

REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
CORTE MADERA TOWN COUNCIL AND SANITARY DISTRICT #2 BOARD

In the Town Hall of the Town of Corte Madera, on July 7, 2009 at 7:40 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Dupar
Councilmembers Cock, Condon, Lappert

Town Manager David Bracken
Sanitary Services Manager Barry Hogue
Town Clerk Christine Green
Twin Cities Police Chief Phil Green

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 54956.9: One Potential Case

Mayor Dupar reported the Council met in Closed Session and no action was taken.

OPEN SESSION

Salute to the Flag

1. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION

David Hyams referred to the Town Council's recent action regarding Marin Clean Energy and requested an update on the partnership proposal from PG&E. The Town Manager stated he met with Joe Nation of PG&E to discuss a program involving the 3 agencies (Novato, Larkspur, and Corte Madera) who opted out of MCE. He said the program is still early in the planning stages but is expected to develop a cleaner and more rewarding proposal than that offered by MCE.

2. COUNCIL AND TOWN MANAGER REPORTS

- Council Reports

Councilmember Condon provided the following report:

- She received information that AB 1232, which she spoke out against at a previous LAFCO meeting, has been amended to exclude the component which would have allowed LAFCO to force consolidation of Sanitary District No. 2 with others in the local area;
- She and Councilmember Cock rode together in the Town's July 4th Parade. She said the parade was great fun and there was a terrific turn-out.

Councilmember Cock thanked staff and the Chamber of Commerce for their efforts in providing a

beautiful and much enjoyed parade.

Mayor Dupar apologized for not attending the parade, stating he was in Boston.

CONSENT CALENDAR
Town Items

- 3a. Approved Warrant and Payroll for the Period June 10, 2009, through June 30, 2009, Warrant Check Numbers 123487 through 123608 and Payroll Check Numbers 2914 Through 2946, Payroll Direct Deposit Numbers 13941 through 14149, and Payroll Wire Transfer Numbers 900 through 911
- 3b. Approved Investment Transactions for the Month of May, 2009
- 3c. Approved and Authorized the Mayor to Sign a Letter to the Marin County Civil Grand Jury Concerning "Marin Homeless: The 'Invisible' Problem That Won't Disappear
- 3d. Adopted Resolution No. 3605 Authorizing the Formation of the Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Housing Element and Authorized Staff to Advertise for the Public to Apply for Appointment to the Committee
- 3e. Adopted Resolution No. 3606 Calling Election and Requesting Consolidation of the November 3, 2009 Election

MOTION: Moved by Lappert, seconded by Cock, and carried unanimously by those present,
To approve Consent Calendar items 3a through 3e.

Sanitary District Item

- 3f. Adopted Resolution No. 3607 Supporting Central Marin Sanitation Agency's Food Waste to Energy Pilot Program

MOTION: Moved by Condon, seconded by Lappert, and carried unanimously by those present,
To approve Consent Calendar item 3f.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Sanitary District Item

- 4. Adopted a Resolution Approving the Sanitary Sewer Management Plan

The Sanitary Service Manager presented the staff report, stating that all publicly owned sanitary sewer collection systems greater than one mile in length are required to take all feasible steps to prevent overflows, develop a Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP), and comply with all reporting requirements. He reviewed the SSMP Development Plan and Schedule, approved in December 2007, that set forth the plan's 11 elements which identify system goals, implementation, responsibility, management, and reporting. He said the plan is essentially a standardized framework for the ongoing development and monitoring of best practices for maintaining the District's current sewer system.

Councilmember Lappert noted that the use of food grinders in commercial kitchens is prohibited by a number of sanitary districts, said this could eliminate a significant amount of the trouble currently facing Sanitary District No. 2, and asked if there are any plans to instate such a ban here. Mr. Hogue said this is not allowed in this service area either. He said the District has budgeted for a source control program in partnership with CMSA (Central Marin Sanitation Agency) which will require all food service establishments to upgrade their grease interceptors. The program will also require annual inspection and certification of the interceptors with the goal of defraying the cost of fats, oils, and grease (FOG) control measures back to the source.

Mayor Dupar referred to the current CMSA program aimed at preventing the sewage disposal of mercury from dental offices and asked how that is governed. Mr. Hogue explained that CMSA is authorized to manage the program in Sanitary District No. 2's service area. He stated they have a certified staff of inspectors best equipped to deal with the development of the program.

