

VANDENBERG VILLAGE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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MINUTES Regular Meeting

May 7, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice President Stassi who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. REQUEST FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER AB2449: Director Bumpass requested to participate remotely due to emergency circumstances per Government Code § 54953(f). The Directors unanimously approved with a roll call vote

3. ROLL CALL: Directors, Brooks, Gonzales, Heuring and Stassi. Director Bumpass participated via ZOOM.

OTHERS PRESENT

General Manager Cynthia Allen, Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Manager Jeff Cole, Financial Services (FS) Manager Patricia LeCavalier, and Mission Hills CSD Administrative Services Manager Carol Reynolds.

3. ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA - None

4. PUBLIC FORUM

Vice President Stassi invited public comments and there were none.

5. OPERATIONS REPORT

O&M Manager Cole reported the District pumped 26.5 million gallons of water in April with an average daily demand of 883,000 gallons. This is eight percent less than last year.

There was 2.01 inches of rain in April. The calendar year total is 15.79 inches.

The District's well levels for April were 1B-141', 3A-135', and 3B-133'.

Staff received the electrical drawings for the Pureflow system, and reviewed them with Joe Debolt and Eddie Bramasco for their approval. Pureflow started the production of the new filter valve control panel.

The field crew repaired a 12" mainline on Constellation, replaced 2 service lines, and installed a 10" mainline valve at Well 1B. There were no sanitary sewer overflows in April.

To conclude his report, O&M Manager Cole said Cindy Allen had her 31st anniversary on April 15, Manny Perez his 6th anniversary, and Brianna Jennings celebrated her 1st year with the District. Interviews for a new field crew service person were on April 17th. Juan Duran was hired and started on Monday, May 6th and Mike Garner's last day will be Friday, May 10th.

6. ADMINISTRATION REPORT

FS Manager LeCavalier said the District received a draft reconciliation of the wastewater treatment from the city of Lompoc. The draft shows that \$509,000 was paid in 2023 and a balance of \$49,000. A summary of the usage is on page 117 of the board package and details are also available.

As of June 2023, the balance for the Wastewater Capital Reserve Fund is \$209,939, and year-to-date expenditures are \$28,635.

FS Manager LeCavalier and General Manager Allen participated in a CalPERS ZOOM session on Section 115 Pension Prefunding Trust. The employer contributes money in a restricted trust fund at 4.5% interest and would not show in the District's Unfunded Accrued Liability, only as an asset for pension costs. The total Unfunded Accrued Liability varies depending on interest earnings and fair market value. The expected long-term investment return for the CalPERS retirement fund is 6.8%

To conclude her report she said the District received \$457K in April for the LRWRP payments collected on the county tax roll. Moss, Levy, & Hartzheim will be conducting the audit on May 13 and 14.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Minutes from the Regular Meeting on April 2, 2024

B. Treasurer Report

1) Monthly Financials

2) Disbursements through March 31, 2024

3) Schedule of Investments

C. Water Pumped vs. Sold, 12 Months

Motion by Director Brooks, seconded by Director Heuring to accept consent calendar as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Heuring, Gonzales, Stassi

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

8. ACTION ITEM

A. Water Conservation Program

Motion by Director Heuring, seconded by Director Brooks to adopt the revised Water Conservation Program and to approve the agreement with Flume Water and authorize the Board President to sign.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Gonzales, Heuring, Stassi

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

B. Workplace Violence Prevention Plan

Motion by Director Brooks, seconded by Director Bumpass to adopt the proposed Workplace Violence Prevention Plan.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Gonzales, Heuring, Stassi

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

C. Floradale Bridge

General Manager Allen gave an update on the expenses of the Floradale Bridge Project and referred to information provided in the board package. She passed out a spreadsheet and will be made part of these minutes. The District's portion of the project will total \$2.2 million.

Director Gonzales appreciated the fact-finding staff provided for the Directors.

D. Letter of Support for H.R. 7525

After much discussion, it was decided to re-write the letter of support and bring it back to the board at the next meeting.

E. Resolution 230-24 Opposing Initiative 1935

Motion by Director Brooks, seconded by Director Heuring to adopt Resolution 230-24 opposing Initiative 1935.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Directors Brooks, Bumpass, Gonzales, Heuring, Stassi

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

9. REPORTS

A. Committees

Directors Brooks and Stassi attended the Sustainable Ground Water Agency meeting on May 1.

Directors Heuring and Gonzales attended the Ad-hoc Committee meeting with O&M Manager Garner on May 1.

B. District Representatives to External Agencies

Director Stassi, General Manager Allen, and O&M Manager Garner attended the Santa Barbara County CSDA meeting in Goleta on April 22.

C. President

President Bumpass would like to put the reserve goal and strategic plan on the July Agenda.

D. General Manager

General Manager Allen reported Assembly Member Gregg Hart introduced Assembly Concurrent Resolution 163. This will establish Special Districts Week as May 19-25 and will coincide with Special Districts Legislative Days in Sacramento.

For anyone planning to run for a seat on the board, the candidate filing period is July 15 to August 9. There is a link to the Santa Barbara County Elections office on the District's website.

General Manager Allen provided documents to Tony Locacciato from Meridian for the Mitigated Negative Declaration proposal for the state land lease. There are funds in the budget for this report.

To conclude her report she said she was featured in the Special Districts Magazine.

10. INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

- A. US Drought Monitor: California, April 30, 2024
- B. Lompoc Regional Wastewater Reclamation Plant Loading Report, FY 22-23
- C. SWRCB Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program Certification Form, April 18, 2024
- D. AWWA Advisory: LIHWAP legislation, April 16, 2024
- E. CSDA Take Action Brief, April 2024
- F. California Financing Coordinating Committee Spring 2024 Funding Fair

11. DIRECTORS FORUM

Director Brooks said he will miss Steph when she retires next month.

Director Bumpass thanked the staff for setting up the ZOOM tonight.

Director Gonzales said he will be on vacation during next month's meeting.

Director Stassi wants to have large decals on the doors of the District's vehicles. He would like to put it on the July or later meeting agenda.

12. ADJOURN

Vice President Stassi declared the meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Attest:

Signed:

Stephanie Garner
Secretary, Board of Directors

Ronald Stassi
Vice President, Board of Directors