



Westport Municipal Advisory Council

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Summary Minutes—March 6, 2012

The WMAC Board of Directors convened for a meeting on March 6, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Westport Community Church in Westport with the following Directors Present: Eyerly, Scott, Vidaver, Grigg, and Director Van Bueren presiding.

1) ROLL CALL

Roll call was conducted with directors Eyerly, Grigg, Vidaver, alternate Scott, and Van Bueren present. Director Knapp was absent.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Discussion – Item 2 of the December 6, 2011 minutes was changed to reflect that at that meeting the board had approved the minutes of October 4, 2011 instead of Sept. 6, 2011.

Public Comment: None

Motion: Upon motion by Director Eyerly, seconded by Director Grigg, the minutes of the December 6, 2011 were approved with item 2 changed as noted in the discussion.

Discussion of Motion: None

Action: Motion approved with Director Scott abstaining.

3) Public Expression – (Discussion Only) – Ocean Meadow residents Ginny Michel and Steve Walker told the board that a motocross track had been constructed at 32601 N. Highway 1. They said that the noise, dust, and safety issues (primarily because of the proximity to the highway) were a concern to most of the permanent residents of Ocean Meadows. The WMAC board agreed to add this issue to the agenda for the next monthly meeting.

4) New Business – No New Business

5) Old Business – Discussion and possible actions

a) Rockport Signage Update – Grigg– Caltrans has agreed to add a “No Services” sign to the Rockport sign that is approximately one half mile north of Westport. The sign will be completed by May 2012.

b) State Beach Closure Update – Van Bueren – There are two pieces of legislation that have been introduced to help our state park system. Assembly Bill 1589 introduced by Assemblyman Chesboro that has several key provisions that would provide funding for parks and would cap the number of parks that could be closed without legislative approval. Senate Bill 1078 introduced by Senator Noreen Evans. The bill would create a plan to develop long-term funding for all California state parks. The Westport economy would be impacted by closure of the local parks possibly losing their store, post office and the only gas service between Cleone and Leggett.

Motion: Director Vidaver made a motion to have WMAC write a letter to Chesboro and Evans to show support for their bills. Director Eyerly seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously. Director Eyerly will draft a letter to be circulated for approval by the board.

c) Timber Harvest THP 1-10-101MEN (Denoyer) – Van Bueren – A revised plan was submitted following WMAC comments issued December 7, 2011. It still has ground based yarding and minimal stocking levels of trees that could both lead to erosion. No water analysis report was included. There is still potential for wet weather operation and there are road wear and road traffic issues. The public comment period will be open until March 16.

Motion: Director Eyerly made a motion that WMAC submit a comment letter to the Forest Practice Program Manager to express the concerns of the local citizens. Director Scott seconded the motion and The motion was approved unanimously. The letter will be circulated to board members for approval.

d) Review of 2011 WMAC Activity – Scott – Director Scott noted that since the WMAC is approved by the Board of Supervisors that the board should submit a summary of their activity for 2011. Director Eyerly agreed to draft a short summary of activity for 2011 and circulate the summary to all directors for approval. When approved the summary will be sent to the BOS.

6) Other business/announcements – Discussion Only

Director Van Bueren noted that Dan Gjerde (MCOG) will lead a field trip to Abalobadiah on April 2. He will be there at noon (prior to a 1:30 MCOG meeting in Ft. Bragg.)

7) Set Preliminary Agenda for next meeting

The next meeting will be held on April 3, 2012. The preliminary agenda for the meeting:

- 1) Motocross Track near Ocean Meadows Subdivision - Eyerly
- 2) County Zoning for intentional committees - Vidivar

8) Adjournment

Chairman Van Bueren adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:15 P.M.

Thad Van Bueren, Chair

ATTEST:

Chuck Eyerly, Secretary