

DRAFT MINUTES OF MCC MEETING OF 6/14/00

Meeting convened at 7:43 PM.

In attendance: Vice Chair Joe Gore, Councilmembers Chuck Kozak and Ric Lohman, and Chair April Vargas. Councilmember Paul Perkovic arrived later. Councilmembers Sara Bassler and Laura Stein were absent.

Public Comment

John Plock of El Granada asked that Item 1 of the Consent Agenda be removed and heard as part of the regular agenda. He also mentioned that the application for the stoplight at Coronado and Highway 1 had been appealed to the Board of Supervisors.

Jerry Laster of El Granada explained that there was confusion in his neighborhood concerning the voting process on the Navarra/Escalonia street improvement project, and would like the Council's help in getting the County to extend the deadline so that further education could take place.

Joe Caruso, Coastal Liaison from Supervisor's Rich Gordon Office, said that he would be meeting with Neil Cullen from Public Works to talk about that situation. Councilmember April Vargas said that she knows, from her involvement with the Montara street improvements, first-hand the amount of work involved.

Councilmember Joe Gore referred to the discussion from the last MCC meeting on airport noise, which he had missed, and asked that anyone wanting to discuss the subject call him at 726-1550.

Councilmember April Vargas announced the celebration for the late Kit Dove on 6/17/00, thanked County Manager John Maltbie for his response to the Council's letter regarding the new head of Environmental Services, noted that the Final EIR for the new County Trails Plan would be heard before the Parks & Recreation Commission at 2:30 PM on July 6th in the Redwood City Council Chambers (interested parties should contact Sam Herzberg at 363-1823), and that the Request for Proposals had gone out for the Master Plan for Community Parks in the MidCoast area - those interested should contact Gary Lockman at 363-1881.

Councilmember Joe Gore read various announcement from the Sheriff's Department, including a warning about how checks were being forged in the area (573-2857 for more info), that there would be a Child Seat Safety Inspection from 10 AM to 2 PM at the Pillar Point Parking Lot on September 9th, a warning about the increased threat of theft and vandalism in the beach parking lots during the summer, and the note that cell phone users who wish to make an emergency call should call the Sheriff's dispatch desk directly at 363-4911 for faster response time. Regular phones should still use 911.

Minutes - adopted as presented with the word "tough" corrected to "touch" in the references to "touch & go's". Moved by Lohman, seconded Kozak. Motion passed 4-0.

Treasurer Report - \$491.93 in the Council's own account.

Parks & Recreation Committee - Committee Chair Paul Perkovic had not yet arrived, so other councilmembers filled in. At last meeting, made recommendation on County RCD Board candidates. Next

meeting is July 10th. Informational note about Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District meetings for public review of Draft Master Plan and Notice of Preparation for Coastal Annexation.

Planning & Zoning Committee - Committee Chair Chuck Kozak reported on various activities the committee had been involved with:

- Application organizing and filing at meeting of 5/31/00, with thanks to committee members Chris Michelson, Kathryn Slater-Carter, Karen Wilson and Councilmembers Ric Lohman and April Vargas for helping out.
- A report on the June 7th meeting and the applications reviewed, as well as the committee's recommendation on the RCD appointment
- Upcoming items for the June 21st meeting
- Notice that the "inn at the Bay" Hotel proposal for the El Granada waterfront will be reviewed at the July 5th meeting.
- Report on the Moss Beach Highlands project, noting that it will be heard by the Board of Supervisors on July 11th
- Report on the MidCoast Zoning Ordinance, noting that it will be heard by the Planning Commission on June 28th
- Discussion of an exchange with SMCo Planning Administrator Terry Burnes about the need for discretionary comment ability from P&Z,
- Notice of the visual impact issues concerning the proposed house addition and remodel at Highway 1 and 12th St.

Board of Supervisor's Report

Joe Caruso, Legislative Aide and Coastal Liaison from Supervisor's Rich Gordon Office, reported that:

- Bank Statements on the MCC County account were forthcoming
- Supervisor Gordon was busy meeting with each of the County departments in preparation for the annual budget hearings
- He would like copies of any correspondence with Planning Administrator Terry Burnes
- Recommends the adoption of Robert's Rules of Order in the later agenda item discussion of meeting protocol
- That he will check on the story poles for the Moss Beach Highlands proposal
- That the County does not have any set guidelines for the MCC or any other advisory council.

Consent Agenda

Adopted with Consent Item 1 removed to the regular agenda as item #3 as requested by Community member John Plock. Moved by Perkovic, seconded Kozak. Motion passed 5-0.

Regular Agenda

Item #1 - 8:30 PM - Presentation by the San Mateo County Sheriff's Department outlining the Coastside Volunteer Program.

