



BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

DATE OF MEETING: September 11, 2014
PLACE OPEN & CLOSED SESSION MEETINGS: 28999 South Lower Valley Road
TIME OF CLOSED SESSION MEETING: 5:00 pm
TIME OF OPEN SESSION MEETING: 6:00 pm

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call Attendance

President Bill Mason

Vice President Charlene LaClaire

Director Gil Grace

Director Matt VoVilla

Director Rick Zanutto

Also present were: General Manager David Edmonds, District Counsel Don Davis, Police Chief Rod Walthers, Public Works Superintendent Larry Tuma, and Board Secretary Kristy McEwen.

3. Closed Session

A. Conference with Legal Counsel: Anticipated Litigation

Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2): two potential cases

- No Reportable Action

B. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

Government Code section 54957

- The item was pulled from the Agenda

4. Convene Open Session

- ##### **A. President Mason convened Open Session at 6:02 pm.**

5. Summary of Actions Taken During Closed Session

- ##### **A. President Mason reported as above.**

6. Approval of Agenda – Roll Call

A. Action: APPROVE Agenda as presented.

B. Vote: Ayes—5, No—0

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7. Pledge of Allegiance

- A. Vice-President LaClaire led the Pledge of Allegiance

8. 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.

- Hal Morgan spoke about his difficulties with the toilet rebate program.
- Diane Griffin spoke about the overgrowth of reeds and cattails in Cub and 4-Island Lakes
- President Mason read an email from resident Vania Tate voicing complaints about the GranFondo event

9. Consent Calendar

Consent items are considered routine and are intended to be acted upon in one motion, without discussion. During this portion of the meeting, the Consent Calendar will be read aloud. Prior to approval, the President will give the Board, staff, and public the opportunity to pull any item for discussion. The remaining Calendar will be acted upon. Any pulled items will then be heard and acted upon individually.

- A. APPROVE Minutes of the August 14, 2014 Regular Board Meeting.
(Abstain-VoVilla due to absence)
- B. APPROVE Minutes of the August 28, 2014 Regular Board Meeting.
- C. ACCEPT Notes from the August 26, 2013 Liaison Committee Meeting.
- D. APPROVE Disclosure of Expenses.
- E. APPROVE Register of Warrants for August, 2014.
- F. APPROVE "Message from the Board of Directors" Article for October, 2014 Bear Tracks.
- G. APPROVE Bear Valley Springs Association request to use Parks & Recreation Funds: Beaubian Field, Cub Ball-field Dugout Installation
 - The Consent Calendar was read. Item A was pulled. Director Grace asked that Item E be pulled.
 - **Motion:** APPROVE Consent Calendar Items B, C, D, F, G: Zanutto.
Second: Grace.
 - **Roll Call Vote:** AYE: Grace, VoVilla, Zanutto, Mason, LaClaire
NO:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:
 - **Motion:** APPROVE Consent Calendar Item A: Zanutto. Second: LaClaire.
 - **Roll Call Vote:** AYE: Grace, Zanutto, Mason, LaClaire
NO:
ABSTAIN: VoVilla
ABSENT:
 - Item E was discussed – Director Grace requested clarification of several expenditures, particularly a \$516.97 late fee paid to Southern California Edison. Staff will research and return with an explanation.

- **Motion:** APPROVE Consent Calendar Item E: LaClaire. Second: Grace.
- Roll Call Vote:** AYE: Grace, VoVilla, Zanutto, Mason, LaClaire
- NO:
- ABSTAIN:
- ABSENT:

10. Disclosures by the Board of Directors

Board Members are asked to disclose any outside communications with individuals and organizations that have an action item on this Agenda that pertains directly to them or their specific personal or private interests and which communication is not included or disclosed in the agenda package, so that all interested persons have an equal opportunity to express and represent their interests.

- None

11. Action Items:

A. INTRODUCE Ordinance No. 14-239 AMENDING Chapter 8 (Pine Bark Beetle Infestation and Abatement) of Title 3 (Public Safety) of the Bear Valley Community Services District Code (Mr. Davis)

- Mr. Davis presented a Staff Report outlining the process for adopting and amending the Ordinance.
- **Motion:** INTRODUCE Ordinance 14-239 as recommended in Staff Report: Zanutto. Second: LaClaire.
- **Roll Call Vote:** AYE: Grace, VoVilla, Zanutto, Mason, LaClaire
- NO:
- ABSTAIN:
- ABSENT:

12. Information Items:

A. Committee Reports

- **Administration Committee** – Vice President LaClaire; Director Zanutto
 - Vice-President LaClaire reported about the above revision of the Pine Bark Beetle ordinance, expressing the committee's pleasure at the accomplishment. She stated the committee needs to decide what to address next.
- **Communications Committee** – Vice President LaClaire; Director VoVilla
 - Vice-President LaClaire reported the committee's commitment to transparency and on upcoming articles for Bear Tracks.
- **Finance Committee** – President Mason; Director Grace
 - President Mason reported no Finance Committee meeting in August due to staffing limitations.
- **Infrastructure Committee** – President Mason; Director VoVilla
 - President Mason reported no Infrastructure Committee meeting in August due to staffing limitations.
- **Public Safety Committee** – Director Grace; Director Zanutto
 - Director Grace reported no August meeting, but the committee will continue to look at the feral pig issue. He also spoke about an

upcoming Disaster Advisory Preparedness Council presentation to the Board.

