

BOLINAS COMMUNITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

Resident Permit Parking Plan Committee of the Board of Directors

January 12, 2021 4 p.m.

Location: Teleconference

Committee Members: Bruce Bowser (Chair), Sherry Hirsch (Secretary), Sarah McNamara, Chuck McParland, Al Minvielle, Judith Shaw

AGENDA

1. Call to Order, at 4 p.m.
2. Roll. All present except Sarah McNamara. Guest: Don Smith, BCPUD Board of Director member.
3. Approve Minutes of December 8, 2020 meeting.
[m/Al s/Chuck, Yea 5, Nay 0,]
4. Follow up on feedback from December BCPUD Board Presentation: At the Board meeting Bruce presented a guide to the committee's 42 slide presentation. Sherry and Al were also present to answer questions. Our committee said that it planned to follow up with the survey to members of the community after having discussions with the County and an informal meeting with the California Coastal Commission (CCC). Director Don Smith agreed to be the liaison to our committee for these meetings. The presentation was very well received by the Board and Director Siedman said the committee has the BCPUD Board's support for its work and wished the committee continued perseverance in its work. Don Smith, who was present at the committee meeting verified the outcome.

Jennifer noted one correction was needed in the history regarding the CCC shown in the presentation. At a follow up phone meeting with Bruce, Al and Sherry, she clarified the correction and offered some helpful suggestions regarding some elements of the presentation. She noted that a couple of the pictures were not reflective of the problem and suggested substituting some that were. She also said that since downtown development had not yet occurred it was a weaker data point than pointing out the advent of social media and the popularity of surfing as causal factors resulting in the increase in visitors. Her feedback was presented to the committee and an update of the presentation will take into account feedback received and then posted on the BCPUD website.

During the phone meeting with Jennifer, she was asked if there was a possibility for BCPUD to issue permits, assuming that there was adequate funding, etc. to assume this task. She was not sure of the legalities and thought that legal counsel would be needed. Sherry was subsequently able to talk to Director Jack Siedman who at first glance thought that the issue would lay with the County giving BCPUD the authority, so before going any further it will be important to discuss with Supervisor Rodoni.

5. Timeline and assignment of members for the next steps that were outlined in the presentation. As follow up to the next steps that were outlined in our presentation and from feedback received, members agreed to work on the following with results to be presented at the February meeting:

a. Explanation of permits as an exemption to parking control measures – Al expressed concern that it is not clear enough that we are talking about exempting residents from the necessary controls to deal with the influx of visitors and is not a guarantee of a parking place. He will review and present an update to our presentation going forward, if needed.

b. Community Services Officer (CSO) Draft Idea – enforcement of existing parking controls and any that we develop is key. The CSO idea has been discussed in our committee, brought to the BCPUD board for their review and based upon that review to Supervisor Rodoni, who suggested that we write up a description. Chuck with input from Bruce and a look at Santa Cruz position will work on this.

c. Look into additional towns with permit programs in Marin, not necessarily coastal towns. This idea was mentioned at the BCPUD Board meeting as information on Marin programs may be helpful for guiding our plan. Sherry offered to look into Mill Valley's program and Judith will look at Sausalito.

d. Revise Presentation based upon input from BCPUD – Sherry will update the presentation taking into account the feedback outlined in item #4.

e. Set up meeting with Supervisor Rodoni to get his feedback on our ideas and guidance regarding going forward with a CCC informal meeting as well as which entity could issue permits and under what conditions. - Sherry will contact and Bruce and Don will participate in a phone conference when it occurs.

f. Contact Bolinas Fire Chief regarding the Bolinas Fire role in parking and traffic control - Al

6. Encouraging community input/buy in for potential plan. This item was deferred until feedback from County occurs. The BCPUD presentation will be available on the website. Its primary value is as a reference document for our efforts. Plans will be more widely discussed in the community after we have a reality check with the County and the CCC and when we distribute our survey.

7. Community Expression (for items germane to this committee but not on the agenda).
None.

7. Next Meeting Date.
Tuesday, February 9, at 4 p.m.

8. Adjournment at 6:00 p.m. [m/Sherry s/Al, Yea 5, Nay 0,]