



AGENDA NO: A-1

MEETING DATE: August 4, 2016

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 2, 2016 at 6:00 PM in the Veteran's Hall, 209 Surf ST, Morro Bay, California.

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

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

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHAIR AND ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

<https://youtu.be/t1ihSgtArls?t=2m2s>

Mr. Doughty presented a specimen of green algae, saying this type is growing constantly in the bay and could reach up to an acre in size, and it is strong enough to sink skiffs.

Mr. Luffee reviewed his Dredge Yaquina visit, saying it was interesting to watch the dredge pull up the sand and then dump it at the offshore site. He reviewed the recent Boating Safety Day event, and the goal for the Friends of the Harbor Department to fund the purchase of a new rescue sled through donations.

Mr. McClish reviewed the process of moving the maritime Museum's tug "Alma" today from the Harbor yard to its new location at the Triangle Lot next to the rescue submarine and the Coast Guard boat. He said the Central Coast Maritime Museum is holding an open house this Saturday, and on Sunday holding a fundraiser from noon to 2:00 PM with a barbecue lunch (\$15 adults, \$7 kids) at the Museum site.

PUBLIC COMMENT

<https://youtu.be/t1ihSgtArls?t=8m51s>

Mr. Steve Rebeck asked for assistance from the public to help find a storage location for a historically valuable 1966 commercial abalone dive boat called "Dirty Dozen," now located in an empty lot on Market Street on Market Street.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

A-1 MINUTES

<https://youtu.be/t1ihSgtArls?t=12m2s>

Mr. Doughty moved the April 7, 2016 Harbor Advisory Board minutes be approved as submitted. The Motion was seconded by Mr. McClish and carried unanimously.

A-2 MINUTES

Mr. Doughty moved the May 5, 2016 Harbor Advisory Board minutes be approved as submitted. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Alward and carried unanimously.

Mr. Alward said that these minutes were correct to his statement at the meeting, but he would like to note that the percentage he stated of NOAA's required observers on the East Coast trawlers was not actually 100% but 24% and now is down to 14%.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS, REPORTS, AND APPEARANCES

B-1 Harbor Department Status Report

<https://youtu.be/t1ihSgtArls?t=14m35s>

Mr. Endersby briefed the Board on the following topics:

Recent Department Activity

Harbor Patrol Statistics

Harbor Patrol Boating Safety Training for SeaLife Stewards, April 30

Dredge Yaquina Arrived, May 1

Harbor Patrol Officer Mather Attended Health & Safety Fair at ASH, May 11

Lifeguard Supervisor Shaffer, Safety Presentation to Cal Poly Students, May 16

Amgen Bike Race Begins, May 18

New Storage Box (Rental) for Lifeguards at Rock by Friends of HD, May 20

Harbor Patrol, National Safe Boating Week at Yacht Club, May 21

Navy Seal Boats and Navy Patrol Vessels in Morro Bay, May 23-25

Showers at Rock Coin Op Control

Lifeguards on Duty Memorial Day; Start Seven-Days on June 11

Lifeguards New Tower this Summer at Power Plant Outfall

New Hire Harbor Patrol Reserve Officer Dave Muff

Recent City Council Activity

Adopted FY17 Advisory Board Work Plans

Budget Workshop, May 26

Resolution No. 41-16, Approve 3rd Quarter Budget Adjustments

Resolution No. 37-16, Set FY17 Master Fee Schedule

Harbor Changed Launch Ramp Parking to Flat \$5 Daily Fee Only

Upcoming Events

Boat Demolition of Lady Jane, June 1

Maritime Museum Moving Tug Alma to Site at Triangle Lot, June 2

Rock to Pier Run, July 9

Cancellation of July Harbor Advisory Board Meeting

Next Harbor Advisory Board Meeting, August 4

Discussion by the Board and Mr. Endersby. Mr. Maloney requested the Board receive an email with a link to the final Advisory Board Work Plans as adopted by the City Council on May 10th.

C. BUSINESS ITEMS

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

<https://youtu.be/t1ihSgtArls?t=30m55s>

Mr. McClish said there are still plans for the Ad-Hoc Committee to meet with the Harbor Director and Mr. Newland and Mr. Simons. Mr. Reisner said he attended one of the workshops on the

City's Waterfront Development Plan, and noted comments between the City Manager and a Staffer of the Coastal Commission regarding Triangle Lot parking.

