

MidCoast Community Council
Parks and Recreation Committee
Minutes - 4/4/99

Present: MCC members Mary Hobbs and Bill Derow, appointed P & R members Bern Smith, Fran Pollard, Chuck Kozak, community participants, Gary Wood, Kathryn Slater-Carter, Steve Terry

1. MROSD Coastal Advisory Committee

Mary gave a background on the committee: at the last meeting the MROSD decided to add seats to the committee from POST and the Farm Bureau as well as the Ag Advisory Board and the School Board. There will be two at-large seats. A consultant has been hired to pull it all together. The MCC has a seat on the CAC and this committee should recommend someone. They would like someone to be appointed who represents the area, has a background in open space, agriculture, and land use, and be a member of the MCC. The meetings will be held on the coast in different locations, and will be supported by MROSD staff. It will deal with acquisition, ag preservation, eminent domain, and use and access policies. Will be subject to the Brown Act.

Motion: Chuck, second: Bern to recommend to the MCC that Mary Hobbs be appointed as the MCC representative. We further recommend that the two extra seats be filled to balance the north end of the expansion area, and be an environmental representative. An addendum recommended that an alternate be designated for each seat.

2. Updates

a) Vallemar Bluffs - The filled in the trench and moved the rig and fence. The drill bit stuck and they dynamited it. Still drilling. They are distributing a survey on prescriptive rights - will send it out on the list. The Coastal Trail alignment runs along that area. The maps look like the county has deeded some parts of the Strand to people. What about a sewer extension to the property?

b) Park Bonds - many being introduced. Linda Barr would like to come out to a March meeting. Good nights would be March 31 or March 15. Mary will contact her. Maybe co-sponsor the evening with the Coastal Alliance - send out notices to anyone who might be interested.

3) Mirada Surf as County Park

The MCC considered our recommendation recommending County purchase of Mirada Surf as a park. They postponed the vote, asking us to include in our letter to the County recommending purchase of Mirada Surf some recommendations regarding funding sources and mandates.

Fran Pollard says there are 10 or 11 laws that say we should have parks. She has a document she had put together some time ago that covers a lot of mandates. Copies were made for the committee. For a population of 10,000 we

should have 15 acres of neighborhood parks and 40 acres of community parks, according to the National Parks and Recreational Facility Standards. What is HMB doing? Development fees can be levied by the County. Half Moon Bay has a \$958 per bedroom fee on house construction (could also be based on square footage). Questions:

- Does this cover maintenance of parks or purchase?
- What law do they cite in levying fees?
- Do they count donations toward fees?
- What portion of budget goes to parks?
- How long has this fee been in existence?

Bern will call HMB and Gary will call Pacifica

Mary will draft the letter and run it by Fran in preparation for the next MCC meeting. Recommend in the letter not just Mirada Surf but the other parcels designated as Park in the General Plan.

Motion: Moved - Bern, seconded, Chuck: The MCC encourages the County of San Mateo to pursue all possible sources to purchase the Mirada Surf parcel and other parcels on the MidCoast designated Park in the General Plan pursuant to the policies and regulations including those cited below (to be filled in).

4) Future Agendas:

- Recreational Needs Assessment to be done by the County (Mary will call Mary Burns)
- San Mateo County Parks Fdn. - brief report
- Coastal Trail (March agenda)

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Coastal Trail Invite Barbara VanDerWerf, Tim Duff, John Hernandez