



Westport Municipal Advisory Council

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Summary Minutes—June 4, 2013

The WMAC Board of Directors convened for a meeting on June 4, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the Westport Community Church in Westport with the following Directors Present: Eyerly, Scott and Director Van Bueren presiding.

1) ROLL CALL

Roll call was conducted with directors Eyerly, Scott and Van Bueren present.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Public Comment: Jim Havelena asked about Director Scott's input on Blue's Beach being a source of economic benefit to the community. Director Scott noted that the economic benefit was through the use of local facilities, including the store etc.

Motion: Upon motion by Director Eyerly, seconded by Director Scott, the minutes of the May 7, 2013 meeting were approved.

Discussion of Motion: None

Action: Motion approved unanimously.

3) Public Expression – (Discussion Only) – The question was asked about the cones that Caltrans had placed by the cemetery. Gary Quentin responded that he had talked to a Caltrans worker who said the cones marked the spot where a guardrail would be installed.

4) New Business – Discussion and Possible Action

No new business on the Agenda.

5) Old Business – Discussion and possible action

a) Ten Mile Dune Rehab Update – Director Van Bueren noted that there was a CDP (Coastal Development Permit) meeting scheduled for June 11 at 10:00 AM at Veterans Hall in Ft. Bragg. He noted that he had requested the County Staff report on the permit and would forward the report to WMAC members when he received it (Note – the County Staff Report was received on Wednesday morning June 5). After discussion the following motion was made:

Motion – If the decision made by the CPA at the June 11 meeting is to proceed with the permit without satisfactorily addressing the issues the WMAC has identified in their correspondence that the WMAC would seek a fee waiver for the Board of Supervisors Appeal Process. Motion by Director Scott seconded by Director Eyerly and unanimously approved.

b) Branscomb Road Herbicide use – Director Van Bueren noted that Director Vidaver had checked and that there was no herbicide spraying on Branscomb Road.

c) Passing Opportunities on Route 1 – Director Scott said there was no update on the status of adding a passing opportunity on Highway 1, but that Caltrans was still looking at possible opportunities and he would have an update as soon as possible.

6) Other business/announcements – Discussion Only

a) Director Van Bueren noted that the current procedure of the WMAC is that when there is a topic that invites public discussion that it is left to him to call on anyone who has raised their hand and the meeting could easily get out of hand. He suggested that we should think of a better way. For example if someone wants to speak they would fill out a sign-in card and be allowed to speak for three minutes. There was also a short discussion regarding the possibility of recording the meetings.

b) Director Van Bueren informed the WMAC that a copy of a petition to the Board of Supervisors that called for Director Vidaver to be replaced on the WMAC was given to him just prior to last night's meeting. Director Van Bueren had not yet reviewed the petition, but did read the cover letter to the WMAC. Because the petition was addressed to the BOS, no action was taken by the WMAC and Director Van Buren was asked to contact Supervisor Gjerde to get feedback on how the BOS would handle such a matter.

7) Set Preliminary Agenda for next meeting

The next meeting will be held on July 2, 2013. The preliminary agenda for that meeting is as follows:

1. Ten Mile Dune Rehab Update (Van Bueren)

8) Adjournment

Chairman Van Bueren adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:05 P.M.

Thad Van Bueren, Chair

ATTEST:

Chuck Eyerly, Secretary