

Minutes of the regular meeting of the San Anselmo City Council held May 26, 1970  
Present Councilman Perry, Capurro, Anderson, Stewart, Reed  
Mayor Reed, presiding

M/S Councilman Stewart-Perry approval of the minutes of April 20 and May 12 as corrected. Passed unanimously

April 28, 1970

Appeal - Ramona Castagnino:

Sentence to read: The other public consideration is preserving small and inexpensive living units which are of a good quality.

Add to the end of this paragraph. "This did not constitute an abandonment as there was no intent to give up the use, considering the zoning context this "discontinuance" is synonymous with abandonment. The temporary non-use for the purpose of finding a suitable tenant can be distinguished from abandonment."

On manedment to motion, change word "conditionally" to "additionally".

May 12, 1970

Pave parkway strip, 337 Greenfield Ave.

On motion to inform Mr. Mazzio he can put any material in area except concrete, add "and asphalt".

Spring clean-up

Councilman Stewart stated he feels most people would think it an affront to have to produce drivers license to put their trash into box in City of San Anselmo and with this in mind, he was suggesting we write letters to other cities suggesting they have cleanup on same date.

PUBLIC EXPRESSION

Mr. Farey suggested city install more bicycle racks such as the one in front of the City Hall. Council advised Mr. Farey this matter will be discussed at Public Works budget session. Mr. Farey also stated Town meeting group will hold a meeting at Wade Thomas School on June 3, 1970.

JOINT MEETING WISANSANSELMOL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIST.

1. Tiny Tot lot, Wade Thomas School: Mr. Henry Cole presented and explained landscape architect plans for this tot lot. Estimate cost \$25,000.00, phase #1 \$13,000.00. It is hoped much of the play equipment could be built by citizens of the community on a volunteer basis. Dr. Weden said the reason they are bringing this to the attention of the council, is, in financing, they would like to be able to involve some city equipment and city help. Mayor Reed asked if they had an estimate of time and cost this would involve? Mr. Cole did not have same at this time. Paul Brand, Mr. Lancellotti spoke on subject. Robert England asked if this would be available during school hours. Mr. Parodi said yes and no, at times tiny tots in area could use same but also kindergarten children would use it.

Mrs. Menz stated she feels need for a tot lot at every elementary school but to spend \$13,000. or \$25,000. for one school when others have nothing. There is a space at Brookside School 30x30 that has lawn, trees and all it would need would be additional fence that could be used, would like to have this given consideration for a tot lot. Mayor Reed said this is basically a school issue and in speaking for himself and members of council they all know the need for tot lots, but at this point what council is going to need from school board on this issue is how many men ad how many hours needed. The City plans it's next tot lot will be at Robson-Harrington park.

Dr. Weden asked what age group is being planned for Robson-Harrington so they would not be duplicating. Robt. England said they plan a small tot lot area for children from one to five or pre-school age.

Mr. Scalabrini said he thinks design shown tonight is a good one, feels City Council and School Board should get together as one board. Mayor suggests meeting of Parks & Recreation Commission, School Board and Councilman Stewart as liason for City Council, go over map of city land and map of school land, find out what are priorities for developing, maybe make it a five year plan.

Robert England asked if School Board would like to join Parks & Recreation Commission and Council on tour of recreation facilities on June 14 at 10:00 a.m.

Mayor asked City Administrator to write letter to Parks & Recreation Commission to set up meeting with groups involved.

2. Park & Recreation Agreement: Mr. Latcham stated he read same over, good basic format for agreement, thinks could go to counsel for both sides, they could put it into proper form, basicly same format as before, spells out use of facilities on both sides and this is what is desired, left an open thought as to custodian charge, don't think we ever faced this problem before, whether this is serious or not, he doesn't know. Don't see anything contrary to what we have been doing in the past. Mr. Parodi said from his point of view, at times it tends to set aside district too much for the San Anselmo city limits area itself, rather than consider the district as a whole. School District has to think about the total district, the outside area also helps to support as far as community services funds are concerned. Also where ever activities are undertaken by the Parks & Recreation, they should be supervised and the word supervised should be left in there as it was at one time.

Mayor Reed said items raised by Mr. Parodi should be touched on briefly.

A. We have had some problems in our Recreation Department servicing areas outside our taxing jurisdiction, in so doing we are probably stretching our authority far beyond anything intended by a municipal corporation. Our feeling, if we only use schools within the district, only use facilities within the district and provide services to children going to these schools, but if we start serving Sleepy Hollow with out recreation program, we are serving people who are not paying taxes to support it.

B. Relating to the supervised recreation program, we will supervise all the programs we put on, but do not want to be obliged to supervise playgrounds when school is not in session. Mayor Reed asked City Administrator to set up meeting between school-city council committee for further study.

3. Community services fund: Mr. Parodi presented a sheet on community services fund expenditures, approximate amount received is \$17,500. per year, sheets shows on half the money used for salaries of custodians, etc. other half going to projects such as the Wade Thomas School one. This money can only be used for community services projects, cannot be used for teachers salaries.

