

MINUTES-MORRO BAY HARBOR ADVISORY
BOARD MEETING – February 4, 2021
TELECONFERENCE – 5:30 P.M.

AGENDA NO: A-1
MEETING DATE: March 4, 2021

Harbor Advisory Board conducted this meeting in accordance with Section 3 of California Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020 in response to the present State of Emergency in existence due to the threat of COVID-19. This meeting was held via teleconference for all participants.

PRESENT: Cherise Hansson Chair
Lynn Meissen Vice-Chair
Gene Doughty Member
Dana McClish Member
Scott Mather Member
Jeremiah O'Brien Member
Christopher Vaile Member

STAFF: Eric Endersby Harbor Director
Lori Stilts Harbor Business Coordinator

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

<https://youtu.be/JVYGIIFGSA0?t=21>

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m., with a roll call quorum present.

Member Meissen welcomed the new Board members and thanked Chair Reisner and Vice-Chair Blackford for their previous contributions to the Board.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

<https://youtu.be/JVYGIIFGSA0?t=445>

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHAIR AND ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER, LIAISON ANNOUNCEMENTS

<https://youtu.be/JVYGIIFGSA0?t=503>

New Members Mather and Vaile introduced themselves to the Board and provided background on their interest in serving on the Board.

Member Meissen introduced the Boards new Council Liaison Addis. Council Liaison Addis introduced herself to the Board and gave a brief council update from their last meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

<https://youtu.be/JVYGIIFGSA0?t=1380>

The Executive Director of the Morro Bay National Estuary Program, Lexi Bell, presented an update and highlights on their activities.

PUBLIC COMMENT

<https://youtu.be/JVYGIIFGSA0?t=3099>

The public comment period was opened and closed with no comments.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

<https://youtu.be/JVYGIIFGSA0?t=3122>

Unless an item is pulled for separate action by the Board, the following actions are approved without discussion. The public was provided an opportunity to comment on consent agenda items.

A-1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 8, 2020.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2020.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

A-3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 3, 2020.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

MOTION: Board Member Doughty moved approval of item A-1 through A-3 on the consent agenda. The Motion was seconded by Board Member Mather and carried 7-0.

A-4 HARBOR DEPARTMENT STATUS REPORT.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file report.

B. BUSINESS ITEMS

<https://youtu.be/JVYGIIFGSA0?t=3192>

B-1 ELECTION OF HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR, AND ESTABLISHMENT OF SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIR AND MEMBER APPOINTMENTS

There was Board discussion to determine Chair and Vice Chair.

MOTION: Board Member Doughty moved to nominate Member Hansson as Chair of the Harbor Advisory Board for 2021. The Motion was seconded by Board Member O'Brien and carried unanimously, 7-0.

MOTION: Board Member O'Brien moved to nominate Member Meissen as Vice-Chair of the Harbor Advisory Board for 2021. The Motion was seconded by Board Member Hansson and carried unanimously, 7-0.

There was Board discussion to establish subcommittee members for the Budget & Finance Ad-Hoc committee.

MOTION: Board Member Meissen moved to nominate Member Vaile as a subcommittee member for the Budget & Finance Ad-Hoc committee. The Motion was seconded by Board Member O'Brien.

MOTION: Board Member Mather moved to nominate Members Hansson and Vaile as subcommittee members for the Budget & Finance Ad-Hoc committee. The Motion was seconded by Board Member O'Brien and carried, 6-1, with Member Vaile opposed.

B-2 UPDATE FROM THE BOATYARD/MARINE SERVICES FACILITY AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE'S RECENT ACTIVITIES

<https://youtu.be/JVYGIIFGSA0?t=3608>

There was Board discussion to establish subcommittee members for the Marine Services Ad-Hoc committee.

MOTION: Board Member Meissen moved to nominate Members McClish and Vaile as subcommittee members for the Marine Services Ad-Hoc committee. The Motion was seconded by Board Member O'Brien and carried unanimously, 7-0

Committee Chair McClish stated there is nothing new to report and is open to binging on new members.

B-3 UPDATE FROM THE FINANCE & BUDGET AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE'S RECENT ACTIVITIES, AND PRESENTATION OF THE 2021 CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR AND BUDGET DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE

<https://youtu.be/JVYGIIFGSA0?t=3834>

Director Endersby presented the staff report for item B-3.

B-4 ESTABLISHMENT OF HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ASSIGNMENTS FOR PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

<https://youtu.be/JVYGIIFGSA0?t=4069>

Chair Hansson presented the staff report and asked the Board to chose up to three public engagement assignments.

There was Board consent on the following Member assignment's:

Chair Hansson

Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce, Embarcadero Leaseholders, and Local schools.

Member Doughty

Recreational fishing and mariculture businesses.

Member O'Brien

Morro Bay Rotary & Lions Club, Friends of the Morro Bay Harbor Department, and CMB Morro Bay Recreation Department.

Member Meissen

Environmental organizations (Pacific Wildlife, Marine Mammal Center, ECOSLO, Coastwalk, etc.) and NEP

Member Vaile

Quota International

Member Mather

CA State Parks and Coast Guard Auxiliary

Member McClish

Cal Poly Sailing, MB Youth Sailing Foundation and Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

The public comment period was opened and closed with no comments.

MOTION: Board Member Doughty moved to accept establishment of Harbor Advisory Board member assignments as discussed and approved. The Motion was seconded by Board Member Vaile and carried unanimously, 7-0

C. DECLARATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

<https://youtu.be/JVYGIIFGSA0?t=5658>

There was Board consensus to add “Consideration of a RV Camping Program AD-Hoc Committee” to the future agenda items.

Pending items previously declared:

- Goals and Objectives – Working Waterfront Designation
- Measure D
- Explore Benefits of Becoming a Harbor or Port District
- Wind Energy Generation off the Coast of Morro Bay
- Creation of an Embarcadero Business District to Fund Harbor Infrastructure
- Review of TBID Assessment funding
- Eelgrass Committee to propose an action plan to be included in the GP/LCP update
- Discussion of the Castle Wind Community Benefit funds
- Review the RV Camping Program

D. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m. The next Regular Meeting will be held on March 4, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. via teleconference.

Lori Stilts
Harbor Business Coordinator