George Topor noted that compact fluorescent bulbs also contain mercury and asked how that is being managed. Mr. Hogue said it would fall more towards hazardous waste collection.

David Hyams asked for more information on Consent Calendar item 3f. Mayor Dupar reviewed the Food Waste to Energy program which is designed to divert commercial food waste from the landfill to CMSA's plant for conversion to methane gas. Mr. Hyams asked if there are any plans to expand that into a residential food waste program. Mayor Dupar said it is a possibility, but explained that CMSA has a limited capacity. He noted there are other agencies that could potentially divert additional food waste for their own use in a similar program.

MOTION: Moved by Lappert, seconded by Condon, and carried unanimously by those present,

To adopt Resolution No. 2009-3 approving the Sanitary Sewer Management Plan.

Town Item

5. Discussion and Possible Action Concerning Vacancies on Town Boards and Commissions

The Town Clerk stated that a number of terms on the Town's boards and commission have expired. She reviewed the vacancies and provided the applications for those requesting reappointment. She noted there is also one new application to the Parks & Recreation Commission included.

Mayor Dupar asked if any of these positions have been advertised. Mrs. Green said no, with the exception of the Accessibility Advisory Commission.

Councilmember Lappert asked how many vacancies could be filled by those requesting reappointment. Mrs. Green said the Parks & Recreation Commission has 4 vacancies; 2 expired Commissioners have requested reappointment in addition to one new application. The Flood Control Board has 3 open seats, all of which could be filled by reappointment. She stated the Accessibility Advisory Commission has 2 seats open and 1 Commissioner has requested reappointment.

Councilmember Lappert said that any reappointment requests should be granted. Mrs. Green noted that even with the new application, the Parks and Recreation Commission would still have 1 vacancy. She suggested the Council consider a youth representative to fill the seat. She also noted that the Flood Control Board has the potential for 7 members and the Accessibility Advisory Commission has 1 additional vacancy which has already been advertised.

Councilmember Condon supported the reappointment of both Planning Commissioners and said it would be helpful to maximize the number of Flood Control Board members.

Mayor Dupar acknowledged the expense associated with advertising these positions, noted the Town retains old applications, and suggested that staff contact former applicants who indicated an interest in reconsideration. Mrs. Green confirmed the Council's direction to do so with regards to any vacancies following the appointments made this evening.

Councilmember Lappert requested that the remaining Accessibility Advisory Commission vacancy be filled with a member of the disabled community and stressed the need for their unique perspective. Mayor Dupar concurred and Mrs. Green confirmed that the preference was advertized.

George Topor suggested that the Town website advertize various commission openings throughout the year.

Kitty Prosser thanked the Council for her re-appointment and said she very much enjoyed the July 4th parade.

MOTION: Moved by Condon, seconded by Cock, and carried unanimously by those present,
To re-appoint Sloan Bailey and Peter Schwartz to the Planning Commission.

MOTION: Moved by Cock, seconded by Condon, and carried unanimously by those present,

To reappoint Kim Noble Baez and Kitty Prosser to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

MOTION: Moved by Cock, seconded by Lappert, and carried unanimously by those present,
To appoint Hartley West to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

MOTION: Moved by Cock, seconded by Condon, and carried unanimously by those present,
To re-appoint Stephanie Bennett, Bob Bundy, and Vaso Medigovich to the Flood Control Board.

MOTION: Moved by Lappert, seconded by Cock, and carried unanimously by those present,
To re-appoint Stuart Tanenburg to the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

The Council directed staff to: (1) contact former applicants for possible appointment; (2) advertise any remaining vacancies; and (3) contact the Flood Control Board to establish the desired number of members.

Mayor Dupar acknowledged 2 Boy Scouts in the audience. Will and Michael Amos introduced themselves, stating that they are currently Life Scouts in pursuit of the Eagle Scout title.

6. Approve Minutes of June 16 and June 25, 2009

- June 16, 2009

MOTION: Moved by Cock, seconded by Condon, and carried unanimously by those present,
To approve the Minutes of June 16, 2009 as drafted.

- June 25, 2009

MOTION: Moved by Condon, seconded by Cock, and carried unanimously by those present,
To approve the Minutes of June 25, 2009 as drafted.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m. to the next regular meeting on August.