

NORTH COAST ADVISORY COUNCIL  
August 17, 2016

Chairman Ted Siegler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Ted called for a moment of reflection on Mike McLaughlin's death.

ROLL CALL:

Present: John Nixon, Marjorie Sewell, Don Sather, Shana McCormick, Mike Lyons, Ted Siegler, Cindy Steidel, Bruce Fosdike, Paul Carlson, Dawn Dunlap, Bruce Mumper, Mary Webb, CeCe Lomeli.

Excused: Bambi Fields, Barbara Beane, Susan McDonald, Laurel Stewart, Dixie Walker, Debby Mix, Aaron Linn.

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Approval: Bruce Fosdike moved to approve agenda. CeCe Lomeli 2<sup>nd</sup>. Unanimous.

Minutes Approval: John Nixon moved to approve minutes. Bruce Mumper 2<sup>nd</sup>. Unanimous.

PUBLIC/COUNCIL COMMENT:

- Will Benedict – SLO Bicycle Club, Sept. 24-Piedras Blancas bike ride. 1300 riders coming from different directions but turn around at Cypress Tree turnout, starting at 7 AM and ending around 5 PM. Will arrive in Cambria around 9:30 AM and return around 4 PM. CHP will send 3 vehicles. Expect to donate around \$100,000 to various groups, some will go to Cambria youth programs. Riders may stay two or more nights. Dir. Bahringer mentioned that the Tourism Board might help with funding.
- Steve Cole—Rod and Reel – Fish and Wildlife and Code Enforcement came to look at tree removal and creek– It's significant.
- Bruce Fosdike – Was at the Sobranes fire, then to emergency gall bladder surgery. About preparation for fire—get a box of favorite stuff together. There will a few days to prepare.
- Dawn Dunlap
  - The Tobacco Creek fire of 1960 burned 80 square miles –within a mile of Hearst Castle. Need to take care.

- Santa Rosa Creek very low. Near Dawn's property there were 17 watering troughs, now there are 3.
- Two weeks ago one of the homes on Dawn's property was ransacked and robbed.

## PUBLIC AGENCY REPORTS

### Public Safety – Commander Taylor

- 230 calls for service from Harmony to Ragged Point
- Training 7 new officers—should be ready for graveyard duty in September.

### CCSD – Director Bahringer

- EIR report will be out in August.
- Stage 3 water will be on the agenda for tomorrow's meeting.
- In line for new device for water in 2017.
- Mary Webb – is the tracer test going on now?
- Dir. Bahringer -tracer test will be up and running in September. Tour coming up soon for CCSD to check out what is going on.

### County Supervisor – Bruce Gibson

- Fire Safe group and Cal Fire – what is to be done with dead trees in developed neighborhoods. Hope to come with a plan.
- Chimney Fire – 7300 acres burned and 25% containment by lake.
- Fish and Wildlife – need to check out Rod and Reel. Code Enforcement has been there.
- 100 acres of clear cutting on Justin Winery property.
- Marijuana (medical and recreational) discussion coming up—has to do with where it's cultivated, permits, distribution of cultivation. California Valley—setting up 2-3 acre growth sites. No way to stop them as yet We're looking at huge social change. Trying to freeze it until some guidelines can be set up. Many problems – it's the will of the voters.
- Water, health care directives, other. Ask questions.
- Mary Webb – Are there permits for Rod and Reel? Sup. Gibson -- don't know yet. How about well permits? How can we check? Sup. Gibson – Yes, there are permits. Will be changes for water permits? Now are ministerial, not in Paso Robles Basin. Mary W. Thank you for your work on this.
- Steve Cole – Want to thank Cheri McGee and Mary for their work.

- Dawn Dunlap – For clarification 1957 not the 940's – for house torn down at Rod and Reel.

Wells on Santa Rosa Creek – running about 1-2 gallons per/min

County Planning – Airlin Singewald

- Cambria Christmas Market –OK'd for 5 years, limited to 3000 people daily, submit report on attendance by Christmas Market. Detailed Traffic Control Plan and parking plan limited to Burton. The Lodge needs to hire CHP officers for traffic safety and parking control.
- 201 Chatham Ln –asked for a continuance till Oct.
- Rod and Reel – Only permit that's been issued is for demolition of house, which is already done. Build roads, electrical, plantings, buildings, and such. Suggested that Rod and Reel people need to come and talk to the LUC.
- Ted Siegler for Laurel -- asked what is being done with the Whitehall Verizon site. Verizon will take out the retaining wall, steps, and restore the slope. Build a wooden fence around the site.

Mary W. – will it return to LUC?

Already approved—that the NCAC approved to begin with.

What about the Exotic Garden site? Not on a building, but will stay as set.

