

Bay Point Municipal Advisory Committee



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Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors and the County Planning Agency.*

Record of Actions

7:00 pm
Tuesday, September 6, 2011

Council Members Garcia, Mason, Stevenson, Zumwalt, Kopitar, and Tremaine were present.

Others present: Mr. Ed Diokno of Supervisor Glover's office, Officer Eric Brewer of the Highway Patrol, Lt. Gwen Brady, Maureen Toms, and Ms. Tracy Craig, of Craig Communications.

Pledge of Allegiance: led by Chairwoman Lt. Brady

1. Approval of September 6, 2011 Agenda

Motion made by Councilwoman Kopitar to approve the corrected July 7, 2011 agenda. Seconded by Councilwoman Zumwalt. Motion carried 6 – 0.

2. Consent items

- a. Approval of monthly Recording Secretary invoice - \$120.00**
- b. Approval of Record of Actions of July 5, 2011**

Motion made by Councilwoman Zumwalt to approve the Consent Items. Seconded by Councilman Tremaine. Motion carried 6 – 0.

3. Public Comments:

Prior to Public Comment Chairperson Mason made a statement regarding the public's right to come to meeting and freely address the board without fear of reprisal. There had been an issue at another public meeting where this was not the case and she wanted to ask that the MAC members be more receptive and polite to the public who come and address them.

Mr. Lloyd Mason shared concerns about the prospect of Ambrose Recreation and Park District taking over the maintenance of the county parks in Bay Point. He felt that the Ambrose parks are a mess and not being properly maintained and there seems to be no accountability. He is also concerned that Ambrose does not have the staff or funds that would be needed to maintain the parks at the same level that the county currently does.

Tracy Craig gave a PG&E Pond update, they have received their EPA approval and expect work on the access road to begin September 12, 2011. There have been 5 local people hired 2 from Bay Point, 2 from Pittsburg and 1 other. Over the next three months we can expect an increase in trucks on Port Chicago Highway. Dredging should begin in mid November. There were work notices send out and there will be subsequent notices sent out as appropriate. Flagger and Truckers are being trained local Sheriffs and Firemen were invited to the training. Local hire should resume in mid September, still finishing permit process and are about a month behind at this time.

4. Agency Reports. The MAC received the following reports:

a. Contra Costa County Sheriff's Department – Lt. Gwen Brady

Lt. Gwen Brady gave out a crime report and discussed issues they are dealing with and how they are managing with fewer officers. She encouraged residents to stay alert and call when they see anything suspicious. Lt Brady also reported that the Sub-station Shore Acres had been remodeled and would now have volunteers there so residents could drop in and visit. She also shared they are almost ready to start a juvenile diversion program at Riverview Middle School with Officer Stabio.

b. California State Highway Patrol – Officer Eric Brewer

Officer Eric Brewer reported that there had been two DUI checkpoints in Bay Point and 25 cars had been impounded. He said that unfortunately the CHP are experiencing some of the same issues as the Sheriff's regarding fewer officers on the streets but they still try to help out in Bay Point whenever they can.

c. Redevelopment Report – Maureen Toms

Ms Toms reported there has been a lot of activity, there has been meeting with the Finance Committee and they are recommending that we opt in at his time which is a \$5.3 million cost to the county for the first year and then \$1.42 million in subsequent years. They are currently looking at a debt reduction plan and a buy back bonds. They are studying combining redevelopment areas which would be a benefit to Bay Point.

There is still a lawsuit before the California Supreme Court regarding the loss of redevelopment funds.

Jim Kennedy will be serving as the interim Executive Director of the California Redevelopment Association

There is no interest in anyone regarding the development of Orbisonion Heights due to

the current state of the economy.
Sterling requested a copy of the budget

d. Supervisor Federal Glover's Report – Ed Diokno

Mr. Diokno reported that Supervisor Grovers District boundaries have changed, he now has the waterfront area from Antioch all the way to Hercules. They have toured it and it was a large area to cover. The Supervisor is looking for a location in Martinez to have his main office but he will still have a small office in Pittsburg. At some point Supervisor Glover would call a meeting to bring together the 5 MACS that are now in his newly formed District.

