

AGENDA ITEM: VII-A

DATE: September 17, 2008

ACTION: approved as presented

CITY OF MORRO BAY
PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY BOARD
SYNOPSIS MINUTES

(Complete audio- and videotapes of this meeting are available from the City upon request)

Veterans Memorial Hall
Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

209 Surf Street, Morro Bay
Wednesday, August 20, 2008

Roger Ewing, Chair
Jane Wilzbach
Noah Smukler, Vice-Chair
Matt Makowetski
Bill Olson
June Krystoff-Jones
John Zweemer

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.
Members Present: Roger Ewing, June Krystoff-Jones, Noah Smukler, Matt Makowetski, Bill Olson, and John Zweemer
Members Absent: Jane Wilzbach
Staff Present: Rob Livick, Dylan Wade, and Cathy Weaver.
- II. MOMENT OF SILENCE: Ewing called for a moment of silence.
- III. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: Accepted as presented.
- IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Smukler listed upcoming workshops: Rainwater Harvesting, Saving Our Water One Drop At A Time, and a Movie called Flow.
- V. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS/PRESENTATIONS: Marla Bruton said she was at the meeting to ask for the Board to make a recommendation to the City Council to hear their presentation. Carrie Burton explained she was a property owner in the Chorro Basin and stated her well is contaminated. She had researched a neighboring property and came up with documents from San Luis Obispo County dated in the 70's questioning the advisability of the project's sewage septic system. Richard Sadowski wanted to reiterate what Marla Bruton had requested and also commented on Low Impact Development. Nancy Johnson talked about Morro Bay's Official flower the Dahlia and the Dahlia Days Celebration. Jane Von Koehe said she was annoyed about the two dead pine trees at the city entrance and she didn't think the two to one tree replacement policy was being followed.
- VII. CONSENT CALENDAR: Approval of Minutes of June 18, 2008.
- MOTION: Ewing to approve minutes as presented (Makowetski 2nd). Vote: 6-0
- VIII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT/INFORMATION ITEMS – No action required. Items discussed included: Fire Station nearing completion; Round-a-bout; tree at Mobile Station; Sign Program; Main & Morro Bay Blvd overlay; Fall Cleanup; Household Hazardous Waste; State Water Shut Down and Nitrate issue; Harborwalk Project, and Stormwater Management Plan.

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Update on Morro Valley Nitrate Analysis. Wade gave his presentation/update. Questions raised included: Covering the Chorro Valley in current study; Men's Colony Wastewater Plant spill; Bioxide Use by Cayucos;

B. Discussion of Citizen Presentation regarding City's Nitrate Study of the Morro Valley from June 18, 2008. Regional Board's comment "not exclusively a result of nitrate fertilizer applications;" penetration of aquifer under service station site; next round of Cleath's study; monitoring; Board's representatives at scheduled workshop for farmers; Prioritizing goals; Sanitary Sewer Management Plan; Cleath Study still has questions; Appreciation of Bruton/Sadowski's work.

MOTION: Makowetski to recommend to City Council that they hear the Bruton/Sadowski presentation. Motion died for lack of a second.

Wade explained that he will be going to the next City Council meeting to give an update of the Nitrate Issue and he can attach the Bruton/Sadowski presentation/report to the City Council packet. The Board wanted Dylan to let the Council know that the Board appreciated Bruton/Sadowski's hard work and this should be reflected as a priority.

X. NEW BUSINESS: Urban Forest Update: Adopt a Tree Program. Livick gave his staff report presentation. He also explained that City trees were going to be trimmed. Two Tree Service Companies are starting work on Monday to trim as many trees as possible, and then when and where the budget allows.

Ewing introduced Bill Woodson and Ann Godsey of Morro Bay Beautiful who were there to support the Adopt-A-Tree Program. Woodson thanked June Kristofl Jones for her letter of recommendation to the City Council from the Public Works Advisory Board (PWAB) and Planning Commission in support of revitalizing the Adopt-A-Tree Program. Woodson explained MBB was donating \$5,000.00 in funding, and help in planting and watering the trees through the first summer. One of their members, who works for Cal Trans, was interested in planning one hundred trees along the Cal Trans right-of-way in Morro Bay. He wanted one change in Jones letter in bullet number four, add: ". . . with City Staff and Morro Bay Beautiful participating." He also suggested a signature block for the Chairs of PWAB, and Planning Commission. Ewing suggested Morro Bay Beautiful have signature block also.

Nancy Johnson stated she was there as the District Director of the Montana Del Oro District of California Garden Clubs. They want to be a partner in this project and they do have grants and funding for tree plantings.

Wally McCrea said he had managed the Adopt a Tree Program 20 years ago. They had put together the Yards Brochure and he can help with the program but doesn't want to manage it or do the work.

Smukler wanted a change to bullet number one, adding: ". . . matched by private parties ' , grants' and/or the City. He also wanted to insert in next to last paragraph after Tree City, "as well as goals within the Green City Accords.'

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: For September: Urban Forestry Management Plan, and Landmark Tree Definition. For October: Sanitary Sewer Management Plan, Storm Water Management Plan, and North Main Street Bike Lane

XII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Wednesday, September 17, 2008.