

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Pajaro/Sunny Mesa Community Services District Board of Directors via Zoom videoconferencing was called to order at 5:30 pm on April 22, 2021.

ROLL CALL:

President Sanford Coplin
Vice President Robert Moody
Secretary Darlene Lamboley
Assistant Secretary Michael Moore
Treasurer Harry Wiggins

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

General Manager Don Rosa
Bookkeeper Amy Saldate
Recorder Judy Vazquez-Varela
Recorder Rocio Fernandez

ABSENT DIRECTOR(S) & STAFF:

None

DISTRICT COUNSEL:

Alan Smith

ADDITION(S) TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE:

1. Greg Clumpner of NBS Consultants
2. Paul Anderson, Vega customer
3. Robert Rust, Vega customer
4. Richard Moss, Vega customer
5. Steve Snodgrass, Vega customer
6. Deborah Burton, Vega customer
7. Jaime Jimenez, Vega customer
8. Ciria Perez, Vega customer
9. Miguel Cabezuela, Vega customer
10. Sam Estrada, Normco customer
11. Harvey Oliva, Normco customer
12. Sharon Joyce, Normco customer
13. David Tavarez, Sunny Mesa customer
14. Alfonso Garibay, Pajaro customer
15. Nancy Russell, Moss Landing customer
16. Linda, resident

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Action Items

1. Consider and approve the Minutes of the March 25, 2021 Regular Board Meeting with edits

Motion was made by Director Moody and seconded by Director Lamboley to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2021 with edits. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: S. Coplin; R. Moody; D. Lamboley; M. Moore; H. Wiggins
 Noes: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: (Action Items)

1. Review and consider approving the Financial Reports for March 2021

Bookkeeper Saldate presented the financial report stating the District's current cash on hand for March 2021 is \$456,890. March expenses exceeded March's income by \$38,700. March's cash is \$10,939 is less than previous month of February.

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Motion made by Director Moody and seconded by Director Moore to approve the March 2021 Financials. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: S. Coplin; R. Moody; D. Lamboley; M. Moore; H. Wiggins
 Noes: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

MONTHLY EXPENDITURES REPORT FOR REVIEW

APPROVAL OF CHECKS:

2. Review and consider approving of checks and directing Staff to sign checks

Check listing was made available to Board members at the time of meeting, utilizing screen share.

1. General Fund 633: Total of \$0.00
2. Operating Account: Check No. 24675 through Check No. 24699 for a total of \$154,900.64
3. Reserve Account: Total of \$1,250.00
4. Street Maintenance Account: Check No. 535 for a total of \$308.87
5. Pajaro Park Account: Total of \$1,451.06
6. COP 2010 Account: Total of \$1,017,121.85
7. Debt Service Reserve Account: Total of \$0.00

Motion was made by Director Wiggins seconded by Director Lamboley to approve the March 2021 checks, and direct Staff to sign checks. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: S. Coplin; R. Moody; D. Lamboley; M. Moore; H. Wiggins
 Noes: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

3. Review and consider adoption of five-year (2021-2026) Water Rates and Fees Schedule

Proposition 218 Protest Hearing: Proposed Increases in Water Rates and Fees

- a. Board Chair spoke on proposed increases.
- b. A power point presentation was presented by Greg Clumpner of NBS Consultants, he summarized the NBS Water Rate and Capacity Fee Analysis Report and the proposed rate structure.
- c. Staff Report: General Manager Rosa. Staff announced that 1354 parcels were eligible to vote, 678 votes were required for a successful protest. Current tabulation is 144 protest.
- d. Directors may ask questions to Staff
- e. Chair Coplin opened the hearing for public testimony. Testimony may be limited to 1 to 2 minutes per speaker, depending on the number of persons wishing to speak, so that everyone may speak, and any written comments are to be read into the record.

General Manager read questions and comments that were submitted in writing.

1. What would be the cost per customer utilizing a one-time assessment for the purchase of generators? Answer-Approximately \$1,000.00
2. What is the cost per customer with project financed over 25 years for the purchase of generators? Answer-Approximately \$2,000.00
3. Why hasn't the District pursued other grant funding for generators? Answer-The District has pursued several types of funding including grants and requested assistance from PG&E and State of California.

