

Midcoast Community Council

An elected Municipal Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors

Serving 12,000 coastal residents

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Approved Minutes: Meeting on November 9, 2011

**Call to Order. 7:30 7:41 Erickson, Merrilees, Woren, Kehoe Vespremi, Kline and Lardie attend.
Council member self-introductions / Determination of quorum**

1. Board of Supervisors Report 7:35

a. Nicholas Calderon defers report to Supervisor Horsley.

County Manager Resigned. Interim plan in place while nationwide search is completed. 1 of 7 people in San Mateo count on the county for health care. Need to find low cost housing for low pay workers. Will state provide funds for jail, health care, infrastructure, etc. Need to do better job at risk assessment. So, realignment will continue.

GNRA fire will attend meeting; Fire Board will attend also. Cal Fire, Chief Ferera 22nd of November at Coral Reef.

b. Reports from other officials present

2. Community Forum (see note on last page) 7:40

Speaker slips available for those who wish to speak.:

Kathryn Slater-Carter: Congratulates newly elected. Basic Requirement live in Moss Beach, registered voter, state qualifications. 2 year left on term. Seeking nominations for Women's Hall of Fame. Bettered women's position in the county.

Meredith Lamont: Opposes Harbor District proposed building on the beach. Asks for assistance on Round Up being used on open space land without notifying anyone. Remaining debris piles from perimeter clearing from GGNRA fire prevention.

Horsley: Explained mowing then spraying in order to prevent regrowth of roadside weeds. County has continued to mow and stopped spraying the herbicides. Study being done with Santa Cruz Co. on alternative roadside weed control methods – results should be in soon. For uses such as controlling invasives like pampas grass herbicide will still be needed.

Vespremi: Concerned about homeowner misuse of Round Up. Will draft a letter for future agenda.

Kehoe: Fire District/Board Sends out notices for clean up. Asks Ginny McShane if Do Not Use Round Up could be put on notices?

Laura Stein: Need to see hard data before making any decisions about weed eradication using misapplication of Round Up.

Kathryn Slater-Carter: suggest consulting County Ag Dept on proper use of herbicides

3. Consent Agenda 7:50

a. Minutes – October 26, 2011 Meetingt

b. **Minutes – October 31, 2011 (Special Meeting) not available, not approved**

b. **Minutes – November 2, 2011 (Special Meeting)**

Motion to Approve Woren ; second Merrilees; passed 7/0

4. Regular Agenda – The Council may take action on any of the following items:

a. Discussion with Supervisor Don Horsley (Len Erickson) 7:55

Supervisor Horsley will attend and discuss several topics with the MCC. These items will include the following based on prior discussions at MCC meetings and input from the Supervisor. This discussion will continue in the MCC December 14 meeting:

- **Update on Highway 1 Planning** with emphasis on public inclusion in the process. Concerns range from the specifics of safe crossings to overall plans for the corridor. **Item 1:** status release and public comment on the draft report from the Highway 1 Safety and Mobility Study. **Item 2:** the roadmap for the Transportation Management Plan (per LCP update) that will include the Highway corridor that extends from the end of the Highway 1 freeway in Pacifica to Highway 92's intersection with the 280 freeway.
 - **Horsley: Public Workshops 2nd half of January from long range planning committee. No steering committee planned**
 - **Kehoe: more community involvement, better buy-in – Hwy 1 is the “backbone” of the Coastsides.**
 - **Woren: Participants on Steering Committee should be chosen from the community and speak to MCC on why they should participate so MCC can make recommendations on selection of members.**
 - **Horsley: OK with MCC making recommendations**
 - **Slater Carter ? : Do some coordinated planning between what's going on here and Pacifica. Urges to seek other solutions.**
 - **Horsley: Roundabouts better than widening hwy or signals.**
 - **Woren: consider Michigan Left turn as alternative to roundabouts**
 - **Erickson: Need to frame how we should discuss not discuss specific solutions.**
 - **Kehoe: Use money to buy buses for school traffic.**
 - **Horsley: Check but some Federal issue using budget.**
 - **Vespremi: Roundabouts or nothing seems like what we're offered. 1 year and we are no closer to even looking at solution. Money spent already without community involvement.**
 - **Stein: 13 years ago the light at Coronado went in and probably is not in the correct place.**
 - **Merrilees: Community should work now with traffic engineers. Whether roundabout, stop light etc. they need to work with the community to put these things in the correct places.**
 - **Cid Young, Moss Beach: Commute is worse in school time. Don't need more traffic lights.**
 - **Woren & Vespremi: public needs input earlier in the process in order to affect the results**
 - **Princeton / Pillar Point Harbor: Item 1:** Supervisor Horsley's interest in overall “cleanup” of the area. **Item 2:** Treatment for the California Coastal Trail route through the area: **Item 3:** Harbor District office plans, environmental health of the harbor and the Supervisor's interest to address issues in Princeton. **Item 4:** Supervisor Horsley's recent comments on promoting “green business” in Pillar Point **Item 5:** Interest in maintaining the nature of the harbor and

