



GUALALA MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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Minutes for 2 March 2017

03/14/2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Gualala Municipal Advisory Council (GMAC) was held on Thursday, 2 March 2017 at the Gualala Community Center in downtown Gualala. Council Members present were: Lloyd Chasey, Ron Eckert, Charles Ivor, Robert Juengling, Eric Mills, and Jeff Watts. Administrator Mary Mobert and three members of the public were also present (see sign-in sheet and speaker's cards). **Council Chair Juengling** convened the meeting at 19:00.

1. **Sheriff's Forum, Sheriff Tom Allman:** see Sheriff's Forum recording on GMAC website (below).

2. **Introductions and Announcements:** Council Members introduced themselves.

3. **Consent Agenda:**

3.a... **Minutes: 2 February 2017:**

It was moved by Council Member Watts, seconded by Council Member Ivor, and unanimously carried that the Minutes be approve as amended by:

- 1) moving Public Input Item 4.a to Item 6 a Council Matters, Report: Gualala Community Action Plan (GCAP);
- 2) moving Public Input Item 4.c to Item 6 a Council Matters, Report: Gualala Community Action Plan (GCAP) and on line 3, delete "...now very busy and may need..." and inserting "...now very busy and he felt the intersection may need...";
- 3) changing 4 b to 4 a and on line 1, deleting "John Bower reported" and inserting "John Bower felt...", and;
- 4) in Item 6 a Council Matters, Report: Gualala Community Action Plan (GCAP), page 2, paragraph 6, line 1 deleting "conducts" and inserting "culverts."

3.b... **Correspondence:**

- i. CalFire Mailing Request Form (see attached)

4. **Approval of Agenda:**

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

5. **Public Input on Non-agenda Items:**

a. **John Bower** is involved in environmental and parking issues connected with the GCAP Streetscape. He recently looked at the Gualala Town Plan and believes it has become an old idea and things have changed dramatically since it was approved. He wants to erect a communications tower on his 42 acres above Gualala where Redwood Coast Medical Services (RCMS), the South Coast Volunteer Fire Department's station and Gualala Water Company's storage tanks are located. Unfortunately, the parcel is zoned Residential. There are several issues, such as parking, that the Town Plan may hinder because of present zoning; he feels the Plan needs to be readdressed to accommodate future developments.



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b. Mr Bower said the Chevron station was remodeled but upgrading the lighting to a digital readout on the price sign couldn't be done because the California Coastal Commission (CCC) vetoed any digital lighting upgrade on this type of sign. He felt the CCC was in the wrong with its decision.

6. Report: Mendocino County Law/Code Enforcement: See Sheriff's Forum recording on GMAC's website: www.gualalamac.org. **Council Member Mills** noted the constant speeding on Pacific Woods Road and the fatal accident that may have occurred because of it. **Council Member Ivor** stated that, since the CHP is less visible in the area than in towns, speeding is prevalent everywhere, not just Pacific Woods Road. **Council Chair Juengling** said he will invite a CHP officer to the 6 April meeting.

7. Drought: State of Emergency & Status of the Gualala Water Moratorium: **Council Member Watts** noted that Northern California is out of the drought. **Council Member Ivor** said the snow pack is 200% of normal. **David Bower** stated the state is still planning for future water shortages and use reductions.

8. Council Matters:

a. Report: Gualala Community Action Plan (Streetscape Planning) **Council Chair Juengling** reminded everyone of Mendocino Council of Governments Director Phil Dow's visit and report in January (see 5 January 2017, Minutes Archives).

Mr. Bower stated CalTrans workers are walking Highway One looking at utility undergrounding maps and locating the physical undergrounding to use for future planning of sidewalks, landscaping, parking, etc. He feels the project should be phased long-term, not done as a single phase. The parking committee should meet again soon; drainage, sidewalks, parking—especially large truck parking—, bicycles, pedestrians, and various other issues need to be addressed.

8 b. Discussion: Gualala Parking Issues: **Council Chair Juengling** felt the Surf Center, Gualala Community Center, the CalTrans lot south of Breakers Inn, and other area's parking issues needed to be addressed.

Council Member Watts felt GMAC should have input in to CalTrans before their plan is put out for bid. **Council Member Chasey** stated the community should pay attention to the set steps of process and shouldn't try to make new ones.

8 c. Various CalTrans & County Issues: None

9. Chairman Juengling's Report: **Council Chair Juengling** reiterated the need for the parking committee to meet soon and include Diane Agee of RCMS.

10. Vice-Chairman Ivor's Report: **Vice-Chairman Ivor** reported Friends of the Gualala River (FoGr) met with a forester who suggested ideas on how future decisions could be made for the Gualala River watershed by making a collaborative effort with all the stakeholders to set goals and advocate for the river. FoGr will have guest speakers at their meetings each month.

11. Secretary Watts' Report; Council Secretary Watts: None.

12. Broadband Report: **Council Member Chasey** reported AT&T met with the County Planning Department discussing sites for new towers countywide. One may be in Gualala and one on Fish Rock Road. The Company installing internet services in Anchor Bay begins service next week and will speak with potential business customers in line-of-site of their antenna. The Broadband Alliance meets 3 March.

13. Treasurer Eckert's Report; Council Treasurer Eckert: None.

14. Website Report: Maintenance of GMAC Website: **Council Member Eckert** None.



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15. **GMAC Promotion, Citizen Participation & Recruitment:** Council Member Mills reported he spoke with Peggie Berryhill of KGUA radio. She is announcing the GMAC meeting daily on the week of the meeting. The Independent Coast Observer ran notices for two weeks before this meeting because of the Sheriff's Forum. Council Member Mills would like to see a speaker every month as GMAC has had for the last five months; there is more attendance when speakers were presented.
16. **Administrator Mobert's Report:** Administrative Secretary Mobert reported working 14 hours; materials were \$5.78, for a total of \$216.03.
17. **Agenda for next meeting – 6 April 2017**
 - a. Invite CHP to the next meeting to discuss speeding in area.
18. **Adjournment:** It was unanimously agreed the meeting adjourn at 20:00.

Minutes prepared by Administrative Secretary Mobert