

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 24, 1987

Mayor Wooliever convened the meeting on February 24, 1987 at 8:00 p.m. with Councilmembers Chignell, Cordingley, Sharp and Walsh present.

2. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION

There was no one who wished address the Council.

3. APPOINTMENTS

a. Planning Commission. Four applicants were interviewed just prior to the meeting and it was the unanimous decision of the Council to appoint Spencer Sias to a term ending August, 1988.

b. Robson-Harrington House Association. M/S Cordingley, Walsh to close nominations. Ayes all.

M/S Cordingley, Walsh, to appoint Dollie Frauens to a term ending August 1988.

c. Creek Park Planning Committee. Appointment will be held open until March 6, 1987 with appointment to be made on March 10.

d. Historical Commission. The Town Administrator will contact the Chairman of the Historical Society to see if they have additional nominations. Appointment held open.

e. Seminary General Plan Advisory Committee. The Administrator reported he had sent a media release to the Seminary for their approval and it had not been returned yet. Appointment held over.

4. APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION DECISION DENYING VARIANCE APPLICATION OF WARREN L. AND CATHERINE J. PROSTROLLO, 41 PROSPECT AVENUE, A/P 6-181-10.

Because there was a question of proper posting of notice, action on this matter was deferred until the meeting of March 10, 1987.

5. APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION DECISION DENYING GENERAL PLAN BOUNDARY AMENDMENT, SOHNER COURT PARTNERSHIP, ROSS AVENUE, A/P 7-287-21, 22, 23, 43, 27, 37, 41, 42, and 47.

Because there was a question of proper posting of notice, action on this matter was deferred until the meeting of March 10, 1987.

6. APPEAL OF ALMA R. WIEDERHOEFT OF PLANNING COMMISSION DENIAL OF SS-264, 327 BUTTERFIELD ROAD, A/P 5-022-62, TWO-LOT PARCEL SPLIT AND THE INITIAL ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW.

This appeal was continued at the request of the applicant.

7. RESOLUTION ORDERING VACATION OF A PORTION OF UNUSED STREET RIGHT OF WAY ON LAUREL AVENUE NEAR HILLSIDE AVENUE.

M/S Chignell, Walsh, to adopt Resolution No. 3006 ordering the vacation of a portion of unused street right-of-way on Laurel Avenue in the vicinity of Hillside Avenue with the understanding that the 6th paragraph will incorporate the payment for Town's costs associated with the processing of the abandonment and quitclaim and compensating the Town for the costs associated with certain roadway improvements and to roadway drainage areas. Sharp said he wanted to be sure the neighbors understood that there is no implicit or implied approval of the design or building applications being processed seperately from this matter, but as part of this overall effort.

Public Works Director Kottage said the improvement plan had been approved prior to the adoption of the resolution and was not related.

Ayes all.

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8. PROPOSED INCREASE IN PARKING VIOLATION BAIL SCHEDULE

The Chief of Police reported no public comment had been received on the proposed increases. Pat Broadbent questioned the increase of \$1.00 in the overnight parking bail. The Administrator said it is the first increase in two and a half years. The Chief of Police said the fees were based on an average. Bill Bandy questioned the Town's share of the proceeds on a \$10.00 bail forfeiture. He said he was afraid increasing bail fees would cause a tendency to issue more citations and use that as a means of obtaining revenue.

M/S Walsh, Cordingley to adopt the bail schedule as presented and order the new citation forms. Ayes all.

9. REPORT ON "KEYS TO THE TOWN"

After a brief discussion it was the consensus of the Council to order twenty "Keys to the Town" from Beachler Enterprises, Inc. at a cost of \$160.00.

10. COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS, COMMENTS AND DIRECTION TO STAFF: STAFF MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Walsh said she felt the issue of thinning the redwood trees by removal in Robson-Harrington Park should be on the Town Council agenda to see if people would object. The Administrator said the trees were planted quite close together in order to assure survival of some of the trees. He said the proposal was to remove 5 or 6 of the trees to give the remainder a better chance to grow. He said the Town had received a request from one of the neighbors to have the trees topped. Topping would not be productive, he said. Sharp asked if some notice could be given to neighboring property owners so they would not wake up to chain saws some morning. He felt there should be a comment period for input. Cordingley asked to have the Heritage Tree Committee comment on the removal. Stephany Kramer asked if anyone had consulted a professional regarding the fate of the redwood trees. The Council directed the Heritage Tree Committee be notified, notices to neighboring property owners be distributed, an arborist be consulted, and action taken that would be compatible with any input.

Cordingley asked about the Town Attorney billing hour report, which had been submitted. He queried whether it included total expense of the Nome suit and was informed there were additional hours.

Cordingley thanked the FAX reporter for his coverage of the housing problems of the elderly.

Wooliever reported she had received a telephone call from the owner of 100 Sycamore Avenue, Steven Scarpa, and a packet of all correspondence concerning 100 Sycamore Avenue was distributed to the Council. Sharp said this avenue should be pursued. The matter is to be on the March 10 agenda.

Sharp asked again about the trash around Quick Stop and Savemore Liquor Store. The Public Works Director said he would send letters to each asking their cooperation in keeping the area free of debris.

Chignell asked when the personnel session would be set for determining compensation for the Recreation Department. Garvey said possibly at the next meeting.

The Administrator said James O'Rourke of 6 Jordan Avenue came into Town Hall to say he still was interested in the Seminary General Plan and would like to continue to serve on the Advisory committee.

After a discussion of possible dates for a meeting with downtown property owners, it was decided to hold the meeting at 6:30 p.m. March 24. Letters will be sent to property owners.

A letter was received from the Community Housing Resource Board of Marin County asking the Town to pass a resolution to proclaim the month of April 1987 to be the Fair Housing Month. It will be placed on the March 10 agenda.

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The Planning Director asked to have another general plan workshop set with the Council, Planning Commission and Planning Consultant to set a policy for handling inconsistencies. A meeting was set for Thursday, March 5 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The Mayor announced she would be out of Town at the time of the April 14 meeting which is normally the election of Mayor and Vice Mayor.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes 2-10-87: Chignell asked to have Item 8, paragraph 2 modified as follows: Chignell asked him about rotating captains, secondly about utilizing shift supervisors and advised him that he had a span of control of 3 not 9, and asked him to not overrely upon volunteers, but rather on paid firefighters.

M/S Cordingley, Walsh to approved consent agenda with modification to minutes of 2-10-87. Ayes all.

At 9:15 p.m. the meeting adjourned to the workshop meeting of March 5th and the regular Town Council meeting of March 10, 1987.

Thelma Foster