WMAC Minutes - Bill Knapp

2 March 2021-7:00 PM Meeting held by Zoom Teleconference

- 1. Roll Call Called to order by R Scott ~7PM Rob, Thad & Bill in attendance, Sally and Gary absent. Quorum present
- 2. Approval of Minutes of 2 February 2021 meeting
- 3. Public Expression None not covered by scheduled topics Guests: Rick Marsh, Robert Finnell, Gary Weiss, Dan Gjerde (Supervisor)
- 4. Old Business:

a) Senate Bill 231-Blues Beach: Transfer of 172 acres to tribal nonprofit.

- Hoped for attendees from CA legislature and tribal groups could not be scheduled.
- Discussion resulting in questions related to details of public access and possibility of fees was held. The general response to the draft of SB 231 was positive, more info was desired and a chance to hear from both the legislative sponsors and the tribal groups forming the "qualified non-profit" would be very helpful.
- Discussed sending draft of support letter. Decided to either hold letter or send draft to State Senator Mike McGuire's office and request help to schedule a public meeting including representatives of his office and tribal groups. Board felt more public input was needed prior to making letter public.

b) Mendocino County Economic Resiliency Plan: Follow up on MOVE2030 plan to stimulate the County economy

- Two members of the community, owners lodging and event business provided feed back on the MOVE 2030 plan. Supervisor Gjerde also joined the discussion.
- Focus should be on helping existing businesses survive and expand before recruiting outside businesses to move to Mendocino County.
- Public Private partnerships are key
- The discussion was positive related to the goals of the plan. More interaction with the county was requested of Supervisor Gjerde.
- Supervisor Gjerde provided information on the \$22M PG&E settlement funds and, in response to concerns expressed about the difficulty of getting permits for building and structural improvements, that the County was reviewing Planning Department organization and procedures.
- 5. 5) Announcements/Correspondence-(Discussion Only): None planned. No new input
- 6. 6) Set preliminary agenda for next meeting-6 April 2021
 - 1. SB 231
 - 2. Possible MOVE2030 follow up
- 7. 7) Adjournment ~ 9PM