

Westport Municipal Advisory Council

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DRAFT WMAC Board meeting minutes July 6th, 2023

1) Roll Call 7:03 pm

- 1.1) In attendance were Chair Rob Scott, Vice Chair Bill Knapp, Secretary Gary Quinton,. Director Thad VanBueren, Director Sally Grigg was absent, as was Alternat Baile Oaks. Mr. Gary Markley was in attendance.
- 1.2) **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:** unanimous approval of June 15th, 2023 draft minutes
- 2) Public Expression (Discussion Only) There was none

3) OLD BUSINESS

- 3.1) **Westport Fire Safe Council**—Status since last meeting was provided by Director Knapp, and Director VanBueren reported that the Fire Safe Counsel will be performing some work on Howard Creek Rd and Ponderosa Road
- 3.2) Discussion on Website Progress
 - a) Director Knapp reported that a working group was formed with goal of go live on or before the August 3rd meeting.

3.3) Review of Letter to BoS

a) The goal of improving communication between WMAC the BoS, and County agencies, specifically the Planning Department was discussed. A draft letter to several heads of county departments was presented by Chair Scott. After discussion it was decided that a letter will be drafted to the head of the Planning Department regarding the issues and circulated between the directors.

3.4) Westport Signage

- a) It was agreed to contact CalTrans to request maintenance / repair of Radar speed signs in Westport.
- b) A Discussion was had regarding addition of "Welcome to Westport" signs at both north and south ends of town due to request from the public for the MAC to discuss. It was decided the promotion of such sigs was not within the MAC's preview but that the MAC would encourage and indorse such signs.

4) **NEW BUSINESS**

4.1) Discussion of Chato RD (aka Clay Rd).

Mr. Gary Markley provided the Directors the status of his lawsuit re Chato Road and the county's position re abandonment of the road. It appears that at this time the issue is stalled and not much is happening. Mr. Markley will advise the MAC if things change and there is a move by the logging companies to further block the road or seek an abandonment from the county.

- 5) Set preliminary agenda for next Meeting August 3rd, 2023
- **6) Adjourn** 8:28pm