## **Midcoast Community Council**

An elected Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors representing Montara, Moss Beach, El Granada, Princeton, and Miramar PO Box 248, Moss Beach, CA 94038 Claire Toutant, Chair Gregg Dieguez, Vice Chair Michelle Weil, Treasurer Len Erickson, Secretary Dave Olson, Jill Grant Dan Haggerty

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# Approved Minutes for February 9, 2022

Call to Order (8:34am)

6 Council Members present (Dan Haggerty absent). This meeting was conducted virtually in compliance with State and County COVID-related orders.

#### 1. Board of Supervisors' Report and Reports from Other Public Officials<<Link>

Lena Silberman: general COVID Masking requirements drop on Feb. 15. Virus infection rate has dropped. County is doing a survey of local residents commute patterns.

Harvey Rarback (HMB City Council): council has passed the first reading of requirements for all electric in new home construction. Review of district requirements continue.

- Cyd Young: inquired about housing for low income. Harvey cited work at two sites to develop housing opportunities. Working with site at Stone Pine and contracted with a consultant to review opportunities
- Don Horsley commented on work by county together with HMB for an opportunity at Wave Crest

Catherine Slater-Carter (Montara Water and Sanitary District): final decision has been issued in lawsuit between HMB and Midcoast service districts (MWSD, GCSD). Non-domestic waste source will be assessed by SAM.

- Cyd asked for the ruling to be posted. Expressed concern about storm water overflow. Catherine stated that HMB is using more than their storage capacity.
- Gregg Dieguez asked when the matter will be taken up by HMB.
- Harvey said HMB has not taken action yet but he is following the matter closely.

#### 2. Public Comment and Announcements <a><br/>Link></a>

Harold: expressed concern about farmlands on airport property and has concerns whether

produce is tainted. Also concerned about touch and go flights originating at other airports.

Noted concerns at other airports in the Bay Area

Cyd: echoed Harold's concerns.

Krystlyn: announced a Teacher Appreciation event.

Catherine: noted the cancelation of the Dream Machines for another year and hopes it will be re-established. Echoed Harold's concerns.

## 3. Consent Agenda < Link>

a. Approve Minutes for January 12, 2022, Regular Meeting

Motion to approve January 12, 2022, Gregg, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jill, Passed 6-0

b. Approve Minutes for January 26, 2022, Regular Meeting

Olson requested January 26, 2022, pulled and moved to regular agenda

c. Approve Minutes for February 5, 2022 Regular Meeting

## 4. Regular Agenda

## a. Annual Report to the Midcoast - Supervisor Don Horsley <Link>

- Half Moon Bay Airport The county has received complaints about all airports. The FAA has control of airport operations including sound and the county has little impact over airport noise. Don suggested the MCC ask airport management to come to an MCC meeting. The fact that crops are grown at the airport was news to Don. In face of the cancelation of Dream Machines the county will make contributions to charities to make up for the loss of Dream Machines In the future more local technology and staff for flight control may be needed
- Delays in the Multi-Modal Trail have been caused by issues in receiving approvals from Caltrans. These issues have been resolved and the trail should be built this summer. The link to the trail in Half Moon Bay may be delayed.
- Parks and Wildfire: Don noted that the RCD Scoping Project is under way and eucalyptus have been removed from sections of the medians. Don recognizes the community is divided over eucalyptus removal.
- Equity Issues will be the focus of a variety of community efforts. Firearms safety programs will be released soon. The Moss Beach Corridor study is underway. Mental Health Support is underway in a project in Half Moon Bay. The county is looking for clinicians to work with four cities in the County. Minimum Wage targets for farm workers are being set and effort is underway to create a Farm Worker Commission (members are farm workers)

The County is still pushing for Cypress Point to address low-income housing.

#### Questions and Comments <Link>

- Cyd Young raised concerns about the San Mateo County emergency alert system not working on the coastside. Don said it is working and will the CHP Captain to look into the matter. Lena clarified that there is an overhaul of SMC alerts and that it will not be used for traffic issues. Other topics included Lake County not allowing housing development because of poor evacuation planning, Flood Park residents are working to save trees, concerned that Parks Mitigation fees are not providing a community center
- Fran Pollard asked that the county continue to allocate funds for eucalyptus removal, notes that the state has received additional funds, expressed an interest in community centers, (Don commented that the south parcel of Big Wave might be an option.
- Catherine Slater Carter notes that mental health funding is going to cities, but the county areas need help also, concern about affordable housing impacting transportation and has concerns about Cypress point stretching fire department resources and some proposals for Carlos avenue may affect MWSD sewer and water lines

Harold gave additional attention to airport noise and citizen tracking efforts.

Michelle Weil expressed concerns on airport lead levels

## b. Report of Results of Annual First Flush Project <a href="https://www.elink.com"></a> continued <a href="https://www.elink.com">Link</a> continued </a> com</a> continued <a href="https://www.elink.com">Link</a> continued <a href="https://www.elink.com">Link</a> continued <a href="https://www.elink.com">https://www.elink.com</a> continued </a> continued </a>

Nichole Schmidt (RCD Water Quality Coordinator) presented the results of the First Flush for 2022. The First Flush is an annual program which provides information that is important water quality management and a valuable quality report for the public <a href="https://www.elink.com">Link.com</a>.

Council and Public Questions <Link>

Gregg said he would like link to RCD booklet on stormwater runoff. <a></a></a></a>

Cyd said it was an excellent presentation and wanted to know about runoff at Vassar

Michelle wanted to know about copper in the runoff. - Response: discarded metal

Claire asked about the source of coliform bacteria. – Response: some assay tests are run, but it has been difficult to trace.

## c. Proclamation in Recognition of National Poetry Month <<u>Link></u>

Dave Olson introduced Aileen Cassinetto (she/her) the San Mateo County Poet Laureate the MCC has issued a Proclamation <<u>Link></u> in her honor. Aileen accepted the proclamation, spoke about the value of poetry, asked the council to consider having a junior Poet Laureate locally. Aileen read one of her poems for the council.

Claire called for a vote of approval for the Proclamation: Passed (6-0) Dan Haggerty absent

## d. Consideration of January 26 Minutes <a href="https://www.elinkace.com"></a>

Dave highlighted his concerns about the minutes. His concerns included typos, errors in comments on Jill's letter, concerned that comments from the community were not listed, objected to comparison of the two letters. Len had not responded to some comments. Dave confirmed he wanted specific comments and speaker names. Len explained why he compared the letter to highlight key differences. Gregg's commented he was comfortable with the summary provided and supported the effort made to highlight the differences in the letter. (Note: The final version of approved minutes for January 26 has links to key sections of the meeting video).

## 5. Council Activity <a href="https://www.science.com">Link></a>

Gregg summarized his speech to Regional Water Control board.

Gregg spoke with Montara residents about problems with unsigned street intersections Len said that two excellent presentations were made at Fire Safe Meetings and videos will be made available.

## 6. Future Agendas <a href="https://www.elimbergendassection.com"></a>

Feb. 23 – Presentation of Midpeninsula
Feb. 23 – Close out comments on Connect and the Coastside
Dave will present further policies and procedures not covered in the retreat
Michelle wants to present an item on lead levels at the airport

## Adjournment (9:45pm)

Moved: Dave, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gregg, Passed 6-0 (Dan Haggerty absent)