



GUALALA MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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Minutes for 1 September 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Gualala Municipal Advisory Council (GMAC) was held on Thursday, 4 August at the Gualala Community Center in downtown Gualala. Council Members present were: Ron Eckert, Charles Ivor, Robert Juengling, Eric Mills, and Jeff Watts. Administrator Mary Mobert and one member of the public were also present (see sign-in sheet and speaker's cards). **Council Chair Juengling** convened the meeting at 19:25.

1. Sheriff's Forum: Sheriff Allman: See website archives for recording of meeting.

2. Introductions and Announcements:

- a. In August, Mendocino Supervisors adopted a resolution to use Sonoma Clean Power to provide alternative electricity to unincorporated areas of the County via Sonoma Clean Power (CCE – Community Choice Energy). Joel Chaban, a local proponent of the initiative, was invited to speak at 6 October GMAC meeting.
- b. Fifth District Supervisor Dan Hamburg will attend 3 November GMAC meeting to address local concerns of the public.
- c. Sheriff's Forum will be held 1 December.
- d. Phil Dow of Mendocino Council of Governments (MCOG) may attend a meeting in January or February, 2017 to update the Gualala Community Action Plan (Street-scaping).

3. Consent Agenda:

a. Minutes: 4 August 2016:

It was moved by Council Member Ivor, seconded by Council Member Eckert, and unanimously carried that the Minutes be approve as presented.

b. Correspondence: All were acknowledged as received.

- i. CalFire THP Report: 1-12NTMP011 MEN; Anchor Bay;
- ii. CalFire THP Report: 1-08NTMP 009MEN;Bower Ltd. Partnership/ J. & M. Bower
- iii. MCN Statement: Annual Domain Name Invoice, Acct # 19819;
- iv. NCRWQCB letter: Request for Additional Off-Site Investigation-Site: Chevron #93377, 39215 South Highway 1, Gualala, CA, and;
- v. Case No. 1TMC046 v. NCRWQCB letter: Request for Additional Off-Site Investigation -Site: Unocal Service Station, 39225 South Highway 1, Gualala, CA; Case No. 1TMC017.

4. Approval of Agenda:

It was moved by Council Member Mills, seconded by Council Member Watts, and unanimously carried that the Agenda be approved as presented.

5. Public Input on Non-agenda Items: Susan Moon of the *Redwood Coast Land Conservancy* reported parking at Cooks Beach has been improved with gravel. Usage of the beach

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is up over the last two years but there are still only two parking places available. Accessing other property for parking was discussed.

6. Report: Mendocino County Law/Code Enforcement: The next Sheriff's Forum is set for 1 December as previously confirmed by Administrator Mobert and the Sheriff's office. Lt. Greg Stefani had nothing to add to this evening's Sheriff's Forum information.

7. Discussion: Draft – Mendocino County MAC Policy Document: For Board of Supervisors: The County Board of Supervisors will vote the Final Draft 12 September. **Council Member Watts** asked whether GMAC would compare its Bylaws and Policies with the County's new MAC Policy to insure they are in compliance. **Council Member Mills** felt GMAC Members had an obligation to review both documents and report to the Council what might not comply. The County should know if GMAC agrees or disagrees with the draft policy. **Council Member Ivor** saw nothing untoward with any of GMAC's documents. **Council Member Mills** felt, if the Draft Policy is adopted, GMAC would probably be notified. Parts of the Draft Policy were read and discussed.

It was decided all Member's comments on the policy will be sent to Council Chair Juengling who may send them to Supervisor Hamburg. The item will be discussed 6 October.

8. Drought: State of Emergency & Status of the Gualala Water Moratorium: **Council Chair Juengling** reported the present flow in the Gualala River is 5.1 cubic feet per second. – The item remains on the Agenda.

Chairman Juengling's Report: - **Council Chair Juengling** was invited to meet with the Boyce Springs Alliance in Boyce Hot Springs, California to speak about Municipal Advisory Councils (MAC). He also saw a five-street traffic circle (roundabout) to slow vehicles being built in Healdsburg, California. He would like to see one included in Gualala's streetscape plans.

