

Mr. Endersby said that Michele Leary, owner of Central Coast Sport Fishing in Morro Bay, called him to express her full support for Mr. Moore's live bait operation. Mr. Jim Nalen, commercial fisherman, told the Board that without bait there are no fishing operations.

Mr. Cunningham asked the Board and Mr. Endersby to give Mr. Moore's proposal a beeline through the process in order for him to be operational as soon as possible. He said that Morro Bay needs a live bait operation, and it would be a huge community benefit. He also suggested Mr. Moore's rent be waived at least for the first year of operation.

MOTION: Mr. Cunningham moved that the Harbor Advisory Board support Mr. Moore's proposal to put four bait receivers on the Coleman Beach mooring, and recommend that in the license agreement with the City, the first year of rent would be waived, and that the process to become operational be expedited as quickly as possible. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Doughty and carried with a vote of 6-1, with Ms. Davis opposed.

IV-2. Liveboard Ordinance Update

Mr. Endersby reviewed the history of the Liveboard Ordinance, highlighting some of the changes that were made and approved by the Board prior to being approved by the City Council in August 2009 and adopted into the Morro Bay Municipal Code. He reviewed the liveboard permit holders status. He said dye tabs are now being used during the initial liveboard inspection just to check the integrity of the sanitation system. Mr. Endersby said enforcement is still the biggest hurdle.

Chairman Phillips asked about the liveboards on non-City-owned moorings, if there is any leverage for compliance to the Ordinance by the mooring owner. Mr. Endersby said it is similar to the leaseholders in that they are supposed to abide by City Rules and Regulations. Ms. Meissen said most of the unpermitted liveboards tend to be on private moorings and not in marina slips, and the Harbor Office did send a letter to all the lease site owners who have marinas reminding them that all liveboards need a permit.

Ms. Davis said when she signed her mooring agreement with the City, it means she agrees to comply with all ordinances. She thought the City could be more strident in assuring the mooring owners make their renters comply with the liveboard ordinance. Mr. Luffee asked about the citation process. Mr. Endersby explained the steps of administrative citations, and the following steps if a person refuses to pay the fine, which could include going to court or to a collection agency. Mr. Luffee asked if the Board could hear the City Attorney's explanation of this process.

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

V-1. Harbor Department Status Report

Mr. Endersby briefed the Board on the following topics:

State Park Marina Dredging and Kayak Launch Ramp

Harbor Staffing

City Council Action

Art in the Park

Avocado and Margarita Festival

VI. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Mr. Eckles asked Mr. Endersby about the trucks with boat trailers that are now taking up two or three spots in the lot north of the boat rinse-down station. Mr. Endersby said the Harbor Office has written half a dozen warnings to these vehicles, and the large amount of vehicles with trailers is due to the sea bass fishermen who are following the fish. The launch ramp becomes full and the trucks spill into those spaces. Mr. Endersby said the Harbor Patrol Officers are responsible for giving citations to those vehicles, but have called on Morro Bay Police to help with some specific cases.

Ms. Meissen said due to a recent incident in the bay with a Stand-Up Paddler (SUP) that was reported to her by a boater, she does not believe the kayak rental shops or SUP rental places are requiring the SUPs to wear lifejackets. Mr. Endersby said that by law the kayakers must have personal floatation devices (PFDs) on board, and children under age 13 must be wearing PFDs. The U.S. Coast Guard in Washington, D.C., determined that PFDs would not be required for SUPs operating within the surf line, but PFDs will be required to be onboard if the SUP is outside of the surf line. He said for all events, though, PFDs will be required to be onboard. Mr. Endersby said a new pocket-size inflatable PFD is now being used by many SUPs; so it may be more difficult to verify that SUPs are in compliance.

VII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Luffee and Ms. Davis requested a report from the City Attorney to review the process of administrative citations, as well as the responsibilities of lease site holders and mooring owners to uphold the Liveaboard Ordinance. Mr. Luffee requested a report from the owners of the Maritime Museum located on the Embarcadero, and Ms. Meissen supported his request.

**Sept: Report from Rick Algert on Fisheries Meeting
Embarcadero Lease Sites Status Report
Report from City Attorney on Administrative Citation Process and Lease Holders/
Mooring Owners' Responsibility with Regard to Liveaboard Compliance**

Oct: Report from Maritime Museum Owner, Larry Newland

Future: Review of Launch Ramp Parking Permit After One Year

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 8:33 PM.

Submitted by,

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