

**MONO COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 1
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
ZOOM
4/28/21**

Board Members Present: John Connolly, Rick Laborde, Dave Titus, Denise Perpall
Board Members Absent: One Board Vacancy
Staff: Marianne O'Connor
Guests: Rhonda Duggan, Lorinda Beatty

MINUTES

John Connolly called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. Lorinda Beatty was introduced to the Board as the new Secretary of the Board effective 7/1/21, replacing Marianne O'Connor due to her retirement.

PUBLIC – None

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS – John Connolly reported there have been some water issues regarding Hilton Creek. He has talked with some neighbors and explained diversions, run off, etc. Peak runoff will not hit until it gets really hot.

Dave Titus asked if next month the Board can discuss ballfield maintenance. Neil McConnell, Little League, would like to have some maintenance done at the ballfield. He has received some suggestions for cost savings. The field needs to be playable for adults and kids. The infield has never been in good shape. Dave will continue to discuss this project with people who may be able to assist and have more information at the May meeting.

Rhonda Duggan said to let her know if CSA1 has projects that need to get on the County schedule. She also advised that the Board of Supervisors are writing a letter regarding the new mining project proposal. She also commented that some Crowley Lake constituents are concerned about the USFS burn schedule. They will present their plans and schedule to the Board of Supervisors.

APPROVE MINUTES – Rick Laborde made a motion to approve the 3/23/21 Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Dave Titus seconded the motion. Connolly, Titus, Perpall and Laborde all voted yes.

BOARD VACANCIES – No additional interest so far.

FINANCIAL REPORT – John Connolly made a motion to approve the 3/31/21 financial report. Rick Laborde seconded the motion. Connolly, Laborde, Perpall and Titus all voted yes.

CROWLEY LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER LANDSCAPE PROJECT – Nothing new to report. Project is complete. This will be removed from the agenda.

COMMUNITY GARDEN – John put a notice out about the garden plots and all four spots have been rented. John will send the funds to Marianne to deposit with the County.

HIKING/BIKING TRAILS – John continues to talk to people but nothing new to report.

SKATE PARK – John reached out to the County and was told the project will be delayed until after all of the County “mandated” projects are done first. It was suggested that we might look into a shade manufacturer who will also come out to install the shade structure. John is not keen on that because private contractors seem to charge 2 – 3 times for the installation. Rhonda will get an updated schedule and since CSA1 has the funds, we should not get kicked down the schedule. She will get more information before the May meeting.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS – Isabel reported that a limited summer program can happen. She will keep working with the County regarding the schedule and also in recruiting instructors.

TENNIS COURTS – John assumes this project is probably also pushed down the schedule.

CLUSTER MAILBOXES – John commented that 57 survey results were received online. 36 indicated YES they would like residential delivery in cluster mailboxes plus 6 YES votes were received in regular mail = 42 YES. There were 4 results with no interest, and 14-15 indicating they already have delivery near their residence. It appears that once this project gets started, there will be additional interest. John advised he received a call from Pam at the County to say that the County can’t do the Post Office’s job and so they will have to be very involved in planning, etc. She said she would reach out to the Postmaster regarding locations for new cluster mailboxes, etc. The Board of Supervisors would have to approve CSA1 spending funds on the mailboxes. Marianne will email County Counsel about this funding question. Rhonda will talk with County Counsel about this if Marianne does not get a response.

BILLS TO BE PAID – Rick Laborde made a motion to pay the bills as presented. John Connolly seconded the motion. Connolly, Titus, Perpall and Laborde all voted yes.

BOARD SECRETARY POSITION – The Board welcomed Lorinda Beatty and thanked her for applying for the position. Marianne indicated there may be a few boxes of documents that need to be stored. Lorinda suggested she may be able to store them in her storage unit, which she will charge a fee per box. Marianne is working with County Counsel on Lorinda’s contract and will begin training prior to the May meeting.

AMENDMENT TO MARIANNE O’CONNOR’S CONTRACT – John Connolly made a motion to recommend an amendment to Marianne O’Connor’s contract for the 2020/2021 period to increase the annual limit to \$7500.00. Dave Titus seconded the motion. Laborde, Perpall, Connolly and Titus all voted yes. This recommendation will be forwarded to County Counsel to be included in the Board of Supervisor’s agenda for approval.

SITE MAINTENANCE – John reached out to Tony Dublino re: WiFi possibilities for the site in order to provide WiFi to underserved areas in the County. Rick Laborde commented there may be some grants coming up for this which the County likely knows about. Rhonda will let the Board know about anything that comes up.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

BUSINESS INITIATED BY BOARD MEMBERS OR SECRETARY – Dave Titus asked if there are any possibilities for horse stables or boarding facilities within the District? Horse owners are getting priced out of Sierra Meadows Ranch and are looking for boarding opportunities outside of Bishop for the summer season.

There has been an inquiry regarding the potential for sand volleyball courts at the ballfield. This item will be placed on the May agenda.

Denise asked if the Board would like to organize the annual Yard Sale this year? She is still willing to coordinate this project. The date would be pushed back to after the 6/15/21 date California is set to ease COVID restrictions. This will be placed on the May agenda.

The next regular Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 5:30 by Zoom, unless posted otherwise.

John Connolly made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Laborde seconded the motion. Connolly, Titus, Perpall and Laborde all voted yes. The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.