

Regular Town Council Meeting October 28, 1980

Mayor Capurro convened the meeting with Councilmembers Toal, Convis, Wooliever and Buckle present.

2. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Leigh Wooster representing the Chamber of Commerce announced that the merchants are sponsoring a San Anselmo Open House on November 8th and requested a variance on the Outdoor Display of Merchandise ordinance for that day. The Director of Public Works will handle.

3. APPOINTMENTS

a. Board of Review. Councilmember Toal nominated Barbara Verkozen for reappointment. Nominations held open to November 11th.

4. SAN ANSELMO VOLUNTEER EFFORT REPORT ON START OF NEIGHBORHOOD ALERT PROGRAM

Maragret Melsh, coordinator of the San Anselmo Volunteer Effort, announced that the Neighborhood Alert Program was ready to commence and the Volunteer Bureau in cooperation with the Police Department will assist individual neighborhoods in establishing programs wherein private citizens will become aware of ways and means to assist in crime prevention by alerting the Police Department of suspicious observations, etc.

5. ORDINANCE ADOPTING 1979 UNIFORM BUILDING, MECHANICAL, PLUMBING, HOUSING, SOLAR ENERGY AND SWIMMING POOL CODES, AND 1978 NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS AND SIMPLIFICATIONS

Public hearing was held with representatives of the Builders Exchange and the roofing industry present. Council was advised that the industry representatives were in agreement with the ordinance as introduced with respect to the requirement for fire-resistive treatment of wood shingles and shakes, which represents a compromise to the Fire Marshal's original proposal for out-right prohibition.

There was a concensus concern of Council as to the added cost of the treatment. Mayor Capurro suggested that Fire zones be established, with the requirement applicable only in high danger zones. The Fire Marshal advised that it would be difficult, if not impossible, to draw such lines inasmuch as the whole Town would be susceptible to flying sparks and embers in a major fire. Councilmember Buckle suggested that the ordinance should provide for alternative methods or materials to meet the requirements of a Class C roof. Staff advised the Uniform Building Code does provide for alternatives subject to staff approval with an appeal process to the Board of Permit Appeals.

M/S Toal, Convis to adopt Ordinance No. 790 amending Title 9 of the San Anselmo Municipal Code, Chapters 1, 2, 6, 10, 11, 13, 14 and adding Chapter 15, adopting the 1979 Editions of the Uniform Building Code, the Uniform Mechanical Code, the Uniform Plumbing Code, the Uniform Housing Code, the Uniform Solar Energy Code, the Uniform Swimming Pool Code, and the 1978 Edition of the National Electric Code, subject to possible rewording for clarification purposes subsequent to meeting between the Fire Marshal and Councilmembers Toal and Buckle, with any suggested changes to come back to the Council after review by the Builders Exchange. Motion passed on a 4 - 1 vote with Mayor Capurro voting No on the basis of his opinion that the ordinance should not be adopted if it is still subject to further change.

6. RESOLUTION REVISING BUILDING FEES

M/S Buckle, Toal to adopt Resolution No. 1850 setting and amending fees for permits under Title 9 of the San Anselmo Municipal Code. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

7. FORBES AVENUE RESIDENTS REQUESTING SIDEWALK INSTALLATION ON "S" CURVE

Residents of Forbes Avenue presented their request to complete sidewalk construction on Forbes Avenue to alleviate the pedestrian hazard created by the necessity to walk out into the street on a dangerous curve. Staff advised that this will require 250 feet of sidewalk adjacent to #70 Forbes and 40 feet adjacent to 100 Forbes, and that while legally possible to require the property owners to install, it would appear to be an unfair financial burden on the owners of #70 Forbes, suggesting alternative financing with contributions from other Forbes Avenue property owners and the Town.

A formal public hearing was set for November 25th for the purpose of exploring financing alternatives for the extension of Forbes Avenue sidewalk, and to hear protests from owners of 70 Forbes Avenue and 100 Forbes Avenue.

8. ORDINANCE PREZONING LANDS ABUTTING SAN FRANCISCO BLVD. FOR PURPOSES OF ANNEXATION PROCEEDINGS

M/S Toal, Convis to adopt Ordinance No. 791 rezoning lands abutting San Francisco Boulevard, Los Angeles Boulevard, Sacramento Avenue, Pasadena Avenue, Carmel Way, Miwok Drive and Santa Barbara Boulevard to Town of San Anselmo zoning designations. Passed unanimously

Councilman Buckle suggested that the owners of the parcels in Blocks 171 & 172 of Assessor's Map 177 should be notified of the Council's expressed intent to consider rezoning for lower density if and when annexed to the Town.

M/S Toal, Wooliver to adopt Resolution No. 1851 of application to the Marin Local Agency Formation Commission for the San Francisco Boulevard Annexation pursuant to the Municipal Organization Act. Passed unanimously.

9. COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS, COMMENTS AND DIRECTIONS TO STAFF

Councilmember Toal suggested that the Robson-Harrington House situation be agendaed for the November 25th meeting.

Councilmember Convis conveyed a question from the Chamber of Commerce as to whether the Town planned to assist in any advertising for the Christmas shopping season.

Councilmember Buckle inquired as to the decision of the Traffic Safety Committee on the request for prohibited parking on one side of Santa Cruz. Staff advised decision was against in consideration of the fact the situation on Santa Cruz is no worse than on many other narrow streets in Town, and red-lining would create inconvenience for the residents and compound the situation on other streets with the overflow of parked cars.

Councilmember Buckle questioned the settlement trenches on the soccer field at Memorial Park. Staff advised that this can probably be corrected by Parks staff without necessity of referral to the Sanitary District.

Councilmember Wooliever conveyed the concern of a resident at the end of Alder as a result of an automobile going through the existing fence from Center. Referred to Traffic Safety Committee.

Mayor Capurro called staff attention to a resumption of the litter problem at the Town Hall Deli.

Mayor Capurro expressed concern at the handling of lumber storage by Freitas Building Supply on Greenfield. Public Works Director will follow up.

10. BONNEY AND RANALD COCKBURN GIFT OF HARRY C. BEST OIL PAINTING

Council accepted the gift by Bonney and Ranald Cockburn to the Town of the oil painting by Harry Cassie Best titled "The Yosemite Valley from Artists' Point", directing the Administrator to acknowledge in writing with thanks for this generous gift. Council determined that formal acceptance and permanent hanging be accomplished at an appropriate ceremony to be held after minor repairs are made to the frame and hanging location determined.

11. ADMINISTRATOR RECOMMENDING AUTHORIZE LOCAL ADMINISTRATION OF EMPLOYEE/RETIREE HEALTH PLANS

Council assured retirees present that no change in the Town's participation in the continuation of retiree health plan is contemplated and the transfer of administration would not interrupt or substantially change the present programs.

M/S Toal, Convis subject to reconsideration if warranted by PERS action November 19th, to revoke Resolution No. 1260 of July 8, 1969 electing to be subject to the State Employees Medical & Hospital Care Act, and to authorize the Administrator to take all necessary steps to transfer Town employees and retirees to locally administered health plans, effective December 1, 1980, or at the earliest feasible date thereafter. Passed unanimously.

Council directed that retirees receive assurance in writing of their continued coverage.

- 12 CONSENT AGENDA M/S Buckle, Toal to pass consent agenda. Passed unanimously.
- Approved minutes of meeting of October 14, 1980.
 - Approved warrant register for 10/1-15/80.
 - Authorized Town Librarian to join other Marin County libraries in grant request to San Francisco Foundation.

ADJOURNED at 10:35 P.M. to regular meeting November 11, 1980.

LIBBY HANSON, Secretary