

Golden West Community Service District

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October 15, 2009- Meeting Minutes for Golden West Community Services District Regular Meeting, Held at El Dorado Community Church

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:04. Directors present were V. Emi Kimura, Ed White, and Barbara Nichols. Secretary McClintock was also present. Chrystie Davis requested that an item be added to the agenda as 10B, Point of Order.

2. Approval of the August 20, September 17 and Special Meeting on September 23 minutes

August 20 minutes were approved with amendments submitted by Ken Hasse. The minutes of September 17 and September 23 were approved by 3-0 vote.

3. Treasurer's Report

The district has a current balance of \$77,650.61.

Expenses for CDs, paper, printer cartridges and batteries, totaling \$120.18, were submitted by White.

A motion was made to approve payment to White and to Delta for November and December. Chrystie Davis stated that she believes that making more than one month's payment to Delta violates the Brown Act. Kimura noted that the payments are approved for more than one month, but paid one month at a time, and that Bob Toscano has approved that. There was debate on this topic and Kimura will talk to Toscano again. A motion approving payment to White and payment to Delta for November was approved by a 3-0 vote.

A. Prop 1A suspension / SP67- This state proposition would take 8% (\$5300) of the district's ad valorem money for the state. The money would be returned in June 2013 with 2% interest. The district will not seek an exemption because the district doesn't fit the parameters. Davis thinks the district does fit the parameters. Legal representation would be required to file for hardship.

4. Road Manager's Report

A. Dolomite Tree Salvage bids- One bid was received, for \$21.00. The bidder will be contacted and the bid will be awarded if he meets all requirements.

B. Volunteer Tree Trimming along Dolomite- A work order is in place and will be put out for bids. Residents have already done some trimming. A resident, George Sanders, asked about volunteering and if there are any restrictions, and White explained.

C. Weed Abatement- tabled.

5. General Manager's Report

Nichols explained the duties of the General Manager and that a Board member can't hold the position.

6. New Business

A. Galena Road Work- Work needs to be done before more rain comes. George Sanders introduced himself. He is a civil engineer and intends to volunteer to help define the road problems, working with White. He commented on the need for drainage improvements and crowning. He noted that he understands the budget concerns and the Delta obligation.

B. Road Patching- Continued to the November meeting.

7. Unfinished Business

A. E-mail disclaimer- Two suggestions were read aloud by Nichols. There was no further input from the board. Kathy White suggested dismissing the issue. There was discussion about the need and content. Bill Kaign will research new language.

B. Website Maintenance- Bill Kaign has the CD with the data structure of the current website. Jeff Malm needs confirmation of legal and financial responsibility before he can sign over the website. Kimura will take over that responsibility.

C. Sodalite Property- The property closed escrow on October 1. The title company, listing agent and new resident have agreed to pay the road fees, but the property will not be annexed into the district. The homeowner will be billed every December for the fees. Ken Hasse noted that there are three parcels on Lauren that within district boundaries and are not paying fees.

D. Road Policy Progress and dates- tabled until February 2010. The current version is on the website.

E. Mica fire signs- The wording preferred by the County is "Not a Through Street", and the sign should be placed at the intersection of Crystal and Mica, according to Hasse. Hasse will send the results of a price search to White.

8. Fire Safe Council (FSC)

The Hot Dog Social was a success and raised about \$1500 for the Fire Safe Council. Logtown is about to become a Firewise Community, and Hasse bought copies of the Firewise report. There hasn't been any more progress on the fuel reduction program, but it will resume with cooler weather. Proposition 40 and matching grant money are being used. Most of the work is being done around Crystal Blvd.

9. Correspondence

- State Fund sent forms to be filled out regarding volunteer work, for reassessment purposes.
- California Water Awareness Campaign
- SDRMA Chairman is retiring
- Letter from California Emergency Management Agency, dated September 22. Response to Second appeal- FEMA; the second appeal has been partially approved.

- Letter from the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, dated September 25. Notification of Obligation and Payments/ FEMA Grant Programs, describing the package approval in the amount of \$150,160.

It was noted that Ed White, Bernard Carlson and Ken Beam were instrumental in getting this grant approved, by persisting in correcting the original denial.

All correspondence is available for public viewing.

10. Community Comments

A. Statement by Walt Dalbeck- Dalbeck read his prepared statement, titled "Subject: Response to the correspondence distributed to the Board of Directors and community members present at the August, 2009 Board meeting.", in reply to a letter submitted by Bernard Carlson. Copies were distributed and Dalbeck offered supporting documentation. He requested a special meeting to address a request for information made by him last June.

There was discussion of the changes made to the Road Policy, how they were made and how they were approved. Dalbeck withdrew as the committee chairperson. A new committee will be established in February.

Martha Martin volunteered to work on the webpage.

Davis reminded the board that Ethics training is required for all committee chairpersons.

White would like to talk to Dalbeck about his letter.

Davis wants to see the 5 Year Plan on the agenda.

11. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45.

2009 Regular Meeting Schedule

November 19

December 17