

MINUTES - MORRO BAY CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING – NOVEMBER 17, 2015
COMMUNITY CENTER MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
1001 KENNEDY WAY – 4:00 P.M.

PRESENT:	Jamie Irons	Mayor
	Christine Johnson	Councilmember
	John Headding	Councilmember
	Matt Makowetski	Councilmember
	Noah Smukler	Councilmember
STAFF:	Dana Swanson	City Clerk
	Brooke Austin	Deputy City Clerk

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

The public comment period was opened.

<https://youtu.be/8tu9sJ6MGWg?t=1m50s>

Joan Solu, Morro Bay resident, owner of the Embarcadero Inn, and current Morro Bay Tourism Bureau and Tourism Business Improvement District Advisory Board member, informed the Council she was withdrawing her application, noting there were four qualified candidates for the TBID Advisory Board.

The public comment period was closed.

The Council discussed whether to consider three applicants who were not able to attend interviews. Given the schedule changes that occurred, there was unanimous support to consider applications received from Dave Kinnard for Planning Commission, Nancy Wise for Recreation & Parks Commission, and Aaron Graves for the Tourism Business Improvement District Advisory Board.

The Council considered alternatives to the interview process, including interviewing one candidate at a time while other candidates wait either in the audience or in another room. There was concern about asking applicants to leave a public meeting and the Council agreed to continue using a panel interview format with all applicants present.

Citizens Oversight/Citizens Finance Committee

<https://youtu.be/8tu9sJ6MGWg?t=15m29s>

The following applicants were interviewed to fill three (3) 2016 vacancies on the Citizens Oversight/Citizens Finance Committee: David Betonte, Betty Forsythe, and Roscoe Mathieu.

The City Council voted by written ballot and the City Clerk read the results: David Betonte, Betty Forsythe, and Roscoe Mathieu each received unanimous support and were appointed to the Citizens Oversight/Citizens Finance Committee for 6-year terms beginning 2/1/16 and ending 1/31/22.

Planning Commission

<https://youtu.be/8tu9sJ6MGWg?t=41m19s>

The following applicants were considered for one (1) 2016 vacancy on the Planning Commission: Joseph Ingraffia, Dave Kinnard, and William Munce.

The City Council voted by written ballot and the City Clerk read the results: Joseph Ingraffia received four votes (Mayor Irons and Councilmembers Headding, Johnson and Smukler) and William Munce received one vote (Councilmember Makowetski). Joseph Ingraffia was appointed to the Planning Commission for a 4-year term beginning 2/1/16 and ending 1/31/20.

Recreation and Parks Commission

<https://youtu.be/8tu9sJ6MGWg?t=1h2m50s>

The following applicants were considered for two (2) current vacancies and one (1) 2016 vacancy on the Recreation and Parks Commission: Kevin Carroll, Roscoe Mathieu, Timothy Ross, Skip Sorich and Nancy Wise.

For a 4-year term beginning 2/1/16 and ending 1/31/20, the City Council voted by written ballot and the City Clerk read the results: Timothy Ross received four votes (Mayor Irons and Councilmembers Headding, Johnson and Smukler) and Kevin Carroll received one vote (Councilmember Makowetski). Timothy Ross was appointed to the Recreation and Parks Commission for a 4-year term beginning 2/1/16 and ending 1/31/20.

For the current vacancy and 4-year term beginning 2/1/16 and ending 1/31/20: Kevin Carroll received three votes (Councilmembers Johnson, Makowetski and Smukler), Roscoe Mathieu received one vote (Councilmember Headding), and Nancy Wise received one vote (Mayor Irons). Kevin Carroll was appointed to the Recreation and Parks Commission to fill a current vacancy and 4-year term beginning 2/1/16 and ending 1/31/20.

For the current vacancy for the remainder of a term ending 1/31/17: Skip Sorich received four votes (Councilmembers Headding, Johnson, Makowetski and Smukler) and Nancy Wise received one vote (Mayor Irons). Skip Sorich was appointed to fill a current vacancy for the remainder of term ending 1/31/17.

City Clerk Swanson suggested the Council consider appointing Mr. Ross to fill the current vacancy plus 4-year term as Mr. Carroll is a current board member for a term ending 1/31/16; terms for both Commissioners would end 1/31/20. There was unanimous Council support for this change.

A brief recess was taken at 6:00 p.m.; the meeting reconvened at 6:06 p.m.

General Plan/Local Coastal Plan Advisory Committee

<https://youtu.be/8tu9sJ6MGWg?t=1h44m47s>

Following the recess, the City Clerk informed the City Council Mr. Ingraffia had verbally withdrawn his application for the General Plan Advisory Committee after being appointed to the Planning Commission as he did not wish to serve on two different boards.

The following applicants were considered to fill one (1) current vacancy on the General Plan Advisory Committee (GPAC) for no set term: Jeffrey Heller, William Munce and Bill Woodson. During interviews, Mr. Munce announced his withdrawal from the interview process for this committee.

The Council voted by written ballot and the City Clerk read the results: Jeffrey Heller received four votes (Councilmembers Headding, Johnson, Makowetski and Smukler) and Bill Woodson received one vote (Mayor Irons). Jeffrey Heller was appointed to fill a current vacancy on the GPAC.

Public Works Advisory Board

<https://youtu.be/8tu9sJ6MGWg?t=2h15m49s>

The following candidates were interviewed to fill two (2) 2016 vacancies on the Public Works Advisory Board (PWAB): Ric Deschler, Steven Shively and Stewart Skiff.

The Council voted by written ballot and the City Clerk read the results: Steven Shively received four votes (Mayor Irons and Councilmembers Johnson, Makowetski and Smukler), Stewart Skiff received four votes (Mayor Irons and Councilmembers Headding, Johnson and Smukler), and Ric Deschler received two votes (Councilmembers Headding and Makowetski). Steven Shively and Stewart Skiff were appointed to fill 4-year terms beginning 2/1/16 and ending 1/31/20.

Tourism Business Improvement District Advisory Board

<https://youtu.be/8tu9sJ6MGWg?t=2h47m26s>

The following candidates were considered to fill four (4) available Tourism Bureau Improvement District (TBID) Advisory Board positions: Todd Baston, Jayne Behman, Aaron Graves and Charles Yates. Following the interviews, Ms. Behman advised the Council that, if selected, she preferred to serve for the shorter term ending in 2017. Mr. Yates advised the Council he would not be available to begin serving until February 2016.

The Council voted by written ballot and the City Clerk read the results:

There was unanimous Council support to appoint Charles Yates to the vacancy for hotelier member-at-large for a 4-year term beginning 2/1/16 and ending 1/31/20.

For a current vacancy and 4-year term for a hotelier with preference given for 22 rooms or less: Aaron Graves received three votes (Mayor Irons and Councilmembers Headding and Makowetski) and Todd Baston received two votes (Councilmembers Johnson and Smukler). Aaron Graves was appointed to the current vacancy and 4-year term ending 1/31/20.

For a current vacancy for the remainder of a term ending 1/31/19: Todd Baston received three votes (Mayor Irons and Councilmembers Headding and Makowetski) and Aaron Graves received two votes (Councilmembers Johnson and Smukler). Todd Baston was appointed to fill a current vacancy for hotelier member-at-large for the remainder of a term ending 1/31/19.

Jayne Behman received unanimous Council support to fill a current vacancy for hotelier with preference given for 50 rooms or less for the remainder of a term ending 1/31/17.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Recorded by:

Dana Swanson
City Clerk