Paul C. – Towers are required for good service.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Transportation Expenditure Plan -Ron Dicarli SLOCOG

- Handed out brochure
- Measure J for tax increase going on the November ballot.
- Separate funding needed –gas and car efficiency so improved that \$\$ needed to improve infrastructure.
- Major fix from State unlikely – roads deteriorating
- Of new funds from tax – 80% goes to streets and roads— 10% to bicycles and pedestrians.
- Paul Carlson – How much for Cambria? \$1,000,000 to Cambria, but rest is not yet defined
- Don Sather—Community Projects – not yet defined
- Dave Flynn – Explained how it works, but not \$ amount.
- Sup. Gibson. – Decisions are made by County Supervisors. We need to be a self help community, so we receive more help.

- Shana McCormick – pathway on Burton (up the hill to Lodge) is very dangerous.
- Dir. Bahringer–Could this be combined with “safe to school” funds?  
Ans: All funds combined into one fund.
- Kathe Tanner – Trail up Lodge Hill considered to be an attractive nuisance. Ans. We’re aware that people will use it – at their own risk.

Land Use Committee -- Laurel Stewart by Mike Lyons

- DRC2016-00001 486 Bristol, Suvanto  
Enclose 216 Sq. ft. of exterior stairs of 2-story residence for a total of 2323 Sq. ft. Extension of an existing upstairs deck by 108 sq. ft.  
Recommend approval to include noted discrepancy of area, Since the new GSA may trigger additional project features – may need a fire dept. review.  
John Nixon moved to approve with recommendations. Bruce Fosdike 2<sup>nd</sup>. 9 yes, 1 abstention.
- DRC2015-00149 – 1770 Spencer, Finley  
Construct a 1 story garage/shop, approximately 500 sq. ft. on an 11,977 sf property, involving moving a retaining wall and paving of a driveway and proposed turnaround area.  
Recommend approval if the driveway and turnaround be permeable in nature.  
John Nixon moved to approve with recommendations.  
Bruce Fosdike 2<sup>nd</sup>. Unanimous.

Ted Siegler – Would like to adopt a position on Measure J. Will put on next months agenda.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF DESPUTE RESOLUTION POLICY

- Mary Webb – When a problem comes up, a person goes to executive board, it becomes anonymous. Not fair. Should go to whole council. Mostly concerned for the LUC—complaints could come from anyone—members of NCAC, contractors, people who have project. Hasn’t happened for 30 years, why now. Undemocratic.

- Ted Siegler. --If parties can't reach a decision, then a person can go to the executive committee.
  - Mike Lyons – the steps seem fair to me and would be a good vehicle for starters. Bring in the other party and hear that side. If not taken care of there, then the problem could come to the whole board. In favor of plan.
  - Don Sather—I'm a great fan of mediation. In favor of process.
  - John Nixon – Committee could decide, could be worse without procedure. It does bring order.
  - Dawn Dunlap – up to chairman to control the room.
  - Shana McCormick –anonymity is important. But one needs to tell the person that the behavior was offensive. A calm secure environment is necessary, but tell the person what is happening. Is there a number of times that there is a problem? Give the person a chance to modify behavior.
  - Ted S. –Need suggestions of modifications.
  - Bruce Mumper – Intended to stop this from happening again. Need to trust the Executive Committee. Bring people in separately to hear their stories.
  - Mike Lyons – the Exec. Comm. doesn't need to bring in both parties for the initial meeting.
  - Steve Cole – Is it possible to check with other NCAC's to discover what they do if there's a dispute? Bring it back to group.
  - Cindy Steidel –the plan is practical. Every community is different, so it depends on each one's needs. Is it helpful or is it fractious?
  - Mary Webb - one would think someone did something wrong. LUC is totally different. We are in the community seeing people in the neighborhood, contractors, developer, architect. There is a different view – more interactive with community.
  - CeCe Lomeli – We are advisory only. We need to be respectful.
  - Paul Carlson – All parties are brought in to discuss.
- John Nixon moved to accept the procedure. Shana McCormick 2nd. 9 yes, 1 opposed.

## NCAC REPORTS

Transportation Committee – Bruce Fosdike no (fighting fire, then to hospital.)

Website Committee – Paul Carlson -- Calendars working now-

LUC, Traffic, listed. Meetings listed. If changes, let Paul know.  
Treasurer's Report– Bruce Fosdike -- \$1083.18 in account.

Corresponding Secretary -- CeCe Lomeli

Three letters sent out. \$\$ in place for County – just needed to sign some papers for County.

Environmental Report – Bruce Mumper

- Cal Poly Professor gave an interesting Powerpoint talk on tree mortality. On their website for FFRP.
- FFRP –The clearing of trees is done for now.
- FFRP – found Monarch Butterfly site. Waiting to see if they come back. Then set something up so they can be viewed from a safe distance.
- Find uses or recycling dead trees.

Community Outreach – Shana McCormick

- Wants someone to join her at the Farmers Market in the Fall. Will send an e-mail with dates.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Kathe Tanner – Report on fire. 8,000 acres, 25% contained on northeast side by Lake. 45 structures gone, 7 damaged. Stand and deliver sites – Hearst Castle and Rocky Butte (built the box) and Truck trail. (Bruce Fosdike gave some info as part of this.)

NEW BUSINESS: None.

Bruce Fosdike moved to adjourn at 8:20 PM. Paul Carlson 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marjorie Sewell, Secretary