

MINUTES OF MEETING OF AUGUST 9, 1983

Mayor Wooliever convened the meeting at Drake High School Little Theater with Councilmembers Toal, Capurro, Ollinger and Buckle present.

2. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Sheriff Prandi addressed the meeting, complimenting the Town on its Police Department and suggesting that budget priorities should be given to public safety.

Toal requested an executive session following this meeting with the Town Attorney on a personnel matter - this request supported by Capurro and Buckle.

3. ADVISORY TAX MEASURE

Council discussion, with audience input, indicated a majority consensus of dissatisfaction with the wording of the ballot measure submitted in Resolution No. 1954 calling an election for November 8th, and that to defer the election to December 13th would lighten time pressure to develop ballot measure wording informational to the voters, to be presented in either an official or non-official election.

M/S Toal, Ollinger to reconsider Resolution No. 1954 calling for an election on November 8, 1983. Motion passed with four ayes, Capurro voting no.

Thereafter, M/S Toal, Ollinger to rescind Resolution No. 1954. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Thereafter, M/S Toal, Buckle to adopt a resolution calling for an official election to be held in San Anselmo on December 13, 1983. Motion was withdrawn because of uncertainty as to Statewide election on that date.

M/S Toal, Ollinger to call an unofficial election on December 13th. Motion passed on a 3 - 2 vote with Buckle and Capurro voting no on the basis of their belief that such an election should be official.

The Administrator suggested that in order to develop unbiased and properly informative wording for a ballot measure that this task be turned over to neutral survey experts Professors Ray Wolfinger and Jack Citrin of the University of California at Berkeley Political Science faculty as recommended by the Mervin Field organization, and who have agreed to undertake the assignment at a nominal fee estimated at \$900.

M/S Buckle, Toal to authorize the Administrator to engage Professors Wolfinger and Citrin to develop wording for a ballot measure at a cost not to exceed \$900. Motion passed with four Ayes, Capurro voting no on the basis of his belief that it should be developed in-town.

4. TAX ALTERNATIVES TO REPLACE UTILITY USERS TAX

The Administrator presented three alternatives for consideration with a combination of pension override with a flat unit rate or with a sq. ft. tax, or a flat rate tax alone. Council heard from a large audience, the majority of those speaking indicating a willingness to be taxed rather than suffer a reduction in the current level of Town services.

M/S Toal, Ollinger to waive reading of an ordinance establishing municipal services tax on a flat rate basis. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

M/S Toal, Ollinger to adopt an ordinance establishing municipal services tax at the maximum flat rate of \$78 per year per living unit, and per 1500 square feet of structure of non-residential use, except the tax derived from a non-residential structure or structures 75% or more occupied by a single enterprise or institution shall not exceed \$1,000. Motion passed on a 4 - 1 vote with Buckle voting no. Capurro stated he voted Aye in spite of his opposition to any additional tax levy because he has been backed into a corner. Buckle voted no on the basis of his opposition to an involuntary tax, stating he would support a voluntary tax to be placed on the County's tax bill with a stated option to pay or not to pay.

M/S Toal, Ollinger to adopt Resolution No. 1957 establishing the rate of Municipal Services Tax for 1983-84 fiscal year at \$78. Motion passed with four ayes, Buckle voting no.

5. ADJUSTMENTS IF REPLACEMENT TAX(ES) NOT LEVIED

No action necessary.

6. PUBLIC HEARING - CONFIRMATION OF COSTS OF SUMMARY ABATEMENT OF DEFECTIVE DRAINAGE STRUCTURE, 525 OAK AVE.

Public hearing was opened with no objections or protests made, notice of this hearing having been given to the property owners as required by law.

M/S Toal, Capurro to adopt Resolution No. 1958 levying the costs of the Summary Abatement as a lien against Assessor's Parcel 7-201-08, commonly known as 525 Oak Avenue, in accordance with Section 1-2.06 of the San Anselmo Municipal Code. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

7. COUNTY ASSESSOR SUBMITTING JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR NEIGHBORHOOD APPRAISAL PROGRAM.

Withdrawn at request of County Assessor.

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

Buckle suggested that hereafter Councilmembers be advised of the installation of new stop signs - he had received complaints on the recent installation of new stop signs on Butterfield Road, to which he was unable to respond because of lack of knowledge.

Buckle questioned status of proposal to purchase street lighting system from P.G.&E. Staff advised that County-wide study was under way and when complete, will be presented to the Council for consideration.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

M/S Capurro, Toal to pass consent agenda. Motion passed by unanimous vote, with Buckle abstaining as to approval of minutes of July 26.

- a. Approved minutes of meeting of July 26, 1983.
- b. Approved warrants 6905-6941 in the total amount of \$85,270.15 for July 16-31, 1983.
- c. Continued to September 27th appeal by B. M. Beins from Planning Commission denial of lot split, 95-99 Hillside & 428 Laurel.
- d. Awarded bid for 1983 slurry seal project to Valley Slurry Seal Company in the amount of its bid of \$19,194.75 and allotted the remaining portion of the \$22,000 budgeted as contingency to be used primarily for expanding the work area if practicable.
- e. Adopted Resolution No. 1959 accepting the offer of dedication of a pedestrian access easement shown on the parcel map recorded in Book 18 of Parcel Maps at page 2, Marin County records.
- f. Noted with alarm long range weather forecast of abnormally heavy precipitation starting abnormally early in the Fall.
- g. Adopted Resolution No. 1960 of intent to abandon a portion of unused right of way on Humboldt Ave. near Vista Lane and set public hearing for September 13, 1983.

ADJOURNED at 11:50 P.M. to executive session on a personnel matter.

LIBBY HANSON
Secretary