

**SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

August 7, 2014

7:30 p.m.

CONVENE MEETING/ROLL CALL:

Pres. Bruce convened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Roll call showed Dirs. Brown, Rapoza, Vierra were present. Dir. Prather was absent. Acting District Manager Rogers, Deputy Director of Operations Furtado, Environmental Analyst Michelsen, and Legal Counsel Hynes were also present.

MINUTES:

Minutes Regular Meeting of July 17, 2014.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Bruce, Rapoza, Vierra, Brown
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Prather

Minutes Special Meeting of July 29, 2014.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Bruce, Rapoza, Vierra, Brown
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Prather

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

ADD:

OLYMPIA MUTUAL CONSOLIDATION PROJECT BID AWARD- Item 8f
REIMBURSEMENT ADVANCE TO LOMPICO COUNTY WATER-Item 8g

MOVE:

OLYMPIA WATERSHED PATROL SUMMARY REPORT-Item 8d to Item 8a

Motion made by Dir. Vierra to add Items 8f and 8g to New Business and to move Item 8d to 8a position on the agenda.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Brown, Bruce, Rapoza, Vierra
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Prather

EXCUSED DIRECTOR ABSENCE

Motion made by Dir. Vierra to excuse the absence of Dir. Prather for August 7, 2014 Board of Directors Meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Brown, Bruce, Rapoza, Vierra
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Prather

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Mike Schultz, Ben Lomond, sent an email to Acting District Manager Rogers regarding a piece of property that he has in escrow that is just short of being a full acre, which is necessary for it to be buildable. SLVWD has a surplus piece of property (aka The Plunge”) that is adjacent to the Schultz property that, if added to his property, will make an acre. Mike would like to purchase the SLVWD adjacent property. He will contact staff to pursue steps for purchase of surplus property.

Colette McLaughlin, Boulder Creek, states that the salary increase voted in by the Board for the Acting District Manager was unethical.

Charles Baughman, Boulder Creek, questioned the location of the Integrated Regional Management Plan. Has the District been updated on this committee? President Bruce noted that we do not have a seat at that table at this time. Environmental Analyst Michelsen said that SLVWD is not active on the committee but that we will look into possibilities.

Karen Brown, Boulder Creek, complimented the Board and staff on the repair of the Scenic Tank.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

OLYMPIA WATERSHED PATROL SUMMARY REPORT

Barry Baker, Conservation Easement Steward, Land Trust of Santa Cruz County, presented his report.

Karen Brown, Boulder Creek, noted that the fence cutting might be caused by equestrians.

Nina Moore, Felton, stated that she has seen a specific individual with off-leash dogs. The individual state that her dogs have shock collars. Shock collars are not an acceptable alternative to leashes.

Staff noted that Barry and his staff are there to observe and not to police or enforce the watershed rules. SLVWD has a large investment in fencing and gates to protect the watershed.

Pennelope Carpenter, Ben Lomond, thinks that dog owners need to be educated on the rules to protect the watershed.

Charles Baughman, Boulder Creek, has been to the watershed and notes that the damage is done by mountain bikers and equestrians.

Motion made by Director Vierra to accept the Olympia Watershed Patrol report.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Brown, Bruce, Rapoza, Vierra
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Prather

2014 FINAL REPORT FOR BOULDER CREEK ELEMENTARY PARENT’S CLUB “FIFTH GRADERS TO SCIENCE CAMP”

Motion made by Director Rapoza to accept the final report for the BCE “Fifth Graders to Science Camp.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Brown, Bruce, Vierra, Rapoza
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Prather

2014 FINAL REPORT FOR SANTA CRUZ MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTROY, CRYSTALS CAVES AND KILNS

John Fasolas, Felton, stated that he is very pleased with the grant program for the long lasting educational effect it has on the stewardship of the valley.

Motion was made by Dir. Vierra to accept the final report for the Crystals, Caves & Kilns exhibition.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Brown, Bruce, Rapoza, Vierra
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Prather

2014 FINAL REPORT FOR SLVHS ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING COURSE

President Bruce stated that the SLVHS Monitoring Course is a great experience and a tremendous investment in the future of our community, the school and the environment.

