



AGENDA NO: A-1

MEETING DATE: August 6, 2015

CITY OF MORRO BAY

HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD

SYNOPSIS MINUTES

The regular meeting of the City of Morro Bay Harbor Advisory Board was held Thursday, June 4, 2015 at 6:00 PM in the Veteran's Hall, 209 Surf ST, Morro Bay, California.

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

Present: Members: Alan Alward (MBCFO Rep)
 Gene Doughty
 Bill Luffee
 Neal Maloney
 Lynn Meissen
 Ron Reisner
 Absent: Dana McClish
 Staff: Eric Endersby, Harbor Director
 Polly Curtis, Office Assistant

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHAIR AND ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

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Mr. Alward said there are three fishing boats in Morro Bay working on the oil spill in Santa Barbara through the Fisherman's Organization Response Team (FORT). The boats are the Nikki J, the Bonnie Marietta, and the Dorado. Also Jeremiah O'Brien from the F/V Aguero is the coordinator on this incident for all fishing boats.

Ms. Meissen said the Insurance Ad-Hoc Committee has held meetings and is ready to bring a report to the Board; however, as the topic was not agendaized for the current meeting, the Ad-Hoc Committee will give the report at the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

<https://youtu.be/rwxex4N8mPE?t=3m35s>

A-1 MINUTES

Mr. Alward moved the April 22, 2015 Special Harbor Advisory Board minutes be approved as submitted. The Motion was seconded by Ms. Meissen and carried unanimously.

A-2 MINUTES

Mr. Maloney moved the May 7, 2015 Harbor Advisory Board minutes be approved as submitted. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Doughty and carried unanimously.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

<https://youtu.be/rwxex4N8mPE?t=5m19s>

B-1 Harbor Department Status Report

Mr. Endersby briefed the Board on the following topics:

Dredge Yaquina

Lifeguard Academy

Fishing Season

Atascadero High School Career Day

Safe Boating Day Hosted by Morro Bay Yacht Club

Fire Fighting Breathing Apparatus Fit Testing for Harbor Patrol

Harbor Patrol and Lifeguard Training

Hazmat Refresher by SLO Ambulance

Recent City Council Action

Recent Events

Upcoming Events

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

<https://youtu.be/rwxex4N8mPE?t=18m52s>

C-1 Update from the Marine Services Facility/Boatyard Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities, Findings and Recommendations

Mr. Reisner said the Ad-Hoc Committee met in May, and individual Committee members also executed Committee-related tasks, which he summarized for the Board. He said on May 15, 2015 Committee members Mr. McClish, Mr. Alward, and Mr. Reisner met with City of Morro Bay Community Development Manager, Scot Graham, to discuss the history, planning, and sites for a boatyard/haulout facility. Mr. Reisner said discussion included potential use of the Triangle Lot property, space requirements for a boatyard, and access for moving boats from a haulout to a yard.

Discussion by the Board.

Motion: Mr. Alward moved that the Harbor Advisory Board continue to monitor the City's intentions regarding the Triangle Lot and continue to press the City relative to consciously making a commitment to siting a haulout facility and boatyard facility on as feasible as possible City property, or declare that no such sites are available. Further, that the Harbor Advisory Board authorize the Ad-Hoc Committee to speak directly with the City Council and City Manager regarding utilizing the Triangle Lot for a boatyard. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Maloney.

Discussion by the Board. Mr. Doughty recommended amending the Motion by adding the words, "or any potential property" after the words, "City property." Mr. Alward accepted Mr. Doughty's amendment to the Motion, which was seconded by Mr. Maloney.

Amended Motion: Mr. Alward moved that the Harbor Advisory Board continue to monitor the City's intentions regarding the Triangle Lot and continue to press the City relative to consciously making a commitment to siting a haulout facility and boatyard facility on as feasible as possible City property, or any potential property, or declare that no such sites are available. Further, that the Harbor Advisory Board authorize the Ad-Hoc Committee to speak directly with the City Council and City Manager regarding utilizing the Triangle Lot for a boatyard. The Amended Motion was seconded by Mr. Maloney and carried unanimously.

Mr. Reisner said there was discussion during the meeting with Mr. Graham about possible acquisition of a metal building on Dynegy property.

Motion: Mr. Maloney moved that the Harbor Advisory Board obtain from the City Council definitive information regarding the availability of the subject Dynegy building. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Alward.

Discussion and clarification of the Motion by the Board. Mr. Reisner said his recommendation was for the City to obtain the information, not the City Council.

Amended Motion: Mr. Maloney moved that the Harbor Advisory Board obtain from the City definitive information regarding the availability of the subject Dynegy building. The Amended Motion was seconded by Mr. Alward and carried unanimously.

