

Westport Municipal Advisory Council

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Summary Minutes—August 2, 2011

The WMAC Board of Directors convened for a meeting on August 2, 2011 at 7:00 PM at the Westport Community Church in Westport with the following Directors Present: Eyerly, Scott, Knapp, Vidaver, and Director Van Bueren presiding.

1) ROLL CALL

Roll call was conducted with directors Eyerly, Knapp, Vidaver, alternate Scott, and Van Bueren present. Director Grigg was absent.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No discussion or Public Comment.

Motion: Upon motion by Director Scott, seconded by Director Knapp, the minutes of the July 5, 2011

were approved without change. Discussion of Motion: None

Action: Motion approved unanimously.

3) Public Expression – (Discussion Only) – There was no public expression

4) New Business – Discussion and possible action

- a.) Coastal Trail Recommendations for Westport Village Van Bueren Director Van Bueren noted that the second public meeting held on July 9, 2011 was attended by approximately 25 people and there is a draft plan on the Westport MAC website for review. The issue on the agenda for tonight's MAC meeting is to review only some revised proposals for Westport Village. The current recommendations include new boardwalks, new shared use paths, a new alternate bike path, crosswalk, hiking trail, and new bike shoulder. A question from Gary Quentin was "who would pay for changes?" Director Van Bueren noted that there were sources available, but not yet defined. Other questions came from Millie Saunders regarding who would have liability for boardwalk. Could there be a gravel path as opposed to a boardwalk? It was also noted that the boardwalk would have to be ADA ready. Bill Brazill would prefer not to add boardwalk or sidewalk and thought the bicycle route should not be redirected through the residential area. He also questioned the potential problem with the sewer lines. Jeff Whitehouse believes boardwalks are not required and that the money that could be spent on them could be spent in those parts of the trail that might be more hazardous.
- b) Highway Signage re: Rockport Grigg Director Grigg was absent and this discussion was tabled until the next meeting.
- c) Kibessillah Quarry Permit # CDUR 7-94/2011 It was noted the new permit application was to extend their current permit for an additional five years. The new permit included reclamation plan, as required, for when they shut the quarry. Gary Quentin, a neighbor to the quarry, noted that he had hired consultants to review the operation and further noted that they were good neighbors and provided a service for the community.

Motion: Director Scott made a motion that WMAC approve the application as submitted – Director Knapp seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion was approved unanimously.

5) Old Business – Discussion and possible actions

- a) Redistricting Update Van Bueren Director's Van Bueren and Grigg attended the Board of Supervisor's meeting in Ukiah on July 26. At that meeting Director Van Bueren spoke in favor of option B2. The other option that was reviewed was option E2. Since then Option A which has minimal change from the current districts was added to the possible plans. The options are included on the WMAC website for review. The August 16 BOS meeting will be held in the Fort Bragg town hall and redistricting will be on the agenda. WMAC encourages as many people as possible to attend. b) National Ocean Policy – Vidaver – Nothing new to report. Discussion will be added to next month's
- meeting agenda.
- c) Highway 1 Safety Issue Update Van Bueren There will be an update at the MCOG meeting to be held in Point Arena on September 19. The update will include the issues of turnout and passing lanes that might be added between Westport and the 10 mile bridge.
- d) State Beach Closure Scott Director Scott talked with the executive director of the Mendocino Parks Association. There are some possible options for qualified nonprofits to operate a park that otherwise would be slated for closure. There is a bill (AB42) co-authored by assemblyman Chesbro to enact that legislation.

Motion: Director Knapp made a motion to have Director Scott draft a letter to Assemblyman Chesbro with a copy to Mendocino BOS to support AB 42. The letter with a copy of AB 42 is to be emailed to the WMAC members for their review and approval. Director Scott seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

6) Other business/announcements – Discussion Only

a) Director Knapp noted that he was in touch with the Mendocino Broadband Coast Alliance with the purpose supporting them to obtain a grant to fund startup operations and conduct a countywide needs assessment for broadband in Mendocino County.

7) Set Preliminary Agenda for next meeting

The next meeting will be held on September 6, 2011. The preliminary agenda for the meeting:

- 1) Rockport Highway signage Grigg
- 2) Broadband Knapp
- 3) National Ocean Policy Update Vidaver
- 4) State Beach Closure Legislation- Scott

8)	Adjournment	
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Chairman Van Bueren ad	journed the meeting at approximately 9:00 P.M.
Name, Chair	
ATTEST:	
Name Secretary	