



BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT BUDGET STUDY SESSION MINUTES

DATE OF MEETING: August 16, 2016
PLACE OPEN SESSION MEETINGS: 28999 South Lower Valley Road
TIME OF OPEN SESSION MEETING: 1:00 pm

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm.

2. **Roll Call Attendance**

President Rick Zanutto

Vice President Gil Grace

Director Jane Baron

Director Charlene LaClaire

Director Walt Ritchie

All Directors were in attendance. Also present were General Manager David Edmonds, Police Chief Jeff Kermode and Secretary of the Board Kristy McEwen.

3. **Approval of Agenda – Roll Call**

The Agenda was approved unanimously by the Board.

4. **Pledge of Allegiance**

President Zanutto led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. **Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items**

Members of the public may address the Board on matters not listed on this Agenda. The Board cannot take action on any item that is not on the Agenda. The Board or staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed, or may ask questions for clarification. These items may also be referred to staff or scheduled on a future Agenda. There will be a separate opportunity for public comment for each item on the Agenda.

None

6. **Facilities Tour:**

A. Wastewater Treatment Plant Tour

All Directors, General Manager and members of the public participated in a tour of the Wastewater Treatment Plant conducted by Plant Supervisor Jason Parks.

7. **Reconvene at District Office**

The meeting reconvened at the District Office.

8. Information and Discussion Items:

A. Final Budget Study Session

Mr. Edmonds presented an overview of the Final Budget process followed by discussion of significant Preliminary to Final Budget changes for the following budgets:

Water
Wastewater
Solid Waste
Parks & Recreation
Post Office

The study session was continued to 1:00 pm, August 17.

The meeting was called to order at 1:12 pm with all Directors, Mr. Edmonds, Chief Kermode and Ms. McEwen present. After other Directors expressed concern regarding potential conflicts of interest, Director Ritchie recused himself at 1:20 pm due to close family connections (the employment of relatives) in both the Dispatch and Police divisions.

Remaining Directors and staff then discussed significant Preliminary to Final Budget changes for:

Dispatch
Police

By 4-0 consensus of the Board (Director Ritchie absent by recusal), Mr. Edmonds and Chief Kermode were directed to pursue outsourcing of dispatch services to Kern County Sheriff's Office.

Director Ritchie rejoined the meeting for discussion of significant Preliminary to Final Budget changes for:

Roads

By 4-1 consensus of the Board (Director Ritchie dissenting), Mr. Edmonds was directed to pursue a bridge loan to finance the full Bear Valley/Cumberland Rehabilitation project.

9. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:51 pm. The next Special Study Session will be held at 9:00 am, Friday August 19, 2016.


Richard Zanutto, President of the Board

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Kristy McEwen, Secretary of the Board