

MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS

MINUTES

Wednesday, May 23, 2007

*Buck Institute for Age Research
8001 Redwood Blvd., Novato*

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Belvedere: Thomas Cromwell
Larkspur: Ron Arlas, Kathy Hartzell, Dan Hillmer
Mill Valley: Anne Solem
Novato: Jeanne Macleamy, Jim Leland, Pat Eklund, Ernie Gray.
San Anselmo: Peter Breen, Judy House, Ted Freeman
San Rafael: Gary Phillips, Cyr Miller
Tiburon: Alice Fredericks, Jeff Slavitz

ABSENT: Corte Madera, Fairfax, Ross, Sausalito.

Also present were City and Town Managers George Rodericks, Belvedere, Jean Bonander, Larkspur, Anne Montgomery, Mill Valley, Debra Stutsman, San Anselmo, Dan Keen, Novato.

CALL TO ORDER: President Alice Fredericks called the business meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Welcome and Introduction of Guests:

Mayor Jeanne MacLeamy welcomed everyone to Novato and introduced councilmembers Pat Eklund, Jim Leland and Ernie Gray. The following staff members were introduced: City Manager Dan Keen, City Clerk Shirley Gremmels, Public Works Director Glenn Young, Community Development Director Dave Wallace, Redevelopment Administrator Ron Gerber, Executive Secretary Vickie Gerber, Housing Coordinator Tim Wong, Senior Management Analyst Sandy Stohler, and Management Analysts Tom Adams and Janell Hampton.

Other Guests: Marin Supervisor Steve Kinsey, County Administrator Matthew Hymel and Chief Assistant County Administrator Alex McIntyre, Paul Helliker and Larry Russell of MMWD, Terry Hennessy of Marin Builders Association, Patsy White and Margaret Jones of the League of Women Voters, Phil Kranenberg of College of Marin, Deirdre of the Ark Newspaper, and Mary Currie of Golden Gate Bridge District.

Approval of Minutes: April 25, 2007

Moved and seconded to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Nominations for MCCMC President and Vice President 2007-08 term

President Alice Fredericks announced that Larry Chu has been nominated for President and Susan Brandborg for vice-president. Others interested in running should submit letters to her before the next meeting.

Committee Reports

- a. Metropolitan Transportation Commission - Steve Kinsey stated MTC will begin to work on its Regional Transportation Plan, a two-year planning process. Staff will present specific project ideas at the June meeting; everyone was invited to attend to help focus on the visionary phase.

Supervisor Kinsey will hold a seminar on climate change and transportation on May 31st.

He noted that a park is being constructed on the Bay near the Rod & Gun Club past San Quentin.

- b. SMART - Peter Breen reported that review of the environmental impact study has begun. This complex Federal process will take approximately 18 months, reviewing the northbound commute and demographics. He noted that SMART is also involved in transit-oriented developments as well.
- c. Golden Gate Bridge District - Mary Currie gave an updated on the suicide barrier project, noting that the Building and Operations Committee will be looking at three generic concepts. The study can be followed by going to www.ggbsuicidebarrier.org. She also introduced a new book she has co-authored entitled "The Golden Gate Bridge" in celebration of the Bridge's 70th birthday.

Public Comment - There were no comments.

Program: James Kovach, President and Chief Operations Officer of the Buck Institute, presented the background of the organization and introduced Jan Vijg, PhD, Professor, Buck Institute, who spoke about "The Aging of the Genome".

ADJOURN: President Alice Fredericks adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m. to the next meeting on June 27 in Ross.