

Midcoast Community Council

An elected Municipal Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors

Serving 12,000 coastal residents

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Approved Minutes: Meeting on September 14, 2011

Call to Order. 7:38

Council member self-introductions / Determination of quorum

Present: Bob, Deborah, Len, Bill, Leonard, David, Neil (Arrived at 8:30pm)

1. Board of Supervisors Report 7:39

Nicholas reported on:

- Letter from LAFCo Exec Dir in response to MCC letter to BoS requesting update of Fiscal Study.
- Arata farms (hay maze) permit extended to the end of this year.
- Redistricting

- Reports from other officials present

2. Community Forum (see note on last page) 7:40

- Speaker slips available for those who wish to speak.

3. Consent Agenda 7:50

a. Minutes

August 24, 2011 Meeting

Bill moved approval of item 3a. Bill/David 6-0.

3b removed from Consent to Regular Agenda

b. Letter of Commendation and Support to Paul Perkovic 7:51

After reading and presentation of the Resolution, Paul received a standing ovation. This item was tabled to later in the meeting when Neil would be present for vote.

4. Regular Agenda – The Council may take action on any of the following items:

- a. Fire Safety Concerns for Residential Properties Bordering Open Spaces in the Midcoast (Bill Kehoe) 8:00

Community issues with POST, CUSD & Others regarding combustible debris in the defensible spaces bordering residential neighborhoods.

Community member Brady Logan of Montara gave a presentation regarding fire safety issues. CalFire Chief Ferreira described the structure of Coastside Fire contracting with CalFire, and facilities, State Responsibility Area (SRA) is any watershed land so it excludes anything flat, jurisdictions and overlapping responsibility. The buck stops at Chief Ferreira. Cell: 831-254-1700? SRA can't be on federal land, so when RcDT moves to GGNRA it will become FRA. CalFire will still be the responder. PRC 4291 notices. Open lands are not subject to 4291. Roger Wong from NPS spoke about Fire Safe, grants, etc. Paul Ringgold from POST spoke, mentioned that Jeff Powers is the local point of contact re: fire safety on POST lands. Chief Sampson spoke about vegetation management. POST spent \$60K on permits, \$200K on clearing costs for a 15 acre project. Nancy Horner, planning division chief from GGNRA. Still in home stretch on the acquisition. Just launched 60 day public review of management plan. Review period ends November 9. Jim Tjogas from CUSD spoke about their work on school district land.

Community member Lisa Ketchum spoke as the president of the Pillar Ridge Homeowners Association regarding a firebreak area next to Pillar Ridge which needs annual maintenance.

Oscar Braun of the Half Moon Bay Coastside Federation (?) spoke opposing the land transfer.

Kathryn Slater-Carter spoke about the potential downsides (landslides, etc) of simply removing all eucalyptus without a plan to replace them.

MCC Action: It was agreed that no Council action is required.

Neil arrived approximately 9:00 pm. At the conclusion of item 4a, tabled item 3b was resumed. Leonard moved to approve the Resolution presented to Paul Perkovic earlier. LDW/DV 7-0.

b. MCC Status: priorities and projects. (Len Erickson) 9:37.

Len summarized the MCC's transition to Electronic Media. A brief discussion of Review of letter from the chair concerning action priorities, long range plans, and MCC / community process and communication.

c. Response from County on Items (Len Erickson) 9:50

- Highway 1 / Transportation Management – Steve Monowitz - skipped.
- Fiscal Study – Martha Poyatos.

Len summarized response letter from Martha re MCC's letter.

Kathryn Slater-Carter spoke regarding community opposition to annexation/incorporation/consolidation.

Council discussion followed.

Pending a letter from Carole and Don, MCC may refine our data request. Neil and David will collaborate.

- CCAG – Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee – D. Horsley/M. Grocutt

Awaiting response from C/CAG.

d. MCC Committees / Citizen Committees (Bill Kehoe / Len Erickson)

With regard to Item 2 on page 3 of the agenda: Assess the views of the council regarding:

- What role should the Community/MCC play in determining the membership of action committee's of county departments or steering committees to advise on county direction on key issues.

Semi-brief comments by each Council member regarding committee membership and structure.

Elizabeth Vespremi spoke about something regarding P&Z and committees. Someone else might need to fix up this item.]

{Deborah left the meeting at 10:48 pm.}

- What is the selection process for committees

Develop Action Plan for a Position Paper

Skipped due to time.

5. Council Activity

Skipped.

a. Correspondence Received

b. Meetings Attended

6. Committee Reports and Continuing Business

skipped

a. Variances

7. Future Agendas (see Page 2 for additional topics) 10:49

- Candidates Forum – set for October 12.
- MCC 20th Anniversary – proposed for Nov. 9 meeting (Len, Deborah)
- Harbor District – Perched Beach Project – Oct 3.

8. Adjournment 10:52.