



Westport Municipal Advisory Council

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Summary Minutes – September 3, 2013

- 1) Roll Call – Meeting was called to order by Chairman Van Bueren at 7:00 PM. Directors Grigg, Knapp, Michel, Van Bueren and Alternate Scott were present. Director Vidaver's resignation was announced, with Scott filling in as a voting member.
- 2) Appoint Secretary - Director Knapp was appointed Secretary, with Director Grigg taking over his prior position as Treasurer.
- 3) Approval of August 6th minutes – Motion by acting Director Scott, second by Director Grigg, unanimous approval.
- 4) Public Expression – Stan Anderson, President of Mendocino Area Parks Association, gave a brief report on how MAPA working with local volunteers at Standish Hickey State Park has formed a successful partnership with California Dept of Parks and Recreation. There is now a proven, tested contract that can be used as a template for other groups trying to partner with CDPH to keep a park open. His information suggests that Westport-Union Landing State Beach may be slated for closure next year. Although a substantial amount of money was “found” during audits of CDPH last year, there is still a substantial short fall in operating funds for Mendocino County parks. Stan offered MAPA's assistance to any local Westport group that may wish to undertake a partnership with CDPH to operate Westport-Union Landing. WMAC will pass this information to the Westport Village Society.
- 5) Director Knapp gave a brief summary of the results of the protest vote related to the annexation of the southern most 1/3 of the Westport Volunteer Fire Departments response area. LAFCo Directors voted to accept without comment the findings of the Canvass Committee appointed to review the protest ballots. The final result was that the area was annexed into the Fort Bragg Rural Fire District and is no longer part of the WVFD response area.
- 6) Ten Mile Dune Rehabilitation Project Appeal – Director Van Bueren provide a brief summary of the BOS meeting that resulted in the appeal being denied, but new provisions were added to the permit granted to CDPH. Given the BOS position, WMAC will no longer be actively engaged in this issue. The information leading up to the BOS meeting, including the revised permit, will be posted on the WMAC Web Site. Members of the public attending the WMAC meeting indicated there would be a citizen based appeal to the California Coastal Commission.
- 7) Announcements / Correspondence – None
- 8) Preliminary Agenda for the October 1st WMAC meeting – Alternate Scott will report on his ongoing effort to work with CalTrans to identify and implement pull-outs and passing opportunities on Highway 1 between Westport and Fort Bragg. The dialog got restarted last July.
- 9) Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned a 7:50 PM

Thad Van Bueren, Chair

ATTEST: _____
Bill Knapp, Secretary