

## Midcoast Community Council

An elected Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors representing Montara, Moss Beach, El Granada, Princeton, and Miramar

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## *Minutes for Meeting of May 24, 2023*

### Call to Order (7:05pm)

- This meeting was conducted as a hybrid teleconference meeting. The physical location for the in person portion was located at the Granada Service District, 510 Alhambra, 3rd floor El Granada CA.
- Council members present:
  - Gregg Dieguez, Chair
  - Claire Toutant, Vice Chair 7:05pm
  - Dan Haggerty, Treasurer
  - Scott Bollinger, Secretary
  - Gus Mattammal
  - Ann Rothman
  - Kimberly Williams

### 1. (7:05 pm) Regular Agenda

#### A. New Moss Beach Fire Station:

**Gary Burke**, Board President, Coastside Fire Protection District (CFPD), presented the plan for development of the new Fire station in Moss Beach. He reported that the three stations on the Midcoast respond to approximately 3500 calls/year. The CFPD is funded by property taxes and a \$9 million dollar contract with CalFire. There is \$15 million in total reserves. There are over 20 volunteers associated with the CFPD.

The new station will be 11,000 sq ft. The plan is in early stages of development and he emphasized that location of the station is critical to enable quick response. A temporary location will be needed while the new station is under construction. The site plan requires soil removal and construction of retaining walls around the station. Trucks will access the station by entering the lot from the left, to enter the building from the back, and pull through to exit from the front. New fire engines are larger than the old ones and won't fit in the current fire station. A construction contract will be in place in 2024 and completion is expected in 2025. Public meetings will be held for community comment.

Council comments:

- Claire Toutant raised the possibility of integrating the new fire station with development on a parcel owned by the Teacher's Union.
- Ann Rothman voiced concerns regarding increased noise due to proximity of the station to neighboring houses, diesel exhaust, and lighting.
- Gus Mattamal noted the US Department of Energy's diesel guidelines for lowering emissions.
- Dan Haggerty expressed concern about outdoor lighting referencing the issues with the El Granada fire station.
- Kimberly Williams encouraged the Fire District and the architect to address community concerns about the lighting and other issues in the planning phase before submitting it to the County.

**Action Item:** *The council may consider writing a letter to the CFPD to register concerns.*

**B. Fentanyl Crisis:**

**Stella Chau, Todd Henderson, Mary Taylor Fullerton and Mark Ross** gave a presentation on the opioid/Fentanyl crisis.

Resources mentioned were:

- Integrated Medication Assisted Treatment (IMAT) support line
- Youth Prevention Programming and AOD education
- A presentation to SMC Board of Supervisors will be on May 30th.

Comments:

- Gregg Dieguez asked about wastewater testing. Mark Ross responded that it's a question for Public Health Policy and Planning.
- Harvey Rarback said SAM was in favor of wastewater testing but had no funding.

**2. Board of Supervisors Report:**

**A. (9:05) Harvey Rarback** of Half Moon Bay City Council, reported the following:

1. HMB wants the San Mateo County Sheriff to fund Drug testing at the SAM plant.
2. The Farm Workers Summit:
  - a. Promote laws to help farm workers.
  - b. Build Farm Worker housing.
3. Amerigas will no longer keep the propane storage plant located near the HMB Airport
4. June 10th 12-4pm is the Coastsides Emergency Preparedness Day.

**C. (9:15) Mike O'Neil** representing Supervisor Mueller:

1. Mike is working on the list of action items developed during the retreat.

2. There are still many road closures in San Mateo County. Rt 84 is scheduled to remain closed until October.
3. A walk-through was conducted in Montara to assess storm water damage.

**D. Carlisle Ann Young** of Montara Water and Sanitary District:

Final tree chipping day is June 2nd.  
Register on the Resource Conservation District website.

**3. Public Comment:**

**Steve Kikuchi** on behalf of Senior Coastsiders provided an update:

- Senior Coastsiders received \$114,000 in donations through Coastside Gives.
- **Home Repair Day** is June 2nd. Seniors that qualify will receive free home repairs.
- Senior Coastsiders now has a van to pick up seniors for meals, programs, etc. They are recruiting for a driver.

**4. (9:20pm) Consent Agenda**

The minutes of the May 10, 2023 MCC meeting were approved 7/0.

**5. Council Activity:**

- **Gregg Dieguez** announced the MCC Booth at Coastside Emergency Preparedness Day on June 10, 2023. The booth will have a suggestion box, information about fentanyl, and the community fiber network report. Gregg, Leo Gomez, and Jill Grant will be at the table. Scott and Gus may be there.
- **Gus Mattammal** reported on possible methods of outreach to the community including an internet poll survey, developing an outreach calendar of events/opportunities the MCC might attend to engage in outreach, and using Civic Bell. Gus also offered to raise awareness of the MCC as he walks around to talk with people one-on-one.

**6. Newsletter assignments and schedule:**

Claire Toutant-School  
Ann Rothman-Fire Station  
Gregg Dieguez- Community Fiber Network, and Stormwater  
Scott Bollinger-New Multi-Use Trail  
Gus Mattammal - Editor  
Kimberly Williams- Backup Editor if needed  
Gregg Dieguez - Publication, Translation, Distribution

**Adjournment (9:45pm)**

Scott Bollinger Moved, Gregg Dieguez 2<sup>nd</sup>, Passed 7-0