

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 7, 2017

SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
CORTE MADERA TOWN COUNCIL

Mayor Furst called the Special Meeting to order at Town Hall Council Chambers, 300 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera, CA on February 7, 2017 at 5:32 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

~~Councilmembers Present:~~ Mayor Furst, Vice Mayor Condon and Councilmembers Andrews and Bailey

~~Staff Present:~~ Town Manager Todd Cusimano
Acting Town Attorney Ivan Delvanthal
Town Clerk/Assistant to the Town Manager Rebecca Vaughn

SALUTE TO THE FLAG – Mayor Furst led in the Pledge of Allegiance

2. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION - None

3. INTERVIEW OF APPLICANTS FOR APPOINTMENT TO CORTE MADERA TOWN COUNCIL

The Town Council interviewed the following applicants for consideration of appointment to the Corte Madera Town Council

5:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.	Carol Berg
5:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Candice Crider
6:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.	Valeria Diniz da Silva-Sasser
6:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Mitchell Marriott
6:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.	Robert Powelson
6:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Robert Ravasio

4. DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AN APPOINTMENT TO THE CORTE MADERA TOWN COUNCIL TO FILL THE SEAT VACATED BY MICHAEL LAPPERT, WITH A TERM EXPIRING NOVEMBER 30, 2017

Mayor Furst first invited public comment.

DAVID MCPHEARSON, Corte Madera Avenue, stated the Town is fortunate to have six applicants willing to serve on the Town Council, all with professional backgrounds. Five of the applicants have not had the fortune of serving on Town committees or commissions and he encouraged they do so before being considered for appointment or election to the Council.

Self-evident is former Councilmember Bob Ravasio's institutional knowledge, demeanor and willingness to make the time commitment to serve again. He hoped the Town Council would appoint Mr. Ravasio and that others find opportunities to serve the Town in other capacities.

Councilmembers deliberated on the matter, recognized public comments, discussed applicants' background and experience, and unanimously supported appointment of former Councilmember Bob Ravasio given his experience, stated commitment, and institutional knowledge of the Town.

Acting Town Attorney Ivan Delvanthal stated that for purposes of the record, he asked the Council to take a vote on each candidate.

Mayor Furst suggested a motion to appoint the Council's preferred applicant.

MOTION: Moved by Bailey, seconded by Condon, and approved unanimously by the following vote: 4-0 (Ayes: Andrews, Condon, Bailey and Furst; Noes: None)

To appoint Bob Ravasio to fill the Town Council seat vacated by Michael Lappert, with a term expiring November 30, 2017

Given the affirmative vote for Bob Ravasio, Acting Town Attorney Delvanthal said it was not necessary to vote on remaining applicants.

5. ADJOURNMENT TO REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m. to the regular Town Council meeting.