

TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO

Minutes of the Town Council Meeting of December 14, 2021

Note: These are summary action minutes only. The video item can be accessed by clicking the item.

- 1. 6:20 p.m. Interviews with applicants to the Tax Equity Board, Arts Commission and Flood Committee.**

[Interviews - Item 1](#)

- 2. 7:00 p.m. Call to order. Announce action in closed session, if any.**

[Agenda - December 14, 2021](#)

Present: Brian Colbert, Alexis Fineman, Steve Burdo, Eileen Burke, Ford Greene

Absent: None

- 3. Open time for public expression. The public is welcome to address the Council at this time on matters not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of the Council. Please be advised that pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, Council is not permitted to discuss or take action on any matter not on the agenda unless it determines that an emergency exists, or that there is a need to take immediate action which arose following posting of the agenda. Comments may be no longer than three minutes and should be respectful to the community.**

Kate Wanvig, citizen, spoke about parklets and felt they put some businesses at risk to help support restaurants.

Guy Meyer, citizen, spoke of the regional housing numbers and mentioned he was against urbanization. He had applied for the Racial Equity Commission who is discussing these issues and felt he was screened out because of his perspective. He wanted more information about the board and commission application process.

Jennifer Grenier Selvig, Chamber of Commerce representative, thanked the Council, United Market, Coffee Roasters and The Nick brown Band for their help with the Holiday Tree Lighting.

- 4. Council requests for future agenda items, Council committee liaison reports, questions and comments to staff; staff miscellaneous items.**

Councilmember Greene stated he had spoken with a woman who had driven all the way from Kentucky to San Anselmo to go to the SAKs consignment shop and was not able to find a parking place. Greene stated in anticipation of dealing with the parklet issue wanted to emphasize fairness for all businesses.

Councilmember Burdo thanked staff and the Chamber for an amazing Tree Lighting event.

Burdo gave an update for the Fire Board which reviewed the JPA amendments reflecting the decision that the board made at the prior meeting with respect to Ross Station 18. Burdo attended a Racial Equity Ad Hoc Committee meeting. Burdo worked at Sak's consignment for an afternoon. Burdo thanked everyone who volunteered for the Town.

Councilmember Burke wanted an update on the COVID testing site in front of Town Hall with regards to how long it will be there and how many people it's processing. Town Manager Donery stated the Town is in contract to have the COVID clinics stationed in front of Town Hall through the end of December. There is not an extension for use, but they are getting a lot of patients. Other jurisdictions have these pop-up clinics also, but we do not know their plan yet.

Vice Mayor Fineman stated the Marin County Council of Mayors and Council Members Water Committee is looking at the drought emergency identifying local levers for water conservation. There was a presentation from Marin Municipal Water District on recycled water and the basic gist of it is it's really complicated to take with recycled water that's gone through the sewage treatment process and then actually gets redistributed back for landscaping. There are some sites that were identified for potential purple pipe outlay near Red Hill and the high school in San Anselmo. Fineman attended the MCCMC Climate Action Committee and received a presentation from the California Energy Commission on building electrification. Fineman attended the Financial Advisory Committee meeting with presentations on the federal recovery stimulus money and upcoming measures. Fineman stated there was a Racial Equity meeting where they received a debrief on the United Against Hate week event. Fineman received a question from a constituent about the work going on at Ross Avenue. Assistant Public Works Director Schneider stated there are curb ramps going in on Sir Francis Drake between the hub and the Town of Ross and it should be finished in mid-January.

Mayor Colbert attended the MCCMC Economic Recovery Committee who discussed the County Economic Vitality program. Colbert attended the Arts Commission dinner. Colbert was invited to speak with some Cub Scouts in the Ross Valley. Colbert also attended the holiday lighting event and was impressed. Marin Transit had a meeting and reported that they had a clean audit. Transportation Authority of Marin had a meeting and discussed the 580-connector project. Colbert announced that he had invited the chair of TAM to provide more high-level information.

5. Consent agenda: The opportunity for public comment on consent agenda items will occur prior to Council discussion of the consent agenda. The Council may approve the entire consent agenda with one action. In the alternative, items on the consent agenda may be removed by any Council or staff member, for separate discussion and vote.

(a) Approve minutes of the November 23, 2021 Town Council meeting.

Minutes - November 23, 2021 - Item 5a

(b) Acknowledge and file warrant numbers 93176 to 93303 issued during the month of November 2021 and bank draft number DFT03169 in a total amount of \$1,755,364.81.

[Staff Report - Warrants - Item 5b](#)

[Attachment 1 - Item 5b](#)

(c) Proclamation honoring Insalata's Restaurant and Heidi and Mark Krahling for 25 years of outstanding service to the San Anselmo community.

[Proclamation - Item 5c](#)

(d) Adoption of Resolution to Allow for Virtual Town Council, Board and Commission Meetings in Compliance with AB 361.

[Staff Report - AB 361 - Item 5d](#)

[Attachment 1 - Item 5d](#)

(e) Acknowledge and file the report regarding a new numbering system for policies, resolutions, proclamations, and ordinances within the Legistar Agenda Management System.

