

**CITY OF MORRO BAY**  
**HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD**  
**SYNOPSIS MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the City of Morro Bay Harbor Advisory Board was held Thursday, December 2, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Veteran's Hall, 209 Surf ST, Morro Bay, California.

**I. ROLL CALL**

Present:	Members:	Brett Cunningham Gene Doughty Michele Leary Bill Luffee Lynn Meissen Jim Phillips Elaine Serda
	Staff:	Susan Lichtenbaum, Harbor Business Manager Eric Endersby, Harbor Operations Manager Polly Curtis, Office Assistant

**II. MINUTES**

Mr. Luffee moved the November 4, 2010 Harbor Advisory Board minutes be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Doughty and carried unanimously.

**III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**IV. PRESENTATIONS AND ACTION ITEMS**

**IV-1. Cancellation of January 6, 2011 Meeting**

Mr. Luffee moved to cancel the January 6, 2011 Harbor Advisory Board meeting. The Motion was seconded by Ms. Meissen and carried unanimously.

**V. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**V-1. Update – Discussion of Loading Zones on the Embarcadero (Continued)**

Ms. Lichtenbaum reviewed the topic for the Board, saying that Staff spoke with Mr. Stan Van Beurden of the Morro Bay Leaseholders Association about the loading zones on the Embarcadero and delivery truck congestion and potential safety problems. Mr. Van Beurden had said he will discuss the issue with the Leaseholders Association.

Staff also gave a presentation to the Morro Bay Business Forum on November 18, 2010 to provide an overview of the Harbor Department, and relayed the Board's suggestion that the businesses see if there are solutions to the problem such as specifying delivery times and restricting weekend deliveries. At that meeting, Mr. Stan Trapp said it would be difficult to schedule delivery times when trucks come from a distance.

Ms. Lichtenbaum said this topic can be revisited in March, and the Harbor Advisory Board could give a recommendation and provide input to City Council before summer.

**V-2. Harbor Department Status Report**

Ms. Lichtenbaum and Mr. Endersby briefed the Board on the following topics:

**Engine Replacement Grants**

**Vessel Turn-In Program**

**State Park Marina Maintenance Dredging Update**

**2011 Summer Beach Lifeguard Hiring**

**Hunting Season**

**Commercial Slip Qualification Update (Due by January 10, 2011)**

**Harbor Advisory Board Positions**

**MBNEP Deadlines for Grants**

**Upcoming Events:**

**Lighted Boat Parade December 4**

**Documentary "The Catch" Stories of Local Fishermen Dec 4**

**City Tree Lighting Ceremony Dec 5**

**Caroling Cop Cars & Christmas Trolley Parade Dec 7-9**

**Swearing in of Mayor and Council Dec 8**

**Morro Bay Winter Bird Festival Jan 14**

**VI. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

Ms. Meissen asked Staff about the Chablis being hauled out in the launch ramp. Ms. Lichtenbaum and Mr. Endersby discussed the special circumstances of the haul out at the launch ramp, saying that a meeting will be held with the owner after the Chablis is back in the water. Ms. Lichtenbaum said they will try to structure the permitting for next year, possibly including higher fees, as the launch ramp was not designed for that type or intensity of use.

Mr. Doughty said Ms. Meissen took the initiative to meet with Coastal Commission Commissioner K.H. "Katcho" Achadjian to discuss the permitting process for a future boat yard in Morro Bay. The Commissioner reportedly said that he would encourage the City to submit plans for a boat yard, and that the negative letter received from the Staff of the Coastal Commission is not the ultimate authority. Ms. Lichtenbaum commended Ms. Meissen for taking the initiative to meet with the Commissioner, and she reminded the Board the estimated cost of the boat yard was \$5 million, and that after a permit is issued by the Coastal Commission, the project must begin construction within two years. She said significant planning would need to be done prior to submitting to the Coastal Commission for permits. She said even the cost of mitigation is very high. Chairman Phillips said he would like to see the boat yard topic back on the agenda next year to review the plans.

**VII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**Feb: Presentation on the ITQ Program and Community Based Fishing Issues  
State Park Marina Update**

**Mar: News Racks  
Maritime Museum**

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

This meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Submitted by,

Polly Curtis  
Harbor Department