- **Liaison Committee** – President Mason; Vice President LaClaire
 - President Mason reported on recent topics covered: Lake-fill billing, the cattail and reed problem and the recently completed BVSA Amenity Tracking report.

Public Comments: Jim Nelson asked about the cancelled meetings.

B. Board Comments

- Director Grace: Asked the status of the suggestion to raise funds to replace the aging water infrastructure through an increase in the water base rate.
- Director VoVilla: None
- Director Zanutto: None
- Vice-President LaClaire: Informed the Board and public that Pine Bark Beetle experts will make a presentation at the October 14, 2014 Town Hall Forum, along with a Kern Wildlife Biologist who will speak about the feral pig issue. She also requested action on outside water sales and applying the water conservation surcharge to commercial as well as residential rates.
- President Mason: Suggested that any decision on commercial surcharges could wait until it is known whether the conservation mandate is continued past April, 2015.

C. Staff Reports

• **Department Head Reports**

1. Public Works Status Report – Mr. Tuma provided a written report.

Board Comments: Director Grace said he was happy for the well rehabilitation efforts in light of the drought, and asked about the work being done on the old Country Cable boxes.

Vice-President LaClaire asked questions about the health of District wells as noted in the Fugro report, mentioned the TCCWD contract that will expire in 2016 and water banking.

Director Zanutto mentioned a \$7 billion water bond that may be available for rehabilitation of radionuclide wells.

Director VoVilla asked about the frequency of water leaks, and whether the District practices a water valve exercise program.

President Mason requested information about the effect that wells rehabilitated and returned to the system have on purchased water and their impact on Bear Valley production.

Public Comments: Mary Cunningham asked if Well 3 numbers comparing pre- and post-rehabilitation were available, if there is information on the column of water height for Bear Valley wells and asked if testing of District wells revealed cryptosporidium bacteria. Dawn Nelson asked if the type of bacteria in Wells 3 & 4 had been identified. She also asked about a water leak on San Juan Drive.

2. Public Safety Report: Chief Walthers provided a written report.

Board Comments: President Mason asked about the increase in misdemeanor arrests.

- ii. **General Counsel Report** – Mr. Davis had no non agenda items to address.
- iii. **General Manager Report** – Mr. Edmonds spoke to the Board and public on rumor control, additional changes to the Agenda, and recent water leaks.

D. Dip Tank Status Update (Mr. Tuma)

- Mr. Tuma presented a Staff Report and photos of the newly constructed dip tank covers. Director Zanutto asked how quickly the covers can be removed.
Public Comments: Dawn Nelson expressed concern that the covers could be damaged by condors. Mary Cunningham commented on the blue color of the covers.

E. Tehachapi GranFondo (Chief Walthers)

- Chief Walthers showed a map of the ride route, reported on the expected times and number of riders who would come through Bear Valley and stated that no overtime would be needed for police department coverage of the ride.
Public Comments: Jim Nelson noted that this is a great event for Bear Valley to participate in, bringing the community together. Mary Cunningham suggested it would be great exposure for those trying to sell their homes.

F. Articles / Public Outreach / Communications

- Mrs. McEwen presented a Staff Report.

13. Future Agenda Items:

- A. Discussion of BVSA Lake Fill using Park & Recreation Funds (Tentative for Oct 9, 2014)
- B. Informational Presentation: Race Communications (Tentative for Oct 9, 2014)
- C. APPROVE Contract with Solar Consultant AECOM (TBD)
- D. Presentation by Disaster Preparedness Advisory Council (Tentative for Oct 23, 2014)
- E. Mailbox Presentation (TBD)

The following items were added by Mr. Edmonds at the close of the meeting for inclusion at a future Board meeting:

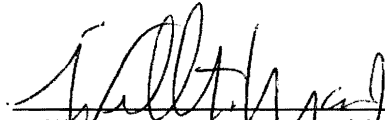
- F. ACCEPT easements for Kordes Equestrian Trail
- G. Research and report on late fee for Southern California Edison
- H. APPROVAL of Ordinance 14-239 – Pine Bark Beetle Infestation and Abatement
- I. Resolution honoring Ralph Kermod
- J. Review policy for outside water sales

Board Comments: Director Zanutto asked that correcting the wording of Addendum 5 of the Amenity Facilities lease with BVSA be addressed.

Public Comments: Jim Nelson commented on the positive changes brought to the District by the new General Manager.

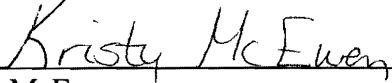
14. **Adjournment:** President Mason adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors is September 25, 2014 at 6:00 pm.



William T Mason Jr, President
Bear Valley Community Services District

ATTESTED:



Kristy McEwen
Clerk of the Board