

MINUTES-MORRO BAY HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING – January 11, 2018
VETERAN'S MEMORIAL HALL - 6:30 P.M.

AGENDA NO: A-2

MEETING DATE: March 1, 2018

PRESENT: Ron Reisner HAB Chair
Lynn Meissen HAB Vice-Chair
Jeremiah O'Brien HAB Member
Gene Doughty HAB Member
Bill Luffee HAB Member
Dana McClish HAB Member
Neal Maloney HAB Member

LIAISON: Matt Makowetski Council Member

STAFF: Eric Endersby Harbor Director
Lori Stilts Harbor Business Coordinator

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m., with all members present.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHAIR AND ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

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Board Member Doughty stated there are schools of 4 to 6-inch-long anchovies in the bay, which is unusual for this time of the year.

Board Member O'Brien informed the Board of the high volume of bluefin and swordfish currently offloading in Morro Bay, with Morro Bay usually between the 1st or 3rd highest landing of these particular fish on the west coast of the United States. Also, now available is the newly released Morro Bay Commercial Fisheries 2017 Economic Impact Report.

In addition, Member O'Brien announced the upcoming annual Central Coast Women for Fisheries Albacore enchiladas fundraiser. Pick up is Saturday, February 3, 2018, from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Order by calling Jackie at 805-772-8281 or Lenore at 805-550-0253.

Board Member McClish updated the Board on the progress of the Maritime Museum's building.

Board Member Luffee announce the Friends of the Morro Bay Harbor Department is raising money to rebuild the dilapidated floating dock the sea lions currently occupy in the bay. To donate go to the Friends website at friendsofthembhd.org or call the Harbor Department at 805-772-6254.

Board Chair Reisner recognized Board Member Doughty for his 30 years of service to the Harbor Advisory Board with a custom mooring ball sculpture handmade by Chair Reisner.

PUBLIC COMMENT

<https://youtu.be/V-SZ9VEReAQ?t=11m48s>

The public comment period was opened.

Larry Newland, with the Central Coast Maritime Museum Association (CCMMA), believes the Maritime Museum may open its doors the weekend of the 2018 Harbor Festival. The biggest obstacle in getting to opening day is obtaining electricity to the building which will cost \$8-10 thousand dollars. Mr. Newland believes for the triangle lot to become useful the overhead lines will need to be removed. It might be sensible for the City and CCMMA to jointly take on the electricity project together, install parking lights, underground the overhead lines, and create the ability for possible museum expansion.

Questions and discussion by the Board.

The public comment period was closed.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

<https://youtu.be/V-SZ9VEReAQ?t=20m44s>

A-1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 16, 2017

MOTION: Board Member Luffee moved the November 16, 2017 Harbor Advisory Board minutes be approved. The Motion was seconded by Board Member Doughty and carried unanimously, 7-0.

B. REPORTS AND APPEARANCES

<https://youtu.be/V-SZ9VEReAQ?t=21m27s>

B-1 HARBOR DEPARTMENT STATUS REPORT

Director Endersby presented the staff report for B-1 and responded to Board Member inquiries.

Chair Reisner stated he introduced previous item A-1 incorrectly and therefore the motion is incorrect. The motion was rescinded.

MOTION: Board Member McClish moved the November 16, 2017 Special Harbor Advisory Board minutes be approved. The Motion was seconded by Board Member Doughty and carried unanimously, 7-0.

C. BUSINESS ITEMS

<https://youtu.be/V-SZ9VEReAQ?t=37m45s>

C-1 UPDATE FROM STAFF AND THE MARINE SERVICES FACILITY/BOATYARD AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE'S RECENT ACTIVITIES

Committee Chair McClish stated the committee has not yet met this year, however, he would like to inform the Board boat storage is available in the triangle lot.

Director Endersby provided more information regarding the pilot boat storage program which will be going to Council soon for input and recommendations.

Discussion and questions by the board.

The public comment period was opened.

The public comment period was closed with no comments.