[Staff Report - Document Numbering - Item 5e](#)

(f) Receive progress report on Priorities Work Plan.

[Staff Report - Work Plan - Item 5f](#)

[Attachment 1 - Item 5f](#)

(g) Appoint applicants to the Tax Equity Board, Arts Commission and Flood Committee.

[Staff Report - Appointments - Item 5g](#)

Council pulled Items 5c and 5d.

M/s, Steve Burdo, Ford Greene, to approve Items 5a, 5b, 5e, 5f. AYES: Brian Colbert, Alexis Fineman, Steve Burdo, Eileen Burke, Ford Greene. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

With regards to Item 5c, Council honored Heidi and Mark Krahling for their contributions to San Anselmo. Mayor Colbert read the proclamation.

With regards to Item 5d, Councilmember Burke clarified that the resolution would not preclude the Council from adopting a different meeting format which was a discussion item later in the meeting.

M/s, Steve Burdo, Ford Greene, to approve Items 5c & 5d. AYES: Brian Colbert, Alexis Fineman, Steve Burdo, Eileen Burke, Ford Greene. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

6. Reorganization of Town Council: Elect Mayor and Vice-Mayor to one-year terms.

Staff Report - Reorganization - Item 6

Attachment 1 - Item 6

Council nominated Alexis Fineman to become the Mayor and Steve Burdo to become the Vice Mayor for 2022.

M/s, Brian Colbert, Ford Greene, to approve Alexis Fineman as Mayor for 2022. AYES: Brian Colbert, Alexis Fineman, Steve Burdo, Eileen Burke, Ford Greene. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

M/s, Ford Greene, Eileen Burke, to approve Steve Burdo as Vice-Mayor for 2022. AYES: Brian Colbert, Alexis Fineman, Steve Burdo, Eileen Burke, Ford Greene. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

7. Recognize the service of 2021 Mayor Brian Colbert.

Town Manager Donery made a presentation of the Town's gifts to outgoing Mayor Colbert.

The Council thanked Colbert for his service.

8. Approve the rate increase requested by Marin Sanitary Service (MSS) of 2.88% to be effective January 1, 2022.

Staff Report - MSS Rate - Item 8

Attachment 1 - Item 8

Attachment 2 - Item 8

Attachment 3 - Item 8

Public Comment

Town Manager Donery presented the staff report.

Nikhil Tagore-Erwin, R3 consultant, made a presentation. Patty Garbarino, Marin Sanitary Service spoke.

Pat Johnstone, citizen, wondered if there was a way to adjust the rates going forward. She stated she doesn't produce much garbage and how to create equity in a zero-waste program.

Council decided to continue the item to receive further information regarding the PPE funds received by Marin Sanitary.

- 9. Presentation by Climate Action Commission youth commissioner Hayley Ballard on policies the Commission would like the Town Council to consider to reduce greenhouse gases from the transportation sector: 1) warning labels on gas pumps; 2) amendments to zoning to prohibit new or expanded gasoline/fueling stations; and a town vehicle fleet procurement policy.**

Hailey Ballard, youth commissioner on the Climate Action Committee, made a presentation.

M/s, Brian Colbert, Steve Burdo, to approve continuing the meeting past 10 pm. AYES: Brian Colbert, Alexis Fineman, Steve Burdo, Eileen Burke, Ford Greene. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

- 10. Discuss the meeting format for upcoming Town meetings and provide direction to staff.**

Staff Report - Meeting Format - Item 10

Town Clerk Kacmar presented the staff report. Council provided feedback that Colbert, Burdo and Fineman would like to remain virtual. Greene would like a hybrid option with the option for council teleconference. Burke would like a hybrid option restricting the public for now.

- 11. Public hearing to consider adopting ordinances implementing 2020 Senate Bill 9:**

Staff Report - SB 9 - Item 11

- a. "An Urgency Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of San Anselmo Amending and Adding Sections to Title 10 of the Town of San Anselmo Municipal Code to Comply with Senate Bill 9."

Urgency Ordinance - Item 11a

- b. "An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of San Anselmo Amending and Adding Sections to Title 10 of the Town of San Anselmo Municipal Code to Comply with Senate Bill 9."

Standard Ordinance - Item 11b

Planning Director Semonian presented the staff report.

M/s, Eileen Burke, Ford Greene, to approve An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of San Anselmo Amending and Adding Sections to Title 10 of the Town of San Anselmo Municipal Code to Comply with Senate Bill 9. AYES: Brian Colbert, Alexis Fineman, Steve Burdo, Eileen Burke, Ford Greene. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

Town Manager Donery read the title.

M/s, Eileen Burke, Ford Greene, to approve An Urgency Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of San Anselmo Amending and Adding Sections to Title 10 of the Town of San Anselmo Municipal Code to Comply with Senate Bill 9. AYES: Brian Colbert, Alexis Fineman, Steve Burdo, Eileen Burke, Ford Greene. NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

12. Adjourn

Adjourned in memory of Tony Tom.

Respectfully submitted,

Carla Kacmar