The State Prison Realignment program will begin in October when the state will start to move prisoners to the local jails.

There is a Coastal Clean Up planned this month.

On September 24 there is an African American Health Empowerment Event, it is free and will run from 9am-3pm at Pittsburg High School.

Once again Supervisor Glover is offering his Grant Writing workshop at LMC it is free but registration is required.

On October 29, 2011 there will be a Peace in the Street Event at Pittsburg High School, it is sponsored by the Gang Task Force. They will have another event in the Spring.

Councilwoman Zumwalt expressed an interest in continuing to meet with the East County MAC's at least a couple times a year because we share so many things in common with them.

5. Presentations There were no presentations

6. Items for Discussion and/or Action

a. Adopt a Road Program

Council Stevenson reported that there will be a meeting on September 13, 2011 at the Ambrose Community Center in the Dining Room. The County will come at that time and explain the program. They will also select several areas to focus on at that meeting. Steve Cavin, a resident said he would be at the meeting.

b. Weed Abatement and Maintenance of County Parks

Warren Lui from Contra Costa County General Services he explained that the area of concern were areas that had no assessment funds to pay for the maintenance of weeds so the county got to them when they could. The options for Bay Point are to either have volunteers go out and maintain them or pass an assessment to pay for those areas. He said they were currently looking at the Adopt a Road program as a possible solution. MAC members expressed concerns that in the past the county was reluctant to let volunteers do this due to liabilities.

c. BAPMAC Mailing Address

Chairperson Mason informed the MAC that we had lost our P.O. Box because the bill had not been paid and it had subsequently assigned to someone else. She wanted to see about having the mail sent to the Ambrose Center since that is how it had been done in the past. She said she would meet with the Ambrose General Manager and ask if he had any objections. Mr. Diokno said we could also use the address if the Supervisor's office.

d. Approve budget expenditures for logo and meeting time.

Chairperson Mason asked for a motion to spend an amount not to exceed \$300 on the sign and up to \$80 for meeting space for the Adopt a Road meeting. Councilman Stevenson said we had approved these at a previous meeting but another vote was taken, he also stated there would be a \$25 charge for a map from the County. Councilman Stevenson made a motion to approve the expenditures, Councilman Tremaine seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

7. Committee Reports The MAC received the following reports:

a. CAP – Chairwoman Mason

Chairwoman Mason reported that they had gone on a tour of the Maintenance Dept at Criterion.

b. Code Enforcement – Tremaine

Councilman Tremaine reported that lots of people are attending the meetings. We continue to struggle with people dumping debris on the side of the road in Bay Point. He said General Services and Public Works are consolidating departments so there will be less money

c. Keller Mitigation – Zumwalt

Councilwoman Zumwalt reported that there were far more request for projects than there were funds available, however she had diligently read through all the proposals. She stated Bay Point was very lucky that funds were provided for our Resident Deputy, School Resource Officer, Code Enforcement and debris pick up but that did not leave much to be given to the public services grants.

8. Members' Reports

Joint meeting- Councilwoman Zumwalt and Councilman Tremaine both went to the meeting and enjoyed it.

Councilwoman Garcia shared a Family Emergency Plan and said that articles for the newsletter should be submitted to her by Oct 3, 2011. She also said she had taken it upon herself to write a letter to Tarry Smith, the General Manager of Ambrose Recreation and Park District, to ask for use of the Clearland Property on Oct. 22, 2011 for a community clean up. Councilman Stevenson stated it would be nice to have a list from the Chamber of all their members.

9. Correspondence.

none

10. Future Agenda Items.

Update Adopt a Road Program

11. Adjourn to meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 4, 2011, 7:00pm, at Ambrose Community Center's Board Room.

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