C-2 UPDATE FROM THE FINANCE & BUDGET AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE'S RECENT ACTIVITIES, AND BOARD INPUT AND RECOMMENDATION OF HARBOR DEPARTMENT CAPITAL PROJECTS SPREADSHEETS

<https://youtu.be/V-SZ9VEReAQ?t=40m47s>

Committee Chair Maloney stated the committee has met twice since December. There was a recommendation by the committee to add a priority listing with definitions based on importance and timing to the Harbor Department capital projects spreadsheet. A structure based on 1 through 5, with 1 being most time sensitive and an A meaning the item needs an assessment.

Committee member Luffee stated concerns regarding items not listed on the capital project spreadsheets that might present the wrong outlook to City Council.

Director Endersby explained the City and leaseholder's responsibility related to seawall/revetment maintenance and agreed to add the City revetment locations to the capital spreadsheets.

Discussion by the Board and Director Endersby regarding the general prioritization of line items on the capitol spreadsheets and layout, along with status of the harbor office and Beach Street slips and

launch ramp projects.

Chair Reisner stated the harbor department for fiscal year 17/18 will need \$2.2 million for capital maintenance and this needs to be addressed by City leaders.

Director Endersby updated the board on the status of the Embarcadero street lighting in-house “gut check.”

C-3 UPDATE FROM THE EELGRASS AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE’S RECENT ACTIVITIES

<https://youtu.be/V-SZ9VEReAQ?t=1h10m10s>

Committee Chair Meissen stated the committee has not met and there is nothing to report.

Director Endersby explained the Anchor QEA revised scope of work proposal and proposed process for the Morro Bay eelgrass policy/mitigation project, with a work product in hand no later than the end of June 2018.

Discussion by the Board and Director Endersby.

C-4 UPDATE FROM THE MARINE SANCTUARY AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE’S RECENT ACTIVITIES

<https://youtu.be/V-SZ9VEReAQ?t=1h16m7s>

Committee Chair Reisner stated there is no current activity.

Discussion by the Board and Director Endersby.

C-5 UPDATE FROM THE WORKING WATERFRONT AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE’S RECENT ACTIVITIES, AND SUPPORT OF H.R. 1176, THE “KEEP AMERICA’S WATERFRONTS WORKING ACT”

<https://youtu.be/V-SZ9VEReAQ?t=1h17m31s>

Committee Chair Doughty stated the Joint Planning Commission and Harbor Advisory Board subcommittee met today and discussed how to define measure D more clearly. Three terms were discussed and given more clear definition – “primary use”, “non-commercial recreational fishing”, and “incidental thereto.” In addition, the HAB subcommittee is in agreement with the Planning Commission as to locations the working waterfront should be defined in three separate areas, from Target Rock to Beach Street, Beach Street to the Tidelands Dock, and Tidelands Dock to the State Park Marina. A revised mission statement will be determined from the two previous statements and brought back to the Joint subcommittee for review. It will then be implemented into the general/local coast plan update, along with a policy statement.

Director Endersby explained the City’s general/local plan update process.

Committee member Reisner reported Planning Commissioner Luhr conceptionally identified the three areas as; Target Rock to Beach Street, is Measure D, Beach Street to Tidelands Dock, would be working waterfront related activities, and Tidelands Dock to the State Park Marina, as nature related water activities.

Input and discussion by the Board and Director Endersby.

Director Endersby presented the C-5 staff report considering support of H.R 1176, the “Keep American’s Waterfronts Working Act.”

Input and discussion by the Board and Director Endersby.

MOTION: Board Member Reisner moved the Harbor Advisory Board endorse H.R. 1176, and encourages modifications to the Bill as necessary to ensure that local government authority be written in as potential direct recipients of the Bill’s proposed Working

Waterfronts Grant Program. The Motion was seconded by Board Member McClish and carried unanimously, 7-0.

D. DECLARATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

<https://youtu.be/V-SZ9VEReAQ?t=1h49m27s>

Discussion by the Board.

The Board agreed to add Morro Bay Maritime Museum Overhead Powerline Undergrounding.

Pending items previously declared:

Goals and Objectives – Working Waterfront Designation

Measure D

Explore Benefits of becoming a Harbor or Port District

BOEM Update

Update from the MBCQF – tentatively scheduled for February 2018

Creation of an Embarcadero Business District

E. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m. The next Regular Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Veteran's Memorial Hall located at 209 Surf Street, Morro Bay, California.

Recorded by,



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