



City of Fort Bragg

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Meeting Minutes - Final Public Works and Facilities Committee

Thursday, July 16, 2015

3:00 PM

City Hall Conference Room, 416 N. Franklin Street

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by committee member Turner at 3:10pm

ROLL CALL

Staff Members Present: Tom Varga, Crystal Prairie, Linda Ruffing, Marie Jones.

Present: 2 - Dave Turner and Lindy Peters

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Receive and File Minutes from May 21, 2015 meeting of Public Works and Facilities Committee Meeting

These Committee Minutes were approved for council review

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Gene Mertle is opposed to new projects, especially City Surrounded By a Park. Doesn't want to pay more taxes. Concerned about upkeep and maintenance. Address: 190 Ebbing Way.

Dick Killion is opposed to City Surrounded by a Park and doesn't want to go to meetings or get emails. Address: 31581 Chestnut Street.

Melvin Pyorre is opposed to City Surrounded by a Park. Address: 519 S Sanderson Way.

Terry Vaughn not against or for City Surrounded by a Park. Address: 480 S Whipple Street.

Johnny Sutherland. Opposed to City Surrounded by a Park. Address: 20100 Lyta Way.

CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- 1 Receive Report Regarding Proposed Water Conservation Ordinance Amendments and Make Recommendation to City Council

Public Works Director Tom Varga gave a brief summary of the Water Conservation Ordinance. Committee Member Turner questioned who would be using potable water from another source by the City, there was mention of possible wells in town. City Manager Linda Ruffing mentioned the ordinance needs definitions. It has been sent to the City Attorney's office for review. Time is of the essence, as there is an approaching water emergency.

Terry Vaughn mentioned CDF and Calfire is pumping water out of the Noyo for dust control at logging operations and wanted to know if the City has ever investigated this. It is happening now on Road 350 near the egg taking station.

Committee member Lindy Peters mentioned Saturday would not be a good day to restrict water usage due to people using parks. Ruffing mentioned Saturday is the highest consumption day.

There was discussion about which decisions are to be made by Council, and who is responsible for other decisions.

There was discussion of fees for offenses in various stages. Fees be sent forward to Council with the Ordinance.

The appeal process is not currently mentioned in the Ordinance.

Necessary edits would be: Section 14.06.050, page 2, needs the word "potable" in front of "water," OR a definition of "water" as "Potable water provided by the City of Fort Bragg." Remove paragraph 2 from page 3. Change days on Paragraph 3 to Mondays and Thursdays. Consider combining Section 4 with Section 1. Remove 4 (d) on Page 4. Remove 1 a, 2, 3, 4 in Stage 2 on Page 4.

There was discussion about incentives to help customers with conservation. There was also discussion about people not being able to conserve more than they already are. We are not required to have a specific percentage reduction at this time.

There was discussion about enforcement of the ordinance.

City Manager Ruffing recommended edits be made and brought forward to the next City Council Meeting strictly for discussion, and then to a later meeting for introduction.

This Staff Report was recommended for approval.

2 Review and Discuss 2009 City of Fort Bragg Bicycle Master Plan and 2012 Mendocino County Regional Bikeway Plan

Public Works Director Varga made a brief introduction of the item stating Committee Member Peters wanted to have a discussion regarding the bike plans.

Committee Member Peters mentioned that there are some high priority areas in the 2012 Mendocino County Regional Bikeway Plan that have been maintained, and others have not. According to Dan Gjerde, in the past there had to be a plan in order to get funding. He suggested we take some areas and move forward to get grant money.

Public Works Director Varga explained the difference in Class 1, 2, and 3 bike lanes. Class 3 is only signs, so he suggested we limit the discussion to Class 1 and 2. Redwood Ave is pending. Boatyard Drive is pending. Section in front of McDonalds and from McDonalds to the bridge is problematic for riders. Take a look at Highway 1 to Highway 20 Boatyard loop. Madrone from Main St to Harold is pending, everything else is done. 2/3 of high priority items are done.

There was discussion of lack of room in certain areas for bicycles and the Pacific Coast Bikeway. Recommend to Council write a letter to Caltrans requesting work.

The current City plan is thorough. May need updating and may be done in the next two years.

Terry Vaughn mentioned that Jackson State Forest is a huge attraction for mountain biking. Sudden Oak Death Syndrome is now in the area as well. Suggested City put up signage, maps, toilet facilities, and staging stations for mountain bikers.

This Staff Report was referred to staff

MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned by Committee Member Turner at 4:55