9. Vice-Chairman Ivor's Report: There are presently two Timber Harvest Plans (THP) on the Gualala River. Rob DiPerna will send a report on the "German South" THP to Calfire for review. The "Dog-wood" THP is on hold until 15 September. Though site trespass is illegal, the transport of trees already felled is being allowed. Information gathered by Friends of the Gualala River and Mr. DiPerna will be presented in court hopefully to stop these harvests. Allen Levine is working with the Sacramento legislature to change forestry rules on harvesting.

10. Council Matters:

a. Report: Gualala Community Action Plan (GCAP Streetscaping): **Council Chair Juengling** spoke to Phil Dow of MCOG. The official start date for GCAP's Environmental Phase is October 1. – The item remains on the Agenda.

b. Discussion: Gualala Parking Issues: **Council Chair Juengling** reported the project and planning is just beginning. Though they have not met recently, meetings of the Parking Committee may start again. – The item remains on the Agenda.

c. Various CalTrans & County Issues: CalTrans restriped the middle double-yellow and white fog lines on Highway One starting at the Gualala Bridge and going north. – The item remains on the Agenda.

11. Treasurer Eckert's Report: GMAC's account balances to \$5,802. Mendocino Community Network's statement for GMAC's Domain Name will be paid this year but will not be renewed next year since it's not being used at present.

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Purchasing a GMAC computer to record meetings was discussed.

It was moved by Council Member Mills, seconded by Council Chair Juengling, and unanimously carried that Treasurer Eckert act for the Council to purchase a computer, mouse, and keyboard to record Minutes for no more than \$500.

12. Secretary Watts' Report: – None

13. Website Report: Maintenance of GMAC Website: From August discussions:

Recommendation was made to adopt similar wording concerning community participation as found on the Westport MAC website. **Council Chair Juengling** provided Council Members with a Draft for review. **Council Member Eckert** spoke with Webmaster Sophia asking her to update GMAC's front page to look like the Westport MAC site.

It was moved by Council Member Ivor, seconded by Council Member Watts, and unanimously carried that Council Member Eckert have Webmaster Sophia update the front page of the GMAC website to look and feel like the suggested draft.

14. GMAC Promotion, Citizen Participation & Recruitment:

- a. Council Member Mills purchased three signs, one Sheriff and two GMAC. **Council Chair Juengling** posted them at the corner of Highway One and Center Street this morning. The wind buffeted them so they didn't stay in place as well as they should. **Council Member Mills** will reinforce them with staves for next month's meeting.
- b. Council Member Mills (his wife Anne) post on the Gualala Trading Post (Facebook) today's meeting.
- c. Jeanne Jackson's has suggested a GMAC Student Intern focus on publicizing meetings on social media. Frances Anderson of *Action Network* will be asked to suggest someone. – The item remains on the Agenda.
- d. Council Member Mills extended an invitation to 5th District Supervisor Dan Hamburg to attend a future GMAC meeting to hear community concerns. Supervisor Hamburg confirmed he will attend 3 November. It was agreed to submit an announcement to the Independent Coast Observer (ICO) a week before a meeting to inform people and encourage them to attend. This will be done for all meetings with special guests.
- e. Posting a large sign on the top of the Gualala Post Office bulletin board was discussed. It was unanimously agreed a sign in large letters showing GMAC's meeting time and day, website address, and Member's names will be printed and posted.
- f. Joel Chaban will speak 6 October on the Sonoma County proposal to provide alternative electricity to Mendocino County's unincorporated areas via Sonoma Clean Power (CCE – Community Choice Energy). Sonoma County will vote on the proposal that day.

15. Administrator Mober's Report: Administrator Mober reported working 13.35 hours; materials were \$9.13, for a total of \$209.37. She may arrive late to the October 6 meeting.

16. Agenda for next meeting – 6 October 2016

- a. Joel Chaban – Sonoma Clean Power (CCE – Community Choice Energy)
- b. Mendocino County MAC policy, required actions
- c. Purchase of a computer for GMAC meeting minutes.

17. Adjournment

It was unanimously agreed that the meeting adjourn at 20:50.

Minutes prepared by Council Member Mills and Administrator Mober

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