

CITY OF MORRO BAY  
PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY BOARD  
SYNOPSIS MINUTES

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

209 Surf Street, Morro Bay  
Wednesday, May 21, 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 6:01 pm.  
Members Present: Roger Ewing, Bill Olson, Noah Smukler, Matt Makowetski, Jane Wilzbach, and John Zweemer  
Members Absent: June Krystoff-Jones  
Staff Present: Rob Livick, Dylan Wade, Janeen Burlingame, Rachel Grossman, Damaris Hansen, and Cathy Weaver.
- II. MOMENT OF SILENCE: Ewing called for a moment of silence.
- III. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: Accepted as presented.
- IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Zweemer commented that the agency to call for a street light problem was P G & E at 1.800.743.5000. He explained they needed to know the pole number, whether the pole is wood or metal, and the closest street address/intersection.
- V. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS/PRESENTATIONS: Richard Sadowski stated the occurrence at Island Street this morning, with the manhole cover, was due to back pressure from both of the pumps at Lift Station Five (5) coming on at the same time. He then explained how that occurrence contributed to North Main Street sinking.

Marla Bruton asked if she and Richard Sadowski could agendize a presentation before the Board regarding their analysis of the Cleath Nitrate Report? Wade said he would want to see their presentation materials and would try to get it on the July Agenda. Bruton said she wanted it before July as she had already waited six weeks. After discussion Ewing told Bruton/Sadowski if they got their presentation material in, within a week, their presentation would be on the June Agenda.

Joey Ricano noted that Morro Bay had water issues and he had a sneaking suspicion that all the broken pipes under Main Street contributed to the high nitrate level in the well near Kaiser Park. He said to access his web site address for more information.

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR: Approval of Minutes of April 16, 2008.

MOTION: Smukler to approve minutes as presented (Olson 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Vote: 6-0

VIII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT/INFORMATION ITEMS – No action required. Wade highlighted several issues including: Roundabout, Fire Station 53, State Water and Desal Plant improvements, and the Harbor Walk Project. Board Members questioned the Roundabout right-of-way issue; would work continue through the summer; traffic control; what would the cleanup of the Roundabout include; and the manhole cover event on Island Street.

Burlingame covered two items; Trolley season will start May 24<sup>th</sup>, and a Summer Youth Pass for Dial-a-Ride and the Trolleys have been approved by the City Council.

Livick said street repairs on Elm Street will start the day after Memorial Day, and the City Council will hold a public hearing on June 9th for the abandonment of a section of Palm Ave.

IX. OLD BUSINESS: None

X. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Selection of Board Member to Participate in Morro Valley Nitrate Stakeholder Discussions. Wade explained that nothing has been decided on this yet, but he wanted the Boards input before City Council started those discussions. Olson and Smukler both volunteered, Makowetski voiced his interest also. Ewing suggested Smukler and Olson for representatives with Olson as an alternate if only one spot was available.

MOTION: Smukler to have the Public Works Advisory Board appoint Smukler and Olson as representatives to the Nitrate Round Table Discussion Group and encourage the City Council to move ahead with this in an expeditious manner (Ewing 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Vote: 6-0

B. Consideration of Approving an Extension of the Garbage, Recycling and Green Waste Services Franchise Agreement with Morro Bay Garbage Service & Approving a Base Year Rate Adjustment Application Requesting an Increase to Solid Waste Collection Rates. Burlingame gave her staff report presentation and recommended: 1). Approve a 15-year extension of Garbage; Recycling & Green Waste Service, and 2). Adopt a resolution approving the Base Year Rate Adjustment Application and the resulting rate schedule. Questions included: When would the 5.58 percent increase apply; was there a credit for green waste and recycled materials? Were garbage container partnerships between neighbors feasible, Would picking up every other week for households with less volume cost less, and how often were neighborhood clean-ups scheduled? It was noted that Morro Bay Garbage had done a wonderful job over the life of their contract.

Tom Martin, of Morro Bay Garbage Company, answered those questions and explained how the Garbage Company is switching over vehicles to CNG fueled vehicles (compressed natural gas). They will have 12 CNG fueled vehicles by next year.

Jim Nance said the rates should be lower and orange bags should be reincorporated for smaller households. He also requested they not approve the 15-year extension.

MOTION: Olson to recommend City Council approve Burlingame's recommendations as listed in her staff report (Wilzbach 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Vote: 6-0

C. Storm Water Management Plan Update. Livick gave his presentation and recommended the Public Works Advisory Board review the Draft Stormwater Management Plan's minimum control measure tables and provide feedback that will be forwarded on to Planning Commission and City Council for their review and recommendations before submittal to the Water Board on June 20, 2008.

Questions raised included: would Agricultural projects be regulated by the City; it was noted how the City uses alternative cleaning and other environmentally friendly products, and questioned making that a more formal policy; who monitors construction job sites and enforces storm water infractions; do we have any provisions to keep flaking paint out of storm water drains; what was the timeline for the SWMP;

For more information and to get on the stakeholders list call 772-6261 or write [dhanson@morro-bay.ca.us](mailto:dhanson@morro-bay.ca.us) for more information.

Smukler asked that Slo Green Build be put on the Stakeholders List (peer review of construction plans). Livick talked about the Interim Measures. Ewing asked that the SWMP updates be brought back to PWAB.

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS. For July meeting: Urban Forestry Management Plan/Adopt-a-Tree Program update, and North Main Street Bike Lane. Satellite TV, and Bruton/Sadowski presentation.

XII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 pm to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Wednesday, June 18, 2008.