

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
April 18, 2017

"For all items NOT on the agenda"

(Each Speaker Limited to 3 Minutes)

Voluntary Sign-In Sheet

1. ✓ Charles L. Ciancio
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Date: 4/16/17

To: Everyone

Subject: Real World

I come to realize even my own family and many others think I am nuts since my head surgery. As a 73 year old, I see a lot of B.S. being thrown around, and in my corner of the world, I have learned and retain a lot that should not be ignored. As Humboldt State College graduate, Mrs Grigsby in speech class taught me to get to the point; so, as Mrs, Grigby instructed, here is some of what I have learned.

In my corner of the world, I see real world realities getting in the way. Being a field experienced foresters, I know how to grow a tree, what many species and humans need, and with all the dead trees, I see fire as unavoidable. As a thinker presenting thoughts to Humboldt County supervisors, and being hit on the head a few times, I learned life is not fair and balanced for everything.

If you do not agree with what I have learned, phooey on you (copies of my thoughts are available on the handout table). I have a lot more. If you do not have good health, you have nothing. Using hi-tech has some rewards while in other ways is destructive. Diplomacy works better when the sword is sharp. Being a working stiff and seeing especially rural minority voters not given a fair shake, rural areas and the world are a mess. Being citified, skeptical Trump and other well-off supporters will do the right thing. Media, preservationists, protectionists, lousy PR by timber industry, well-off folks, politicians (who talk too much), legalese (that is all over the place), and Fourth Branch of Government (regulators) put-out thoughts dividing this country. Been on many juries including the Grand Jury and taught in many ways including college. Participated with organized and unorganized groups. As a small timber owner who has harvested once under a regular state harvest permit, harvested twice under an non-industrial harvest permit, grown bigger trees than when I bought the property, and is currently feeling the way through all the California Department of Forestry agency requirements to harvest a few trees, learned the real world is not for the faint of heart in California. Finding science fiction providing a lot of truths and having media and many others trying to make what Trump said as a candidate different than what he is doing as President, I see him being sly as a fox and listening to his advisors. Including revolution and World War III, I think many older folks, Ayn Rand, and my dad are right in what they see coming, and I am having trouble believing anything anymore.

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