

MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS

MINUTES

Wednesday, April 26, 2006

Hosted by the Town of Ross

Marin Art and Garden Center

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Belvedere: Bruce Sams

Corte Madera: Melissa Gill, John Dupar, Jin Yang

Fairfax: Susan Brandborg, Mary Ann Maggiore, Lew Tremaine, David Weinsoff

Larkspur: Larry Chu

Mill Valley: Christopher Raker, Shawn Marshall

Novato: Jim Leland, Carole Dillon-Knutson, Jean Macleamy

Ross: Rick Strauss, Diane Durst, Tom Byrnes, Jeanne Barr

San Anselmo: Barbara Thornton, Ian Roth, Ted Freeman

San Rafael: Al Boro, Paul Cohen, Cyr Miller, Barbara Heller, Gary Phillips

Sausalito: Paul Albritton, Dennis Scremin

Tiburon: Alice Fredericks, Jeff Slavitz

Also present were City and Town Managers Gary Broad, Ross, Linda Kelly, Fairfax, Dana Whitson, Sausalito, Debra Stutsman, San Anselmo, and Interim City Managers Anne Montgomery, Mill Valley, Ken Nordhoff, San Rafael, and Heidi Bigall, Tiburon.

CALL TO ORDER: President Melissa Gill called the business meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Welcome and Introduction of Guests:

Mayor Rick Strauss welcomed everyone to Ross and introduced councilmembers and the following staff members: Gary Broad, Hadden Roth, Barry Heying, Mel Jarjoura, and Linda Lopez.

Other Guests: Supervisor Charles McGlashan, Margaret Jones, Perry Newman and Patsy White of League of Women Voters, Klif Knowles, Sue Peterson and Terry Hennessey of Marin Builders Assn., Janet McBride of ABAG, Kathleen Foote and Annette Rose of Marin Environmental Housing Collaborative, Jim Wood of Marin Magazine, and Paul Helliker of MMWD.

Approval of Minutes: March 22, 2006.

Moved and seconded to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Nominations and Appointments to Committees

- a. Appointment: LAFCO Delegate (four year term 5/06-5/10). Incumbent Jeff Slavitz seeks reappointment. - President Melissa Gill asked if there were any further nominations for the appointment.

Moved and seconded to appoint Jeff Slavitz to another 4 year term to LAFCO. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

- c. Marin Telecommunications Agency - Dan Hillmer stated that although the outcome of changes in Federal law is uncertain at this time, Comcast has agreed to adhere to the terms of the final agreement. The Board has until the end of May to sign the agreement, at which time the deal will be withdrawn.
- b. Joint Oversight Committee - Larry Chu, Chair, stated that the committee oversees the various functional and fiduciary aspects of all JPA's in Marin County. Until now Supervisor Adams' administrative assistant has served as staff support for the committee, preparing agendas and minutes and providing clerical assistance. He is no longer available and the committee will be requesting that MCCMC pay to hire an

administrative assistant. This would increase annual MCCMC dues by \$150 per city. The issue will be agendaized for action at the May meeting.

- c. Transportation Authority of Marin - Alice Fredericks gave an update on the gap closure project, noting the central San Rafael portion is expected to be completed by December, 2008. SMART has reviewed the Linden Lane access per their requirements,
- d. Legislative Committee - Alice Fredericks noted the Committee supports Carole Migden's bill to return excess ERAF funds to cities. They also support Senator Kehoe's Senate Bill 1431 which would allow cities to enter into design build contracts for projects over \$2.5 million. The Committee supports AB2444 which would authorize the Congestion Management Agencies of the 9 Bay Area counties to impose a \$5 motor vehicle mitigation fee on registered vehicles. This money would go towards mitigating impacts of motor vehicles on the environment.
- e. Countywide Planning - Supervisor Charles McGlashan reported at the May TAM meeting it will be proposed that they resurrect the old Countywide Planning Agency, which was merged into the Transportation Authority in 1994. A draft statement of purpose is being developed; please email Supervisor McGlashan with your comments and suggestions. The committee would provide a forum for elected officials to discuss housing, land use, sustainability, and cumulative impacts of projects and issues affecting all of Marin County. They would develop model ordinances and review countywide decisions in land use and housing. Called the "City-County Planning Committee", it would meet three times a year, and provide an annual report to the TAM Board.

Paul Cohen cautioned that this may be a committee in search of a mission. He felt the goals could be achieved through periodic meetings of elected officials to discuss these issues.

- f. SMART - Al Boro briefly reported that SMART is conducting a peer review of its expenditure plan. The Board had agreed not to place the issue on the ballot until such review is completed. Several proposals for Railroad Square in Santa Rosa are being reviewed. Plans include mixed use housing, recreation facilities and open space.
- g. ABAG - Carole Dillon-Knutson reported on the recent ABAG General Assembly, a conference which was part of the 100th anniversary of the San Francisco Earthquake. She also gave an update on steps other cities in the Bay Area are taking with regard to disaster preparedness.

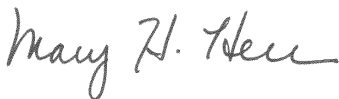
Public Open Time - There were no comments.

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PROGRAM: Laura Hall, Principal in Fisher & Hall Urban Design, spoke on "Form-Based SmartCodes: How to Get Neighborhoods and Downtowns you Love."

ADJOURN: President Melissa Gill adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m. to the next meeting on May 24, 2006 in San Anselmo.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Herr
Secretary/Treasurer