

# VANDENBERG VILLAGE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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## **Minutes Special Meeting**

**July 18, 2008**

The Board of Directors of the Vandenberg Village Community Services District met for a Special Meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, July 18, 2008, at the District Office Conference Room.

### **1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by President Rowland who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL: Directors Blair, Brooks, Rowland, and Wyckoff were present. Director Fox was absent.

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Joe Barget, General Manager; Cynthia Allen, Office Manager and one member of the public were present.

### **3. ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

### **4. PUBLIC FORUM**

President Rowland opened the public forum at 8:02 a.m. There were no comments from the public. President Rowland closed the Public Forum at 8:03 a.m.

## 5. OPERATIONS REPORT

The District pumped 57.5 million gallons of water in June. The average daily demand was 1.9 million gallons per day. Between 7:15 a.m. on Saturday, June 21 and 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 22 well records showed the District pumped 3.1 million gallons of water, one of the highest production periods ever.

There was no rainfall in June. Total rainfall since October 1 stands at 14.4 inches. The county Flood Control District records reflect the county-wide rainfall to date is 102% of normal.

The field crew replaced three 1-inch polybutylene service lines and one 1-inch copper service line.

The Field crew finished replacing the last of nine 2-inch polybutylene dead end blowoffs in the water distribution system. This completes Goal #10 in the District's Strategic Plan.

The District had one sanitary system overflow that staff electronically reported to the State Water Resources Control Board. An estimated 50 gallons of sewage spilled from the sewer lateral at 344 St. Andrews Way on June 9. This was considered a Category 2 spill, defined as a private-owned lateral spill.

R. Baker, Inc., with support from the field crew, replaced two 12-inch gate valves and 110 feet of 12-inch water main within an easement at 118 Oakmont during the week of June 23-27.

## 6. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of minutes of the May 13, 2008 Regular Meeting

B. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports

**Motion by Director Wyckoff, seconded by Director Brooks to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.**

**Unanimous among the four Directors present**

## 7. ACTION ITEMS

### A. **Allen Resolution 179-08**

President Rowland read the Resolution and presented it to Cindy Allen.

**Roll call vote to wit:**

**AYES: Directors Blair, Brooks, Rowland and Wyckoff**

**NOTES: None**

**ABSENT: Director Fox**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**Resolution 179-08 was adopted**

### B. **Moore Claim**

**Motion by Director Brooks, seconded by Director Blair to approve the claim from Phyllis and Mark Moore for \$4,100.69 for sewage cleanup and carpet replacement.**

**Unanimous among the four Directors present.**

### C. **Cloudseeding**

**Motion by Director Wyckoff, seconded by Director Blair to participate in a reduced cloudseeding program in FY 2008-09 that consists of ground level seeding of the Twitchell Reservoir watershed.**

**Unanimous among the four Directors present.**

### D. **Chlorine Residual Analyzer/Controller**

**Motion by Director Blair, seconded by Director Brooks to increase the FY 2008-09 Capital Improvement Budget by \$9,500**

**Unanimous among the four Directors present.**

**8. REPORTS**

**A. Committees**

There were no committee meetings this month.

**B. District Representatives to External Agencies**

Director Blair and General Manager Barget attended the Santa Barbara Special Districts Association monthly dinner meeting in Solvang on June 23.

Director Blair, Director Wyckoff and General Manager Barget attended the annual San Luis Obispo Special Districts Association meeting on July 11 in Avila Beach.

**C. Board President**

Nothing further to report.

**D. General Manager**

Stetson Engineers continues to work on the recharge study. Mr. Steve Reich, geophysicist from Stetson Engineers, identified two promising sites north of Mission Hills for either percolation basins or injection wells to recharge the Lompoc Uplands aquifer: one in the Burton Mesa Ecological Reserve and the other on Plains Exploration & Production Property. Mr. Reich, General Manager Barget, and General Manager Riley of Mission Hills CSD met with two representatives from Plains Exploration & Production and toured their property on July 7.

The County Planning Department issued a notice of preparation of draft EIR for the 2003-08 Housing Element Focused Rezone Program. The proposed project is to

rezone two sites in Orcutt to accommodate a minimum of 370 units of multifamily housing. The EIR will also consider five additional sites in three combinations of alternatives. One alternative is the 9.2-acre Ebbert property in Vandenberg Village and the 15-acre Cal-Trans property in Mission Hills. General Manager Barget invited the Directors to attend a public scoping meeting on the draft EIR will be held on Tuesday, July 22 at 6:00 p.m. at the Betteravia Government Center.

Mr. Gregory Belluz at 4466 Titan, recently called Plumb Perfect Plumbing to his home to clear blockage from his sewer lateral. The plumbing contractor and the District's field crew determined that a 10-foot section of the sewer lateral underneath the street had sagged and this condition was the cause of the blockage. Since the District is responsible for repair to the portion of a sewer lateral within public rights-of-way, the field crew excavated the problem section and replaced it. Staff anticipates Mr. Belluz may file a claim to reimburse his plumbing expenses.

The Directors questioned the necessity for the Board to approve claims if they are only for a couple hundred dollars. The General Manager said District ordinances do not address this issue; however, it is customary to allow a general manager to approve small claims but require a board to make decisions on the larger ones. The Directors suggested allowing the General Manager to approve claims less than \$1,000.

General Manager Barget requested the Directors determine which major conferences they would like to attend. This will provide the Board Secretary with plenty of time to register for the conferences and make hotel reservations.

Director Blair would like to attend the Annual CSDA Conference in Irvine, September 23-25. Director Brooks would like to attend the Fall ACWA Conference in Long Beach, December 2-5 and Director Wyckoff would like to

attend the Spring ACWA Conference in Sacramento May 19–21.

VVCSD's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is on Tuesday, December 2. Staff is suggesting a celebration for Friday, December 5, in the Ellery Room at the Village Country Club.

To conclude his report General Manager Barget said he made airline reservations to fly to Virginia and requested to take a six-week vacation from September 6 through October 17.

#### 9. INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Letter dated June 4, 2008 from ACWA/JPIA regarding Workers' Compensation, Liability, and Property Risk Assessment
- B. Letter dated July 7, 2008 to Ronald Stassi, Lompoc Utilities Director, regarding Wastewater Service Agreement

#### 10. DIRECTORS' FORUM:

- A. Director Wyckoff said he will be out of town from August 13-16.
- B. Director Blair will be out of town from July 23 to August 10.
- C. Director Brooks would like the District to search for a \$175,000 Grant to fund the solar project.

#### 11. FIELD TRIP

Directors Blair and Wyckoff went to Heritage Ranch Community Services District to tour their water and wastewater facility with General Manager Barget.

#### 12. ADJOURN

**President Rowland declared the meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.**

**Unanimous among the four Directors present.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Approved as to form,**

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**Stephanie Vlahos-Rivera**  
**Secretary, Board of Directors**

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**Donald Rowland**  
**President, Board of Directors**