its commercial fishing. **Item 6:** Airport overlay planning process.

- **Horsley: has been dealing with quality of life problems in Princeton.** Problems with people living on junk boats with no sanitation, abandoned vehicles. Monitoring toxic boat paint, etc. Green jobs quote misinterpreted by reporter. Working water front: businesses should be related to boating and fishing, marine-related research. Some uses are grandfathered. Making progress with inspections for safe storage of chemicals, long process. Doing an update of airport overlay. C/CAG will get funding to complete.
 - **Lisa Ketcham:** 2009 MCC committee studied update of M-1 Industrial zone (airport and west of Airport St) which has antiquated uses and 75ft bldg height limit. Sup. Gordon said this update should happen along with Airport and Waterfront zoning update. Still no word on M-1 zone update. Princeton waterfront bldgs new construction looming over beach requiring emergency riprap sometimes even before construction is complete. Unpermitted riprap on beach blocks access.
 - **Merrilees:** Princeton could be the jewel of our community. Get rid of the 75 foot M1 No boat landing in the waterfront anymore. So the zoning needs to change.. Challenged new council members to stop the large water front buildings.
 - **Woren:** Need to monitor what the buildings are used for.
 - **Vespremi:** Would like to see us take on San Carlos use to our airport. Select uses for airplanes, gliders, training acrobatics.
 - **Cid Young :** Thank you Don for the clean up of scrap cars, busses etc.. Fly over Seal Cove where she lives bends the rules on how the airplanes use the air space. So, the airport overlay is important in order to noise dampening efforts for private homes. Have a better knowledge of caretaker units.
 - **Kehoe:** Erosion on beach for building. Need master plan. React to code variances, usually to late. Destroying the coast.
 - **Horsley:** Could be done but it would take time. Don't have the resources
 - **Kehoe: Use the MCC as the resources. Community resources working with the county to get things accomplished.**
- **Improving connection between the MCC and county departments. Item 1:** Develop strong partnerships between MCC committees and county departments. **Item 2:** Consideration of a "forum" utilizing the video coverage of MCC meetings to provide open communication between county departments and the community.
 - **Depends on different circumstances.** MCC should have it's own committees. Will bring Steve Monowitz, Peggy . Exchange of ideas should be good.
 - **Stein:** How does community where to go with these issues.
 - **Vespremi:** If we are bypassed the community doesn't get involved. Mobility study is good example.
 - **Cid Young:** MCC is an advisory council. However, sometimes we need to go direct to county departments.
 - **Ketcham:** In spite of being deeply involved on county's Midcoast Parks/Rec Committee still surprised when parks projects such as FMR Coastal trail are presented to public fully formed and without any hint to the committee they were being planned.
 - **Slater Carter:** Thanks for coming. Opinion on special districts consolidation?
 - **Horsley: Some water and sewer districts could be consolidated.**

5. Council Activity 9:00

- a. **Correspondence Received**
- b. **Meetings Attended**
- 6. **Committee Reports and Continuing Business 9:15**

Property on Nevada St, Moss Beach. Bill will post it
- 7. **Future Agendas (see Page 2 for additional topics) 9:25**
 - Election of Officers
 - MCC 20th Anniversary
- 8. **Adjournment 9:30**
Adjourn: 9:50 Kehoe motion to adjourn. Lardie second 7/0