4. Sonoma-Sir Francis Drake safety barrier: John O'Rourke reported on safety barrier, estimate cost \$3,175.00, this does not take into consideration land acquisition. Mr. Parodi said school board supports suggestion by Councilman Capurro, that is closing entrance to Service Station and making lane going into Sonoms Ave. Mayor Reed would like to have City Engineer present for further discussion and referred same to committee.

5. Rezoning of Isabel Cook site to "Commercial". Dr. Weden would like to get an expression from council on matter of rezoning this property when there is no longer a need for Isabel Cook School, they would like to have the benefit of zoning for a high use before they sold the property, council felt this is an item that would have to be taken up by Planning Commission.

6. Request from Isabel Cook PTA for equipment: This request is for use of city equipment to do some work at Isabel Cook School. John O'Rourke feels this would be alright but should be operated by a city crew employee.  
M/S Councilman Capurro-Stewart to loan PTA a jack hammer, compress and ump truck for one day's use, same to be operated by city employee on a week day. Passed unanimously

PUBLIC HEARING: Letter to the President and anti-war resolution. **CORRECTED PAGE 35**

This was date set for public hearing on letter and resolution presented by Jan. Fairchild asking council's approval. Following present spoke for and against same.

Betty Storz	Mr. & Mrs. R. Fairchild	Val Schaaf
David & Carroll Leach	Judy Emis	John Evans
Paul Brand	Dan Goltz	Hans Schneider
Robert England	Sally Melton	Wm Trehwella
Martin Schaaf	Mrs. John Holm	Chas. Best
Jan Fairchild	Nelson King	Richard Metz
Mrs. Moore	Dennis Leazure	Norman Leach
Dr. James Miller		

Councilman Capurro stated he is deeply concerned with certain movements in the country today, he is opposed to war, but would support his flag, his country and his President.

Councilman Perry called the war "an economic disaster and a local disaster", we have to have an orderly withdrawal, felt the resolution was not a council function, is not in favor of the war.

Councilman Anderson said he thinks this is a local issue, too important not to be a local one, only change he would make in resolution is address it to Congress not the President.

Councilman Stewart said he feels we should act on this, thinks resolution is very well drafted and is going to vote in favor of same and urges rest of council to also vote on same.

Mayor Reed said he does not agree with first line of resolution, he is desirous of a quick end to the hostilities, don't feel City Council should speak for 13,00 inhabitants agrees with letter but there is a difference between acting as a citizen of the U.S. and acting as a councilman, international affairs are handled by the federal government, don't think we have the right.

M/S Councilman Stewart-Anderson accept resolution as presented by Jan. Fairchild for endorsement by City Council and forward same to the President of the U.S. Councilman Anderson asked to amend motion to send to Congress rather than President. Amendment accepted by Councilman Stewart. Motion failed to pass on following vote:

Ayes Councilmen: Anderson, Stewart

Noes Councilmen: Perry, Capurro, Reed

REQUEST FOR ENDORSEMENT OF PROPOSITION "A"

Mrs. Ainsworth, representing citizens committee for low housing for aged spoke to council on endorsing same.

M/S Councilman Capurro-Anderson to endorse proposition "A". Passed unanimously

SIDEWALKS

Notice to correct deficiencies: Notices had been sent for public hearing on property of Angela Pierce, 230-270 Greenfield Avenue, no one present for hearing.

M/S Councilman Anderson-Stewart to instruct the City Engineer to take proper steps to have the property owner take care of same. Passed unanimously

Property of Angelina Agin, 180 Tunstead Ave. M/S Councilman Capurro-Anderson instruct City Engineer to proceed on same. Passed unanimously

Permission to place sidewalk adjacent to curb at 300 & 310 Greenfield Ave. M/S Councilman Anderson-Perry to approve request. Passed unanimously. John O'Rourke to check matter of pole in area.

CREEKSID PARKING LOT

Mr. Bardet, Real Estate representative for Mobil Oil Company asked council for their opinion on Mobil Oil Corporation acquiring 20,000 ft. of city property at Sir Francis Drake and Center. It was the unanimous opinion of the city that City would not give up this property.

SAN ANSELMO HOMES ASSOC. letter offering their assistance of starting landscaping of area in the vicinity of the Hub, they would offer volunteer labor and donate shrubs and plants. Penny Moore spoke for the Homes Association. City Administrator stated that this is a budget item and will be discussed at that time and will inform the Homes Association. Mayor expressed council's appreciation for this offer.

REQUEST FOR FREE STANDING SIGN, UNITED RENT-ALL

Memo from City Engineer stating under proposed sign ordinance as well as existing ordinance applicant would have to show hardship for a free standing sign for this type of business, and no hardship has been shown.

M/S Councilman Stewart-Perry request for free standing sign at Belle & San Anselmo Avenue be denied on basis no hardship has been shown. Passed unanimously

DRAINAGE ON FLORIBEL AVENUE

Councilman Perry said Mrs. Rapp would like to have this re-scheduled for later meeting date. John O'Rourke spoke on plan presented and said City Engineer recommends owner open up section, only other alternative would be for owner to modify catch basin.

