of Rural Town Councils (ARTC) – Jose C. Department of Regional Planning (DRP) – Zone Change Application(s) 	 Association of Rural Town Councils (ARTC) – Jose C. LA County working on County wide water plan. Kathryn Barger has asked for a water plan in the Antelope Valley. The water plan to support the local water companies. Additionally to protect those on wells. Another factor is water quality. Battery storage systems. Acton has taken the county to court. Planning on 250 shipping containers for batter storage near Vincent Hill across from the power station. Upcoming projects – Antelope Valley Acres Avenue G and 240th Street for solar farms/energy storage. Much of the power goes down to the city and not in our community. Illegal dumping. The construction waste on properties hidden with mulch. Cal Recycle made permanent regulations. It is a right step forward but more needs to be done. Started in 2018 and getting worse. Department of Regional Planning (DRP) – Zone Change Application(s) Applications being received to change agricultural zones to industrial (i.e. truck storage). Mary Update: Progress report court hearing on the local sexual violent predator on 09/18/2025. The head of the SVPs is coming out next month to speak to the neighbors and whoever shows. She will publish the date once she 	

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		 knows. Good news on the legislative front. Lots of support. Safe Act Sexually Violent Predators Accountable Fairness and Enforcement Act, pushing for it for four (4) years and part of it passed last week. To do a feasibility study to place these predators in transitional housing on government properties rather than in the neighborhoods (SB380) SB379 passed and waiting for a floor vote in the Assembly the only person that has voted against it was Supervisor Miller. Additional reforms are in the works.
7. Business	President Chris M. State of The Blossom Address	 Chris M: In 2017 we started talking and the Pearblossom Rural Town Council was formed. It was a wonderful team, some moved on, thanks to them all. Being on the PRTC is something he is most proud of. This council is not a government agency, and we struggle to show the government leaders what we do and what is important to the community. No matter the size of the crew we have made wonderful strides. Accomplishments:
		 The Community Standards District (CSD). It was awesome to watch this community, people from the highway to the top of the hill. It was a very diverse group that shared in the shaping of the CSD to add to the county code Title 22. It was done in three (3) years. Littlerock took them 14 years. That is because the county didn't seem to take it seriously. One thing to remember, we are desert rural culture. We pushed so hard on Cal Trans to correct their violations (ADA, California Building Codes, and Federal violations). They started to listen to our concerns and start correcting them. They have three (3) sets of corrections, still more to go. The first thing we asked before construction was another light and we have had to push for it. We couldn't pick the spot that was due to their traffic study. Over 100 hours of meetings with Cal Trans to fight for everyone. We are all one out here. With Littlerock with all those deaths on the
		highway the surrounding councils have gotten together to help them understand the communities and show them how it isn't always what

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they think it is.

- We live on a fault line (less than a mile) we all need to be prepared. One container at the center for Pearblossom Emergency Aid and Response (P.E.A.R), with emergency supplies and four (4) more to be filled. Teamed up with Co-Preparedness to assist in adding emergency supplies. Focus on disasters. Disasters pull us together. With the Bobcat fire everyone came together and we were able to push out supplies starting on the second day with water, masks, shovels, etc. First time P.E.A.R. engaged.
- If you don't want to worry about the highway, yards, crime, etc. come out and help the town be prepared. If we have an earthquake/disaster there are about 400 kids at the school that will need us. Tom, Victor, Sherece, Wendy, Scott, council members, thank you for all your help.
- When you go to the ARTC and/or other Town Council meetings there aren't many people most of the time. Everyone's opinion is important. If you aren't there it is harder to have a voice.
- What's happening in Pearblossom? What I see is the county is overwhelmed; Charles Bostick is here to help us. We need to get the county to understand how the rural culture needs to be preserved. Blanket policies often are put in place and they start developing out here and it is up to us to keep it rural. Use your voices, go to your councils and speak up to help shape your community.
- Speaking on social media isn't going to get your voice heard by the right people/organizations.
- Let's care about our land and care about each other. If we don't step up our area will not even closely resemble what we have due to development.
- Homeless is exploding in our areas, getting pushed out from cities.
- Join a committee to address one topic, doesn't have to be a huge project.
- In conclusion: Wanted to take a second to realize what is happening in our county, realize what is happening in our state, and what is happening in our town. Asking everyone in attendance, maybe it isn't you, but maybe you know

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	someone that might want to become involved. Love you all and love our town.	
8. Upcoming Events	 Ducktoberfest 50th Annual –10/05/2025 – expects to see all – Need volunteers, judges, announcers, etc. Pearblossom Rural Town Council Elections – 11/19/2025 – 1 open seat and 3 up for election/re-election. Need people to step up. If you don't want to be a council person, join one of the sub-committees to help the community. 	
9. Community	What is Pearblossom Mean to You?	
Input	Charles Bostwick:	
	 Dump Days and Vouchers – come by their office and show proof of residency. Two (2) vouchers can bring a half ton of trash to either the Lancaster or Palmdale location they don't expire until June 30th. 42455 10th Street West, Suite 104, open 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Report property violations, illegal activity, etc. to Chuck B. directly. 	
	Pearblossom Park has a very important meeting scheduled 09/30/2025 from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. They need our feedback on	
	what we want at our park. Need to show up decisions will be made without community input.	
10. NEXT MEETING	10/15/2025	
11. Adjournment	8:59 p.m.	

Minutes Prepared By: <Signature on File>
Devin Lockhart

Date: September 24, 2025

Approved By: <Signature on File>

Date: TBD

Christopher Minsal