



## GUALALA MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

POST OFFICE BOX 67, GUALALA, CALIFORNIA 95445

### Minutes for 3 August 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Gualala Municipal Advisory Council (GMAC) was held on Thursday, 3 August 2017 at the Gualala Community Center in downtown Gualala. Council Members present were: Ron Eckert, Charles Ivor, Robert Juengling, Eric Mills, and Jeff Watts. Council Member Lloyd Chasey was absent. CHP Officer Travis Struve, Administrative Secretary 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 18:32.

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

**2. Consent Agenda:**

**2..a. Minutes: 6 July 2017**

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

**2..b. Correspondence:** All were acknowledged as received.

**2..b..i. Letter:** Richard Camera regarding CDP #2017-0002 was discussed. He may attend a meeting later in the year.

**2..b..ii. CDP # 2017-0021 (Bastian)**

**2..b..iii. Resignation of Council Member Katie Pence**

**2..b..iv. Letter from John Walton regarding Mill Bend on the Gualala River; the letter was read into the record by Council Chair Juengling.**

**3. Approval of Agenda:**

It was moved by Council Member Watts, seconded by Council Member Ivor, and unanimously carried that the Agenda be approved as amended by adding Item 18. Walk/See CDP #2017-0021 (Bastian) and moving Adjournment to Item 19.

**4. Public Input on Non-agenda Items:** John Walton spoke about the 112 acre parcel that includes Mill Bend on the Gualala River. He would like to see it purchased and preserved as public- access park lands (see proposal attached). He suggested a meeting that included stakeholders and the public with further workshops to solve problems, start planning, and organize fundraising (see proposed Agenda attached). Interested buyers have looked at the property already. Sonoma Parks and Recreation Department has also discussed buying more land along the river. He would like Mendocino Parks and Recreation Department to acquire the parcel, perhaps with revenues from the state Marijuana sales tax that goes into effect January 2018.

To get locals and stakeholders interested, he asked GMAC, that he feels as a neutral party without an agenda on the issue, to host a public forum in 4-6 weeks. Invitations to stakeholders should come from GMAC.

**Council Member Watts** noted GMAC had held public forums on various subjects in the past and had advisory power with County Planning and Building, other County departments, and the Boards of Supervisors in Mendocino and Sonoma Counties.

**Council Chair Juengling** will work with Mr. Walton and suggested Thursday 14 September. He will contact the Gualala Community Center for availability on that date. The item was added to 09/07 agenda.

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**5. Report: Mendocino County Law/Code Enforcement: CHP Officer Travis Struve** will be approved for radar soon. Another full-time, Resident Officer will be on the Coast in four to five months. July was very busy with many tourists and accidents, two involving bicyclists who received only minor injuries, and two at the Gualala River Bridge.

**Administrative Secretary Mobert** noted dirt bikes are now speeding by Bower Park in late afternoon or early evening. **Council Member Ivor** stated speeding on Pacific Woods Road continues to be a problem. **Council Member Mills** said racing may become a problem on Fish Rock Road because it has been paved recently and a better roadway than Highway One now. **Council Member Watts** asked if he was ticketing vehicles crossing the double line when passing bicycles. Officer Struve said if the vehicle barely crossed the line, he let it go. If halfway over or more, he will issue a ticket. If the driver is a repeat offender, he will add a notation so the judge will know.

**6. CDP #2017-0023 (Shockey); Location: 45320 Sequoia Road; (APN 143-090-03-00) Administrative Coastal Development Permit to demolish the existing 1,536 square-foot single-family residence and construct new 1,920 square-foot single-family residence on the existing foundation.**

**Mr. & Mrs. Shockey** gave a history of the property they have owned for 20 years. The house was built in the 1960s. They will deconstruct it and rebuild using around 80% of the same materials, some of it very old redwood.

Questions on the driveway, foundation, cantilevered additions, old septic system, and water tanks for the residence and fire usage were discussed.

**It was moved by Council Chair Juengling, seconded by Council Member Eckert, and unanimously carried that the project be approved, provided the septic system be inspected and approved by the County.** Council Chair Juengling will write the letter to the County.

**7. Website Report: Maintenance of GMAC Website:** Webmaster Amanda Buchner was unable to attend. Her report was rescheduled for 09/07. Members who went to the new site liked the layout and prominent presentation of current Agendas, Minutes, and meeting recordings.

**8. Drought: Discussion: Status of the Gualala Water Moratorium:** Council Chair Juengling reported the Gualala River flow is above 10 cubic feet a second. This time last year, it was 4 cu. ft. He invited David Bower to report on the local water situation but David couldn't attend this month. **Council Member Ivor** noted the state's new water laws that restrict groundwater extraction. He and Council Chair Juengling will research it and report next month.

### **9. Council Matters:**

**9.a. Report: Gualala Community Action Plan (Streetscape Planning):** Council Chair Juengling talked with Phil Dow of Mendocino County Council of Governments who will attend the 7 September meeting. Mr. Dow spoke with Streetscape Project Manager Frank Demling of CalTrans who will come to the Gualala 21 September for the public scoping meeting where they will report on their progress to date. They are also continuing with the preliminary engineering phase that includes review of plans, surveys, obtaining elevations on Utilities, checking drainage, and determining right-of-way needs. The meeting will be held at the Gualala Community Center.

**9.b. Discussion: Gualala Parking Issues:** Council Member Watts reported space for semi's loading and unloading will be better allocated when the streetscaping is finished and parking issues are resolved.

**9.c. Various CalTrans and; County Issues:** Council Member Mills spoke with a CalTrans worker on the Anchor Bay drainage project. CalTrans will send him a project time table. Plans have expanded to include drainage under Highway One; the work is very close to the highway. Testing found the contamination at old gas station was gone

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and trenching can go through those soils. Local businesses will be notified on work schedules and road closures.

10. **Chairman Juengling's Report:** He would like to see property owners continue meeting to discuss problems on parking needs. Steve May, who was convener when the group was meeting, should start the meetings again.
11. **Vice-Chairman Ivor's Report:** None
12. **Secretary Watts' Report:** None.
13. **Treasurer Eckert's Report:** Webmaster Amanda worked 10 hours upgrading it for \$300. The DropBox account was not renewed, which saved \$100.

**a. Purchase of Projection System:** He asked Council Member Chasey to look into buying a system for GMAC but has not heard from him. It should cost about \$250. CDPs, THPs, and other presentations would benefit from a projection system using the GMAC computer to run the projector.

**It was moved by Council Chair Juengling, seconded by Council Member Mills, and unanimously carried that Council Treasurer Eckert buy a projector system for no more than \$300.**

14. **Broadband Report:** Council Chair Juengling spoke with Trish Steel the head of the Mendocino Broadband Alliance who will attend the 7 September meeting to give a Broadband report.
15. **GMAC Promotion, Citizen Participation & Recruitment:** Council Member Mills had the meeting posted on the Gualala Facebook page, both radio stations had announcements running, and the sign is up on the highway in front of the Community Center. There was no notice in the ICO. Administrative Secretary Mobert will call Chris McManus at the ICO to ask her to publish information on September's various meetings and dates.
16. **Administrator Mobert's Report:** Administrator Mobert reported working 14.47 hours; materials were \$7.86, for a total of \$224.86.
17. **Walk/See CDP #2017-0021 (Bastian):** Council Members Ivor and Mills
18. **Agenda for next meeting – 7 September 2017:**
  - a. Sheriff's Forum with Sheriff Allman: Convening at 18:00
  - b. Mill Bend Forum 14 September
19. **Adjournment:** 20:10

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