Sheriff's Deputy Lt. John Quinlen gave a presentation on the San Mateo County Sheriff's Volunteer program, which currently has 210 active volunteers, and now is becoming active on the coast. Volunteers would help with emergency situations in ways compatible with their ability, working at local festivals, fingerprinting applicants, office assistance, community outreach, saddle and equipment branding, etc.

Those interested should contact Coastside Volunteer Coordinator LeRoy Derheim at (650) 599-1543 or (650)

573-2801. Those who may be qualified and interested in volunteering for the Search & Rescue team should contact Officer Shigley at (650) 363-4458.

Subsequent discussion by the council included how to get the word out, information on the Volunteer Air Patrol Squad that Councilmember Joe Gore is involved with, and the explorer programs for young people.

Councilmember Kozak moved that the Council endorse the program, and write a letter to local and Bay Area newspapers supporting and encouraging participation in the program. Seconded by Councilmember Lohman. Motion passed 5-0 with none abstaining.

Item #2 - 9:00 PM - Discussion and possible recommendation to the Board of Supervisors regarding the Council's choice for a candidate or candidates to fill the existing vacancy on the Resource Conservation District.

Supervisor Gordon had asked the Council to consider the candidates for the RCD Board position, and forward a recommendation. The candidates were Oscar Braun, Pete Congdon, Toni Danzig, Chris Larson, David Mier, and Steve Nichols. Both the Parks & Recreation and Planning & Zoning committees had considered the applications, and forwarded identical recommendations of either Chris Larson of San Gregorio or Toni Danzig of Pescadero.

Councilmember Lohman made the motion that the Council send Supervisor Gordon a recommendation of either Chris Larson or Toni Danzig. Seconded by Councilmember Kozak. Motion passed 5-0 with none abstaining.

Councilmember Perkovic announced that the new house size zoning regulations for the community of Ladera had been heard and approved by the Planning Commission earlier that day.

Item 3 - 9:10 PM - Recommendation for the Council to draft a letter to Gov. Davis in support of the Devil's Slide Tunnel project being chosen as one of six projects for the design sequencing building method.

El Granada resident John Plock presented letters from 1999 from then-Environmental Services Director Paul Koenig, Jack Liebster of the Coastal Commission, and others pointing out that the original plan for the Devil's Slide Tunnel had impacts on wetlands area and was not in conformance with the Local Coastal Plan.

Councilmember Vargas presented notes from the 4/27/2000 Tunnel coordination meeting regarding the project, design sequencing, and how the LCP and wetlands issues were being handled.

Councilmember Kozak moved that the Council send the letter as outlined, with the condition that it is assumed that the final project would be in compliance with the LCP. Councilmember Lohman seconded. Motion passed 4-0 with Councilmember Gore abstaining.

Item 4 - 9:30 PM - Discussion of Council meeting operations with the goal of improving notification procedures, streamlining meetings, and establishing guidelines for committee reports and minority opinions to be presented to the Board of Supervisors.

Councilmember Vargas presented notes that outlined various ideas to accomplish the goal stated. The ideas and others from the council and audience included: - setting a firm start time of 7:30 - maybe announcements

beforehand at 7:15 - a meeting curfew to be extended by vote - time allocated for items more obvious on agenda - responsibility of agenda item sponsors, including notification, arranging speakers, compiling and distributing materials, leading discussions and proposing actions/direction of outcome - getting background materials to councilmembers by Friday before meeting - a form for sponsorship responsibility - the issuing of letters from individual councilmembers - representation of a minority view from the council - method of allowing public input on agenda item discussions - the lack of staff to provide council with guidance on issues.

After further discussion, Councilmember Vargas made the motion that she assemble the comments and present at the next meeting on June 28. Seconded by Councilmember Kozak. Motion passed 5-0.

Item 5 - 10:15 PM - Update on continuing Council projects.

No updates were presented - Councilmember Gore questioned whether this an appropriate agenda item at this time. No action taken.

Future Agenda Items:

The Council chose three items for the 6/28/00 meeting:

- On the Consent Agenda, presentation of the recommendations on meeting streamlining, representation of minority opinion and agenda item sponsorship,
- A presentation from the Planning & Zoning Committee to expedite timely response to the County on planning projects through some level of discretionary comment from the Chair or other designated member, sponsored by Councilmember Kozak, and
- An item on the discussion of affordable housing for the MidCoast, also sponsored by Councilmember Kozak.

Other items suggested for future agendas:

- Utility Undergrounding
- Moss Beach Highlands project
- HMB Library Task Force presentation on funding Joint Powers Agreement
- Issue of the combining of the 4th and 5th grades and need for another teacher.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 PM by unanimous vote.