C-2 Update from the Capital Improvement Planning Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities
<https://youtu.be/rwxex4N8mPE?t=41m13s>

Mr. Maloney said the Ad-Hoc Committee met in May. He reported to the Board the recommendations made by the Ad-Hoc Committee, including the subjects of cost allocation; maintenance/budget distribution among City departments of Harbor-related property improvements/utilities; monitoring the FY15/16 operating budget process; and the Management Partners Study using irrelevant operational comparisons and data to recommend outsourcing the Harbor department operations.

Discussion by the Board and Mr. Endersby.

Motion: Mr. Reisner moved that the Harbor Advisory Board authorize the Ad-Hoc Committee to engage in dialog with the Harbor Department and the City's Administrative Services Director to obtain a clear understanding of the criteria used to set the Harbor Department cost allocation. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Luffee and carried unanimously.

C-3 Continued Discussion and Recommendations on Harbor Department Master Fee Schedule
<https://youtu.be/rwxex4N8mPE?t=56m58s>

Mr. Endersby made a presentation to the Board of the Master Fee Schedule, including a spreadsheet of the Harbor Department's analysis. He asked the Board for approval of the Master Fee Schedule, and to make any recommendations to City Council for the July 14 meeting.

Mr. Maloney stepped down from the Board during the discussion on slip fees.

Public Comment: Mr. Maloney said one way to reduce water usage and cost at the city slips would be to switch from freshwater pumps to saltwater. Mr. Yarling said he is a Liveaboard in Morro Bay and did not want the future rates to go up all at once but in smaller increments.

Discussion by the Board and Mr. Endersby on City slip fees.

Motion: Mr. Reisner moved that the Harbor Advisory Board recommend to City Council the Harbor Department Master Fee Schedule FY15/16 include a .50-cent per foot per month utility charge for city slips. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Luffee.

Further discussion by the Board. Ms. Meissen recommended that the Motion be amended to clarify that the amount of the fee is not for utilities but in recognition of unrecovered utility costs.

Amended Motion: Mr. Reisner moved that the Harbor Advisory Board recommend to City Council the Harbor Department Master Fee Schedule FY15/16 include a city slip rate increase to \$4.65 per foot per day in recognition of unrecovered utility costs. The Amended Motion was

seconded by Mr. Luffee, and carried with a vote of 4 to 1, with Mr. Alward voting no, and Mr. Maloney stepping down, and Mr. McClish absent.

Discussion by the Board and Mr. Endersby on mooring fees. Mr. Doughty stepped down from the Board during discussion of mooring fees.

Motion: Mr. Reisner moved that the Harbor Advisory Board recommend to City Council the private mooring line item in the Harbor Department Master Fee Schedule FY15/16 be accepted as proposed. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Luffee, and carried unanimously, with Mr. Doughty stepping down.

Discussion by the Board on Master Fee Schedule recommendations by Mr. Endersby.

Motion: Mr. Reisner moved that the Harbor Advisory Board recommend to City Council to ratify the Master Fee Schedule as presented. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Luffee and carried unanimously.

D. NEW BUSINESS

D-1 Request by Brian Williamson for a Waiver of Requirement to Qualify for a Commercial Fishing Slip

<https://youtu.be/rwxex4N8mPE?t=2h39m54s>

Mr. Endersby reviewed the process of qualifying commercial fishing vessels for city slips and the policy on waivers and the appeal process. He said Mr. Brian Williamson requested a waiver and was denied and so is now following the appeal process.

Public Comment: Mr. Williamson presented his appeal to the Board. Mr. Ryan Hansen, Fish and Wildlife Game Warden for Morro Bay said there is currently an investigation by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife on the landing receipts submitted by Mr. Williamson for qualifying for a city slip.

Discussion by the Board.

Motion: Mr. Reisner moved to table the Agenda Item until the matter is adjudicated, and to allow Mr. Williamson to remain in the City slip as long as his slip fees are current. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Luffee and carried unanimously.

D-2 Cancelation of the July 2, 2015 Harbor Advisory Board Meeting

<https://youtu.be/rwxex4N8mPE?t=3h14m21s>

Motion: Mr. Doughty moved to cancel the July 2, 2015 Harbor Advisory Board meeting. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Alward and carried unanimously.

Further discussion by the Board on holding a regular meeting on a later date in July and determining if the Vet's Hall is available.

E. DECLARATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

<https://youtu.be/rwxex4N8mPE?t=3h20m18s>

July:

Harbor Rules and Regulations
Insurance Ad-Hoc Committee

August:

Management Partners Study Report

Future:

Best Management Practices, HAB Review
Coast Guard Building Location Plans
Morro Bay Fish Quota Share and Trawl Permits
Annual Review of All Waterfront Lease Sites
Water Lease Site Improvements Including Dock Configurations
Inspecting Marine Sanitation Devices on All Vessels in Morro Bay Harbor
Planning for Power Plant Property
Sea Lion Abatement in Morro Bay

F. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.
Submitted by,

Polly Curtis
Harbor Department