C-2 Update from the Finance & Budget Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities

<https://youtu.be/t1ihSqtArls?t=35m44s>

Mr. Maloney said the Ad-Hoc Committee did not participate in the review of the 2016 Budget, or the 2017 Budget which is to be adopted at the June 14 Council meeting. He then reviewed the Ad-Hoc Committee's work elements. Mr. Endersby added that the greatest assistance from the Ad-Hoc Committee would be on the Capital Budget rather than the Operating Budget.

C-3 Update from the Eelgrass Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities

<https://youtu.be/t1ihSqtArls?t=43m15s>

Ms. Meissen said the Ad-Hoc Committee has not met since the previous Harbor Advisory Board meeting, but there are meetings and events planned soon.

C-4 Update from the Marine Sanctuaries Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities

<https://youtu.be/t1ihSqtArls?t=43m35s>

Mr. Reisner stated he was absent from the May Harbor Advisory Board meeting when Mr. Alward gave the report for the Committee, and to reaffirm the essence of his report, since March this year the Harbor Advisory Board has recommended to City Council that the City sponsor public information forums relative to a generic national marine sanctuary off the coast of Morro Bay without regard to the Chumash proposal. In April the City Council discussed the matter and determined that the City was not in a position to sponsor marine sanctuary public information events and was content to have that kind of information come out of the federal government's designation process for the proposed Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary.

Mr. Reisner said during City Council discussion in April, one of the Councilmembers said the list of information presenters that was generated by the Ad-Hoc Committee did not represent a "balanced" range of presenters; that is incorrect. The Ad-Hoc Committee has identified a number of presenters including both public and private entities who have experience living with one or more national marine sanctuaries and without regard to whether their experiences were positive, negative, or neutral -- that was not an element of the determination process.

Mr. Reisner said future national marine sanctuary public information events would need to be sponsored and/or organized by entities other than the City of Morro Bay. The Committee continues to feel that they are very important and the entire county is involved.

C-5 Recommendation on New Coast Guard Building and Harbor Office Building Location Options

<https://youtu.be/t1ihSqtArls?t=46m27s>

Mr. Endersby reviewed the background since 2013 of Coast Guard funding and location options for sites to build a new Coast Guard building for Station Morro Bay. He presented overhead images of two options for building sites.

Option 1: Allow the Coast Guard to build on the current Harbor Office site for their new building and build a new Harbor Office above a new public restroom/shower on the current shower/restroom site at the North T-Pier.

Option 2: Allow the Coast Guard to build on the current restroom/shower site and the City continues to use the existing Harbor Office building, with the restroom/shower being replaced in a yet-to-be-determined location.

Option 3: Inform the Coast Guard we do not have a location for them at this time, at least not for some years.

Mr. Endersby noted that Station Morro Bay would lose all of the funding by FY19 (approximately \$1.4M) if they do not continue to make forward progress on the project.

Discussion by the Board and Mr. Endersby.

MOTION: Mr. McClish moved that the Harbor Advisory Board consider supporting Option 1 to recommend it as the option City Council pursues for a new Coast Guard building. The Motion was seconded by Ms. Meissen.

Discussion: Mr. Reisner said he had a problem with the word “consider.” Mr. McClish said he will delete the word “consider” from his Motion, and Ms. Meissen agreed to the revision. Mr. McClish restated his Motion:

REVISED MOTION: Mr. McClish moved that the Harbor Advisory Board strongly support Option 1 to recommend it as the option City Council pursues for a new Coast Guard building. The Revised Motion was seconded by Ms. Meissen and carried unanimously.

The Harbor Advisory Board recommended by consensus that the Harbor Director should begin at 100% of fair market value rent structure in future negotiations with the Coast Guard, but not less than 50% of fair market value.

D. DECLARATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

<https://youtu.be/t1ihSqtArls?t=1h41m26s>

Consensus by the Board to Add:

Working Waterfront ABCs

Previously Declared:

Goals and Objectives – Working Waterfront Designation
Measure D

Commercial Slip Qualification Relief for Crab Permit Holders

City Code Enforcement for Boats on Trailers on Private Property

Back Bay Water Use Public Forum

Coast Guard Building Location Plans

Inspecting Marine Sanitation Devices on All Vessels in Morro Bay Harbor

E. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Submitted by,



Polly Curtis
Harbor Department