



GUALALA MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Post Office Box 67, Gualala, Ca. 95445

Minutes for 7 April 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Gualala Municipal Advisory Council (GMAC) was held Thursday, 7 April 2016 at the Gualala Community Center, Gualala, CA. Council Members present were Barry Ducharme, Ron Eckert, Charles Ivor, Robert Juengling, Eric Mills, and Jeff Watts. Administrative Secretary Mary Mobert and three members from the public were also present (see sign-in sheet and speaker's cards). Chair Council convened the meeting at 18:35.

1. Introductions and Announcements: Council Members introduced themselves.

2. Consent Agenda:

a. **Minutes:** 4 February 2016 - **(see below after Item 6. on Agenda)

b. **Correspondence:** Acknowledged as received.

i. **Gualala Community Center: Invoice for 17 March Forum**

ii. **County of Mendocino Dept. of Planning & Building: Notice of Public Hearing & Availability of Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for Public Review of Case # MS_2015-0002 (Sundstrom & Seefeld)**

iii. **MCN Annual Invoice**

iv. **North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board: Letter, 15 March 2016, Response to Comments regarding Case Closure Decision - Site: Unocal Service Station, 39225 Highway One South, Gualala CA**

3. Approval of Agenda:

It was moved by Council Member Ducharme, seconded by Council Member Ivor and unanimously carried that the Agenda be approved as amended.

** [Item 10.a. Council Matters to be moved to just after Item 4. Public Input].

**(Minutes 00:04:41 to 00:07:05 on audio recording)

4. Public Input on Non-Agenda Items: **(Minutes 00:07:05 to Minutes 16:30:00)

****10.a Report: Gualala Community Action Plan (GCAP Streetscape Project) (Chair Juengling)**

i. **Update on Status of the Gualala Refined Streetscape Design Plan (Phil Dow, Executive Director of Mendocino Council of Governments (MCOG))**

Mr. Dow opened the discussion by stating that Transportation Funding has its Ups and Downs. Every other year MCOG submits its Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) , which is the local input into the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Capital projects, such as the Gualala Streetscape Project, are programmed through MCOG, from gasoline tax and truck weight fees

(Federal and State resources). After February's news that due to lack of revenue, over 3 million dollars of Mendocino County's projects would likely need to be de-programmed; the Gualala Streetscape project (Environmental Phase) appeared to be on hold. However, being that the Gualala project is due for its first allocation of \$340,000 for the Environmental Phase in this fiscal year ending June 30th, there is good news again, as Gualala is back on track to begin its Streetscape project this year. ****(Minutes 00:16:30 to Minutes 01:02:20) - **Other MCOG items (Minutes 01:02:20 to 01:20:25)**

5. Report: Mendocino County Law/Code Enforcement: None ****(Minutes 1:20:25 to 1:22:50).**

6. Discussion: Draft - Mendocino County MAC Policy document: For presentation 21 March 2016 at Board of Supervisors Chambers

****Back to Agenda Item 2.a. :** It was noted that no action had been taken under **Consent Agenda: Minutes:** It was moved by Council Member Watts, and seconded by Council Member Eckert and carried **5 Yea** (Council Members Eckert, Ivor, Juengling, Mills, and Watts), **0 NAY, 1 ABSTENTION** (Council Member Ducharme) that: 1) the 4 February 2016 meeting minutes be approved as presented; and 2) the 3 March 2016 meeting minutes be tabled to a future date. ****(Minutes 01:29:45 to 01:30:43 on audio recording).**

7. Drought: State of Emergency & Status of the Gualala Water Moratorium (Council Members Ivor & Juengling) Per United States Geological Survey (USGS) - North Fork Gualala River water flow is at 70 cubic feet/second. Gualala Water moratorium still ongoing. ****(Minutes 01:30:43 to 01:32:05 on audio recording).**

8. Chairman Juengling's Report: None

9. Vice-Chairman Ivor's Report:

a. Review of Public Forum held at the Gualala Community Center 17 March 2016 re: THP #1-15-042 SON (Dogwood) : The overwhelming feeling at the Forum, by the citizens of the greater Gualala area, was that the proposed Timber Harvest Plan (Dogwood), should not be allowed to move forward. There were over 70 audience members in attendance, and most everyone present was extremely upset about the proposed THP plan within the floodplain of the Gualala River. The overriding majority of attendees at the Forum would like to see the Floodplain become parkland, as was proposed by Sonoma County as far back as the 1960's, and like what has been done in other Mendocino County areas such as Big River. CalFire did not attend the Forum. Henry Alden, representative of Gualala Redwood Timber, gave an explanation of the proposed logging operation. ****(Minutes 01:32:20 to 01:51:40)**

10. Council Matters:

a. * (See above after Item 4. Public Input on Non-Agenda Items).***

b. Discussion: Gualala Parking Issues (Council Members Juengling and Watts)

Vendors utilize the temporary parking area at the south end of town. Some vendors have County issued permits. CalTrans would like to see the area kept open for emergencies and for Parking. Further discussion on possible signage for the area.

****(Minutes 01:51:40 to 2:05:05)**

c. Various CalTrans & County Issues:

i. Discussion: Highway 1 Realignment Project North of Gualala(Council Member Mills)

The latest information received has stated that after realignment has been completed, Highway 1 striping will return to a broken line with passing ability. The Traffic Safety Officer has also confirmed that a pullout area will not be allowed where there is passing.

******(Minutes 02:05:05 to 02:11:20).

11. Treasurer Eckert's Report:

There were three invoices this past month. Public Forum \$30.00 , MCN \$22.29 , Sophia Mitchell - Website \$60.00 . GMAC's account balance is \$1930.62 .

12. Secretary Watts' Report:

Council Member Watts addressed the traffic situation at Schooner Gulch/Highway 1 intersection. Further discussion on possible signage. (Minutes 2:12:02 to 2:17:05)

13. Website Report: Maintenance of GMAC Website (Council Member Eckert)

None - Materials for website needed.

14. Administrative Secretary Mobert's Report:

Administrative Secretary Mobert worked 12.32 hours, with materials of \$7.40 , for total of \$192.15 .

15. Agenda for next meeting - 5 May 2016

******(Minutes 02:18:00 to 02:19:50 on audio recording)

16. Walk/See Assignment:

a. CDP #2015-0022 (Howell & Norcross) 38690 Pacific Drive, Gualala

b. CDP #2015-0033 (Ellis & Lauer) 36000 So. Hwy. One, Gualala

c. CDP #2016-0001 (Wright) 30050 Island View Drive, Gualala

17. Adjournment:

It was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 21:00.