

Marin Conservation League

North Marin Unit

Meeting Notes

January 18, 2010

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The meeting was called to order at the home of Don and Gail Wilhelm. Attending were Dorothy Thomas, Don Wilhelm, Gail Wilhelm, Bob Burke, Edith Piltch, Eleanor Sluis, Pat U'Ren, Frank U'ren and Susan Stompe..

Announcements: The remodeled City Hall (church building) will be the location of the City commemoration of the 50th anniversary of incorporation on Wed., Jan. 20. The Pelican sculpture has been installed at Scottsdale Pond.

Minutes: The notes of Nov. and Dec. 2009 were approved.

North Redwood Blvd.: Gail reported that at the last meeting of the GP Steering Committee the committee broke into 3 groups. Common recommendations included keeping the city offices downtown, include an art museum and move the gas station at DeLong and Redwood.

North Coast Rail Authority: MCL submitted a letter on the redistributed EIR. Best Management Practices (BMP) had been frequently mentioned in the first document, but not described. The revised document includes the description, answers financing questions and addresses fatalities in cities.

Affordable housing at Bahia: There is a display at Unity church at Hamilton of over 60 designs submitted in competition for the project. Many attempt to be environmentally sensitive, but the steep slopes are difficult.

Marin Energy Authority: Novato will not be participating. The last chance to become involved was last November. The Council was focused on the risk and the feasibility of a local independent entity competing with P.G. & E.

Transportation: Don reported that the Caltrans engineer for the Gap closure retired, and is now with TAM. There is a road quieting material that greatly reduces highway noise, but may not be used in this area.

Mira Monte (Burdell Island): Baylands Advocates and Audubon are pursuing acquisition.

The next meeting will be in April.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Notes by S. Stompe

