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 December 13, 2023

(7:05pm) Call to Order

This meeting was conducted as a hybrid teleconference meeting. The physical location for the in-person portion was held at the Granada Community Services District office, 510 Avenue Alhambra, 3rd floor, El Granada, CA.

Council members present:

- · Gregg Dieguez, Chair,
- Claire Toutant, Vice Chair
- Dan Haggerty, Treasurer
- Scott Bollinger, Secretary
- Gus Mattammal
- Ann Rothman, Remote Voting
- Kimberly Williams Remote Voting

5 Yes votes to allow Kimberly Williams and Ann Rothman to attend and vote remotely.

1. (7:10pm) Board of Supervisors report and reports from other government officials

Mr. Adam Ely, San Mateo County, Deputy County Executive

Supervisor Mueller and Pine sponsored and had adopted by the BOS the formation of Labor Standards and Enforcement. This agency will make sure that appropriate wages and benefits are being paid. Will be active July 1, 2024.

Supervisor Mueller is concerned by the recent drownings in HMB and is trying to improve beach safety.

Sheriff advisory committee will be in effect July 1, 2024

Questions from Public:

Cid Young, Moss Beach concerned that SMC alert gave road closure but not reopening on Hwy 92.

MCC Questions:

Claire Toutant asked if the new Sheriff's oversight committee will have subpoen power. Mr. Ely said that subpoen power will be maintained by the Board of Supervisors.

Nicholas Calderon, Parks Director

January 31, 2024 7pm zoom meeting Integrated Pesticides Management Forum The entire county is invited to attend. The parks department will explain treatment approaches. Kimberly Williams requested more pesticide data collection. Mr. Calderon replied that the IPM report will be produced annually.

Harvey Rarback, HMB City Council

The city of HMB established an emergency communication system so city, public works, sheriff and fire can have communication without an operating cell tower.

City has approved Phase II of the Climate Adaptation Program. The goal is to reduce greenhouse gasses. Encouragement and outreach is being utilized.

Mr. Rarback and Debbie Ruddock received antisemitic postcards Gus Mattammall sorry to hear of this development.

Public Comment:

Melinda McNaughton requested support for the ASKS letter. She would like to see accountability by creation of an oversight committee.

Barbra Mathewson, Moss Beach asked to pull from consent agenda item 3c Moss Beach Firehouse comments. Lighting needs to be discussed.

Steve Terry, concerned about Fire Station 44. Current comments are inadequate for the scale of the project. He wants the open house public comments to be addressed by the fire station and architect. No public discussion. Unclear lighting plans with 4000 kelvin is unnecessary, unsafe and unhealthy. Would like to see no more than 2700 kelvin used. No light should shine on neighbors. 5 light poles around the periphery at 15 ft height is too tall. Wants to know if 6 sidewalk lights will use ballards. International Dark Sky Association standards should apply.

Carl May, Moss Beach fire station needs further review. Concerned about the county funneling MCC requests to the county.

Jordan Motta, Union 281 Representative for California firefighters. He expressed concern about a letter written by Gregg Dieguez regarding a structural fire on Alamo Street Montara. He felt that the execution of firefighting technique and expertise were in question. Mr. Motta defended the firefighters as best trained with best equipment and highly regarded.

Kimberly Williams asked to pull minutes of November 29th 2023 to fix inaccuracies. Vote to pull November 29th minutes and item 3c Moss Beach firehouse passed 7-0

Regular Agenda

4a. Officer Elections: Results: Gus Mattammall-Chair Gregg Dieguez - Vice Chair Secretary- Ann Rothman Treasurer- Scott Bollinger

4b. **Connie Juarez-Dirol**l, Chief Election Officer for the County, Intergovernmental and public affairs unit came to discuss technical changes with how county committees chain of communication with San Mateo County Board of Supervisors will utilize liaisons. Update of handbook for boards and commissions on county website. This affects how the MCC interacts with the county regarding support or not for proposed legislation in the federal government, state or county. The MCC must express it's position by contacting Supervisor Mueller's liaison who will contact Ms. Juarez-Diroll who will inform the Board of Supervisors. The goal is to coordinate communication with the county rather than direct correspondence with state and federal representatives.

Questions:

Gregg Dieguez got clarification regarding support for middle mile broadband and encouraged to coordinate with Supervisor Mueller.

Claire Toutant asked what if the coast has a different opinion than the Board of Supervisors. She was told that she could express her opinion at the Board of Supervisors meeting as public, not as the MCC.

Scott Bollinger asked if there was anyway to confirm that MCC opinions made it through the chain of command by way of email dates, etc. He was assured that Ms. Juarez-Diroll would inform the Board of Supervisors.

Public Comment:

Carl May, Moss Beach said that verbal assurances from a county official is helpful but how can the community be sure that when the MCC communicates the wishes of the community will it be verbatim or filtered. He mentioned over the years some Supervisors were supportive of the MCC while others were not. Will items that need a timely response be forwarded in time? Coastside needs representation.

Cid Young, Moss Beach confirmed that the MCC should not directly work with the Coastal Commission but go through the county.

Budgets, policies and legislation is covered by the new rules.

Burnett Silveria, El Granda confirmed that the actual resolution before the BOS covers policies and budgets. MCC elected not appointed. Step by step guide is important.

Supervisor Ray Mueller joined the meeting and pulled the agenda item at the BOS meeting to make sure there was clarity of the updated policy. He will meet with the chair of MCC on a biweekly basis. He assured the MCC that the county staff member will work directly with them. Budget proposals are legislative and should use the proper communication procedures. Supervisor Mueller also presented Gregg Dieguez a certificate of appreciation for all of his hard work leading the MCC this year.

4c. Traffic Update Len Ericksen

SR1 multi asset rehabilitation request for CDP submitted to SMC Planning and building for Coastal Development permit.

SR1 Moss Beach Corridor status project initiation document and request for phase 2 funding.

For surfers beach maintenance Len contacted Sheryl Sabian from CalTrans. Armouring being explored. Long term solutions needed.

Cypress Point process continuing 2024 as responses to public comments are due.

GCSD community park planning to submit CDP in early 2024.

Consent agenda pulled, item 3c.

Kimberly Williams said that we should agendize 3c for the next meeting however if comments are due we should weigh in and set expectations before it is too late. She mentioned the huge issue El Granada Fire Station 41 caused the community regarding the lighting.

Mr. Adam Ely said that he would find out in the next few days if the deadline to respond to planning could be extended.

Cid Young said that she attended the public meeting for the proposed new Moss Beach Station 44 and saw Ann and Dan from MCC at the meeting. Inadequate details were given to give comments on, She supports the CFPD.

Steve Terry would like a more in depth review before sending comments. Wants Dark Sky International standards of lighting to be included in any comments.

5. Member Activity

Claire Toutant is the health liaison with age friendly coastside. They are working to bring laboratory services to the coast. She will be hosting age friendly at the next meeting.

Scott is updating minutes.

Gregg apologized for offending the CFPD. He was trying to discuss how sustained flow rate for fire fighting at the hydrants was a potential problem particularly with Cypress Point.

Everyone thanked Gregg. Happy Holidays wishes to all.

Adjourned 10:15pm