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4. If the proposed rate increase passes will the rates automatically increase annually?
Answer-No, the Board of Directors will meet annually to review the need for an increase based on the current budget.
5. Comments from email: Cannot attend meeting due to no time to protest by end of meeting. Water Bill will triple in 5 years. District should have explained where they applied for grant funding. District should provide evidence that renewal energy will be less reliable. Cost of generators reserves, and Staff should have been broken down. What is the Districts plan to the new water lines installed in Moss Landing? Pajaro does not have an objective opinion on the chances of fire, should have expert from fire department. Gravity fed storage tanks would be a cheaper option for water supply during power outages.
6. Comments from email: from Vega Water System. Water systems should pay for generators just like Vega customers did.
7. Paul Anderson, Vega Water System: Vega WS had to pay for water system upgrades solely, they should not have to pay for other system's upgrades.
8. Sharon Joyce, Normco Water System: Believes this increase to be necessary not just for fire protection but also for everyday household water use.
9. Nancy Russell, Moss Landing Water System: Would like the comments from email addressed regarding the grants application.
10. Robert Rust, Vega Water System: Object to the meeting being via videoconferencing and agrees with Paul Andersons comments.
11. Richard Moss, Vega Water System: Would like to know what the District wide systems upgrades are and suggested that the systems be assessed the same way Vega Water System was assessed for upgrades.
12. Steve Snodgrass, Vega Water System: Would like to know if the 3.5 million deficit includes the generators.
13. Sam Estrada, Normco Water System: Wrote in that People were not properly informed and not a good idea to propose the increase during the pandemic.
14. Paul Anderson, Vega Water System: Pajaro required the Vega Mutual Water System to upgrade their system at 4.5 million dollars but did not make any other of the water systems upgrade prior to joining the District.
15. Harvey Olivia, Normco Water System: Many people who must travel elsewhere for a competitive pay.
16. Deborah Burton, Vega Water System: Agrees with Paul Anderson, Vega was forced to upgrade but not any of the other systems. Most of the people in Vega have a 1-and-a-half-inch meter, can those lines and meters be down sized?
17. Rober Rust, Vega Water System: Vega system should be isolated and not be part of the increase, not being treated fairly. Holding meeting via videoconferencing is not fair for the rate payers.
18. Sam Estrada, Normco Water System: Did not receive the ballot in the letter, can the protest be extended?
19. Steve Snodgrass, Vega Water System: Discussed the history of how the District acquired most of its systems.
20. Paul Anderson, Vega Water System: Vega is stuck with Pajaro/Sunny Mesa, Board needs to recognize that Vega has paid for its upgrades and should not pay for any other system.
21. Jaime Jimenez, Vega Water System: Office closes to early to drop off a protest.

Last call for protests or withdraw of protest and close hearing. Allow for a 5 minutes recess.

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General Manager announced 144 protest were received.

Motion made by Director Coplin and seconded by Director Wiggins to approve the Ordinance # 04-01-21 of the Board of Directors of the Pajaro/Sunny Mesa Community Services District Adopting Water Rates and Fees commencing July 1, 2021 Amending "Exhibit A Rate Schedule" of Ordinance 88-04-01. Motion carried.

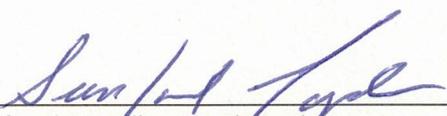
Roll Call Vote:	Ayes:	S. Coplin; R. Moody; D. Lambolely; M. Moore; H. Wiggins
	Noes:	None
	Absent:	None
	Abstain:	None

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

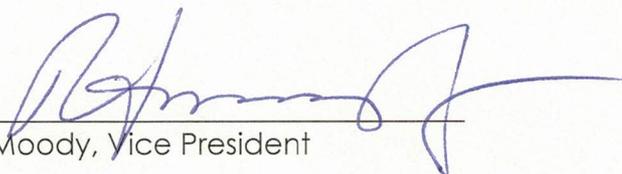
The next Regular Board Meeting is to be held on Thursday, May 27, 2021 at 5:30 pm via Zoom videoconferencing.

There being no further business, the Regular Board Meeting of the Pajaro/Sunny Mesa Community Services District was adjourned at 7:52 pm with motion made by Director Moody seconded by Director Lambolely. Motion carried.

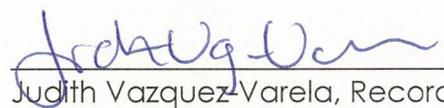
Respectfully submitted by:



Sanford Coplin, President



Robert Moody, Vice President



Judith Vazquez-Varela, Recorder