

Minutes of Regular Meeting - August 23, 1983

Mayor Wooliever convened the meeting with Councilmembers Toal, Capurro and Buckle present. Councilmember Ollinger absent.

2. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None

3. APPOINTMENTS

a. Open Space Committee - Toal suggested the Council accept the resignation of Randolph Heubach and thank him for the time spent with the Open Space Committee. Open Space Committee member Bergeson asked for 2 replacements. The chair held nominations open until September 13.

b. Board of Permit Appeals. Board to be reactivated and announcement made that applications are open.

4. APPEAL OF PETRO BALAKAS (MARIN STEAK HOUSE) FROM PLANNING COMMISSION DENIAL OF INCREASE IN SIZE OF NON-CONFORMING SIGN.

After staff presentation and comment by appellant's representatives,

M/S Toal, Capurro to deny the appeal. Passed by unanimous vote.

5. APPEAL OF PETRO BALAKAS FROM TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ACTION ELIMINATING SIX PARKING SPACES ON SPAULDING STREET.

Representatives of the appellant stated the new arrangement was working well: the restaurant now provides valet parking.

M/S Toal, Capurro to deny the appeal. Motion passed with three ayes, Buckle voting no.

6. PURCHASE OF OAK SPRINGS (KITE HILL) TANK LOT FROM MARIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

Fred Peterson, attorney representing Norman Litt, owner of the lot over which an easement exists for access to the site, alleged that the easement would not apply to park use. The Administrator reiterated that the purpose was open space only, not a developed park.

The Town Attorney stated his opinion that the easement would permit access for limited open space use.

After comment by neighbors and members of the Open Space Committee,

M/S Toal, Buckle to confirm public interest in public ownership of the Kite Hill Tank Site as a permanent open space asset; request the Open Space Committee to continue and expand its fund-raising effort; direct staff to apply for a discretionary challenge grant from the San Francisco Foundation. Passed by unanimous vote.

M/S Capurro, Toal to request that the Marin Municipal Water District grant a six-month time extension for consumation of purchase by the Town, and commit Town to such purchase. Motion passed with three ayes, Buckle voting no.

7. ROSS VALLEY PARAMEDIC AUTHORITY TRANSMITTING 83-84 BUDGET AND TAX LEVY

M/S Toal, Capurro to adopt Resolution No. 1961 setting paramedic tax levy for 1983-84 at \$9.50 per tax unit. Ayes all present.

Upon assurances from Richard Skaff, Chair of the Authority, no formal action taken on contract service or Board salary questions.

8. COUNTY ASSESSOR SUBMITTING JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR NEIGHBORHOOD APPRAISAL REVIEW PROGRAM

M/S Toal, Capurro to approve and authorize Mayor to sign JPA for Neighborhood Appraisal Program. Failed by the following tie vote: Ayes: Capurro, Wooliever; Noes: Buckle, Toal

9. REDUCTION IN TOWN HALL HOURS OPEN TO PUBLIC

Staff was directed to discontinue experiment and return to previous hours.

10. COST SAVING SUGGESTIONS BY HERMAN KRAMER

Herman Kramer and Fred Peterson submitted a letter requesting an Executive Session with the Council. Town Attorney advised such would be illegal. Matter continued to September 13.

11. LEAGUE OF CITIES REQUESTING TOWN PARTICIPATION IN "MARCH ON CAPITOL" AUGUST 31 - SEPTEMBER 1

M/S Toal, Buckle to approve Town Administrator's letters to Senator Marks and Assemblyman Filante. Ayes all present.

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

Councilmember Buckle queried staff as to timing of Town meeting, status of ballot wording, participation in street light acquisition negotiations, and delegation of authority for placement of stop signs to the Traffic Safety Committee.

The Mayor asked Councilmembers in the future to call staff on such questions rather than taking meeting time.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

M/S Toal, Buckle to pass Consent Agenda. Ayes all present.

- a. Approved minutes of August 9, 1983 meeting.
- b. Approved warrants 6942 - 7042 in the total amount of \$119,853.37 for August 1 - 15, 1983.
- c. Awarded contract to Whitmire and Sons of San Rafael in the amount of their bid of \$14,690, and further authorized a contingency fund of \$1,500 for a total project allotment of \$16,190.
- d. Accepted statistical report on tax sprad, Flat Rate Municipal Services Tax.
- e. Authorized filing of notice of completion for Town Hall/Library/Fire Station flood repairs.

ADJOURNED at 10:40 P.m. to executive session, Tuesday, September 6, 1983.

THELMA FOSTER, Secretary