

Marinwood Community Services District

Draft Minutes of Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday April 13, 2010

Time and Place: 7:30PM Marinwood Community Center classroom.

Present:

Board Members: Bruce Anderson, Cyane Dandridge and Leah Green.

Absent: Bill Hansell and Tarey Read.

Staff: District Manager Thomas Horne, Chief Tom Roach, Park Manager Gary Harrelson and Administrative Assistant Carolyn Sullivan.

Others present: Jennifer Brooke, Kimberly Call and Ron Marinoff.

Agenda

No changes.

M/s Green/ Anderson to approve agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from Public on Non Agenda Items

No comments.

Consent Calendar

1. Minutes of Regular meeting of March 9, 2010: No comments.

2. Claims 778-872: No comments.

M/s Anderson/Green to approve consent calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

Recognition

Horne commented that the park staff had been working hard on pool improvements.

Correspondence

1. Letter from Marin County Counsel re: fees increase and creation of employment law group: Horne noted this is not an action item.

2. Letter from Marin County Special Districts: Horne stated it would nice to be represented. Anderson volunteered to attend.

Board Member Item of Interest

Anderson commented that the Marinwood Farmer's Market will begin on Saturday April 24th, and there will be a coffee cart opening at the Plaza location on April 14th.

District Manager's Report

No comments.

Park and Recreation Matters

1. Minutes of March 23, 2010 meeting of Commission: Anderson asked if there were any action items at the meeting. Jennifer Brooke stated, no. Dandridge asked about the Mary Silveira students. Brooke responded the commission discussed the student's interest in tree plantings, and would like them to come to the commission with a clear project idea. Brooke continued there was concern for using staff time for projects such as these, and that teacher involvement is a must. Dandridge stated schools could do an adopt a median project.

2. Recreation activities update: DeMarta stated Breakfast with Bunny went well, and thanked the Lion's Club and the Fire Department for their help. Right now the staff is finalizing summer programs, and working on staff training. Dandridge asked about registrations. DeMarta responded, pool is going well, but camp is a bit down from this time last year. We have been able to set up payment plans for those registrations upwards of \$4,000 for the summer. Brooke commented the commission is constantly trying to figure out new ways to earn revenue. Brooke continued, the taxes we pay for our services are more than reasonable, the per person costs are significantly less than other communities. Horne stated the commission is working on a long term process, but this year is not a good time for a tax increase. Anderson stated all the commission's need to gather in one room to discuss the future of the district. Brooke commented a facilitator would be essential for a meeting like that. Dandridge asked for this topic to be placed on the next Board agenda. Green commented we need to do something, but have discussed having a facilitator before, and they are costly, can we look for a middle ground to save money. Dandridge responded, yes, but you get what you pay for. Kimberly Call commented we should inquire within the community for some pro bono work.

3. Park Maintenance Report: Harrelson reported they will be digging holes and planting the new trees this week. Harrelson noted that for 11 years he has been working with students in the community doing various projects.

4. Ordinance No. 3 re-draft: Horne asked the Board to review this for future adoption. Anderson noted that when he had spoken about this Ordinance to neighbors, they were concerned about the limitations of only three dogs they would be able to walk. He

continued by commenting, if one were to walk their dogs as well as they neighbor's dogs they would be breaking the law, which is inconvenient. Horne responded our number of dogs corresponds with the County's ordinance for number of dog's.

5. Appointment of Chad Ackley to Commission:

M/s Anderson/ Green to appoint Chad Ackley to the Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Letter from Kimberly Call requesting appointment to Commission: Marinoff noted a five person commission makes it easier to do business because you need three people for a quorum. Dandridge asked if the commission considered this. Brooke stated no. Dandridge asked this be put back to the commission. Anderson commented he feels a seven person commission is the best situation, but the commission should discuss this. Green stated she would like to send this back to the commission and have them return with a specific recommendation for the Board.

M/s Anderson/ Green to appoint Kimberly Call to the Commission. Ayes: Anderson. Nays: Green and Dandridge.

Fire Department Matters

1. Minutes of April 6, 2010: No additional comments.

2. Fire Chief's Report: Anderson asked when the next meeting with San Rafael is. Roach responded April 27th, and at that point more information will be sent toward the Board.

3. Matrix Consulting Study of Marinwood and San Rafael emergency response issues: Horne commented the report will be made public shortly. Matrix presented four solutions, and we are exploring those options.

New and Other Business

1. Resolution No. 316 Raising the Service Charge for Street Lighting to the Maximum Amount Approved by Voters in 1980: Horne stated we have to replace the wiring in one streetlight which has the cost of \$15,000. Horne expressed concern that the wiring to the rest of the eleven streetlights in Roundtree would eventually need replacement.

M/s Anderson/ Green to approve Resolution No. 316 Raising the Service Charge for Street Lighting to the Maximum Amount Approved by Voters in 1980. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Budget 2010-11: Horne stated this budget does not contain any money from San Rafael.

M/s Green/Anderson to adopt preliminary budget for entry into County accounting system. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Streetlight replacement at 79 Roundtree Blvd: Horne stated we have to replace the direct bury cable with conduit. He had looked into a solar alternative, but it does not match the existing, and it is the same price. Call stated she would love to see less street lighting in our community.

4. Other New Business: None.

The date of the next Regular meeting Board meeting is May 11, 2010 at 7:30PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Sullivan