City Attorney stated according to data we have, creek was diverted into channel, all city wants to do is have water picked up.

As this has been discussed at numerous meetings, Councilman Anderson moves that city council finds the flowing of mud, silt and debris from the Maggiolo & Torney properties onto Floribel Avenue to be a public nuisance and hereby vote same abated by a method subject to the approval of the City Engineer, work to start within 30 days and to be finished before Sept. 1st. City Attorney suggested, provided however, that if Mr. Leitzell finds as a matter of engineering fact, that the present catch basin is adequate to carry all the water, that no construction will be necessary. Motion passed on following vote:

Ayes Councilmen: Perry, Anderson, Stewart, Reed

Noes Councilman: Capurro

M/S Councilman Anderson-Perry to put over drainage problem of Mrs. Rapp. Passed unanimously

SALARY DISCUSSION

City Administrator presented proposal on cost of living increase, 2½% increase for longevity and reappraisal of retirement system. Mayor Reed said he would prefer to set aside matter of Social Security and have City Attorney look into same. Councilman Capurro suggests putting this off until budget session. Councilman Perry suggests City Council sit in executive session and review all items presented by City Administrator. Matter put over.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

Board of Review: M/S Councilman Anderson-Stewart approval to the appointment of Gerald Devore term expires Jan. 15, 1972. Passed unanimously

Creek Committee: Mayor Reed appointed Thos. Peacock to serve on this committee.

Design Review Committee: M/S Councilman Perry-Capurro approval to the appointment of Thos. Cagwin and re-appointment of James McDonald terms expire April 15, 1974. Passed unan. Councilman Anderson nominates Walter Anderson to Design Review Committee.

Councilman Capurro nominates A.C. Signorelli to Design Review Committee.

Roll Call to vote on above candidates was as follows: Councilman Anderson voting for Walter Anderson. Councilmen Perry, Capurro, Stewart, Reed voting for A.C. Signorelli.

M/S Councilman Perry-Capurro approval to the appointment of A.C. Signorelli, term expires April 15, 1974. Passed unanimously

Library Board: Roll was called to vote on the following candidates.

For the appointment of John Burk - Councilmen Anderson, Stewart, Reed

For the appointment of Reuben Smith - Councilmen Perry-Capurro

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John Burk appointed to serve on Library Board, term to expire June 30, 1973.

HUMAN RIGHTS MINI-BOARD: M/S Councilman Anderson-Perry approval to the appointment of Vernon S. Cox and Thos. Dahlgren. Passed unanimously

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION: M/S Councilman Perry-Anderson approval to the appointment of Lawrence Gapinski and the re-appointment of Dr. Jay Stovall. Passed unanimously

PLANNING COMMISSION

M/S Councilman Anderson-Capurro approval to the appointment of Duane C. Ragan, term expires April 18, 1974. Passed unanimously

M/S Councilman Perry-Stewart approval to the appointment of John Colteaux, term expires April 18, 1972. Passed unanimously

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M/S Councilman Anderson-Perry approval to the re-appointment of Martin Stuart, term expires April 18, 1974. Passed unanimously

Roll was called to vote on the following candidates:

For the appointment of Dan Goltz - Councilman Capurro-Stewart

For the appointment of David Strassman - Councilman Perry, Anderson, Reed

David Strassman appointed to serve as a member of the Planning Commission term expires April 18, 1971.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

1. Bids received from the following for improvements to Station #1.

Louie Zapaniti	2,336.00	Stan's Carpenter	2,046.00
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Marin Remodeling	2,126.35	Paul Rambke	1,858.00
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M/S Councilman Capurro-Perry accept bid of Paul Rambke in the amount of \$1,858.00 same contingent on approval of Fire Chief and City Engineer. Passed unanimously

Mayor set date of June 15, 1970 as the deadline to remove fire menaces as required in Sec. 3.3-610 of the Municipal Code.

COST SHARING,, ANIMAL CONTROL

City Administrator read letter from Frank Egger opposing this, also stated this was discussed at Managers meeting, feel service very inadequate. Mayor Reed stated should insist on better service and asked this matter be put over until our next meeting and invite Mel Morse to attend.

Resolution No. 1301 Flood relief Aid.

M/S Councilman Capurro-Anderson adoption of same. Passed unanimously

Modification of agreement with Sleepy Hollow Fire District.

M/S Councilman Anderson-Capurro approval of same and Mayor to sign. Passed unanimously

Ordinance No. 599 Carrying concealed weapons. First reading in full

Hearings: Following dates set for budget hearings: June 3, 11, 16, 17 at 7:30 p.m.

M/S Councilman Anderson-Stewart permission be granted City Administrator to be out of City on July 25 and 26. Passed unanimously

Councilman Stewart spoke on phone call he had received regarding musical concert, same free to city. Mayor Reed appointed Councilman Stewart a committee of one to investigate same. Homes Association are planning a 4th of July event and maybe could have concert. Letter be sent to Musicians Union.

Meeting adjourned 1:00 a.m. until June 3, 1970.

Anita Gannon, City Clerk