Motion made by Dir. Rapoza to accept the SLVHS Environmental Monitoring Course final report for 2014.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Brown, Bruce, Vierra, Rapoza
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Prather

2014 FINAL REPORT FOR THE GARDEN FAIRE SPONSORSHIP

Nina Moore, Felton, it was very commendable that all of the water districts were there together.

Motion made by Dir. Vierra to accept the 2014 Final Report Garden Faire Sponsorship

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Brown, Bruce, Rapoza, Vierra,
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Prather

1440 CENTER REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Dir. Vierra has serious concerns about the additional water use. Bethany College water usage is not listed in the report so there is not analysis or caparisons.

Dir. Brown has concerns about Carbonera Creek run off.

Dir. Rapoza is concerned about the fact that the city of Scotts Valley has been touting low impact practices for retaining storm water and recharging the aquifer but there is no mention of these practices in this project. SVWD has no requirement for the developer to do any offsets.

John Fasolas, Felton, thinks that the project should have a requirement for reclaimed water.

Dir. Brown thinks that we should request an environmental impact report.

Acting District Manager Rogers asked our hydrologist to take a look at the project and he found that the projected water usage would be 44,000 gallons per day as the project stands now.

Charles Baughman, Boulder Creek, noted that the appendices listed on the report were not available until yesterday, August 6, 2014.

Eric Hammer, Brookdale, as a contractor, he states there are ways to improve the sight and slow the runoff to recharge the aquifer. The amount of water usage is a concern.

Mark Lee, Ben Lomond, questions if it is possible to get a more focused review and have the timeline extended. We can attend the meeting and request an extension.

Motion made by Dir. Rapoza to direct staff to prepare comments for the 1140 Center Redevelopment Project for the August 20, 2014 comment deadline. Staff will submit comments to the Board by August 18 for review.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Brown, Bruce, Vierra, Rapoza
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Prather

AUTHORIZATION TO BID FOR INVENTORY MATERIALS FOR A SIX-MONTH PERIOD

Motion made by Dir. Vierra to authorize staff to put out to bid for inventory material for a six-month period.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Brown, Bruce, Rapoza, Vierra
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Prather

AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT – OLYMPIA MUTUAL CONSOLIDATION PROJECT

Mark Lee, Boulder Creek, questioned whether there is an accelerated completion bonus in the contract.

Motion made by Director Vierra to accept the bid from Monterey Peninsula Engineering and approve Resolution No. 7 (14-15).

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Brown, Bruce, Rapoza, Vierra
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Prather

REIMBURSEMENT ADVANCE TO LOMPICO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Pres. Bruce asks what will be the consequences if we do not advance Lompico \$6,197.81?

Peter Lang, Boulder Creek, says that he is a better risk than Lompico County Water District and he would also like a loan. They are not a good credit risk.

Bruce Holloway, Boulder Creek, asked why don't we loan them \$25,000 at 3%?

Director Vierra stated that this is basically a secured loan with the state as a co-signer.

Motion made by Dir. Vierra that the proper legal documents be drawn up to advance the Lompico County Water District \$6,197.81.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Brown, Bruce, Rapoza, Vierra
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Prather

GENERAL MANAGERS REPORTS:

a. Manager

(1) Bill List Period Ending August 7, 2014.

Motion made by Dir. Rapoza to approve the Bill list for the period ending August 7, 2014 in the amount of \$474,763.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Brown, Bruce, Vierra, Rapoza
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

(2) Board received Department Status Reports

Deputy Director of Operations added that the water conservation for this period is 22% for Felton and 29% for NorthSouth.

Dir, Vierra noted that the suggested bonds that were liquidated had a predicted loss of \$55,000 but due to timing the loss was only \$23,000.

b. Committee/Director Reports (Oral)

- (1) Public Relations
- (2) Environmental
- (3) Facilities & Planning

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION:

Pres. Bruce adjourned the regular meeting to Closed Session at 9:15 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION TO REPORT ACTIONS TAKEN:

Pres. Bruce reconvened the regular meeting at 9:35 p.m. and reported that the board had conducted and concluded Counsel's annual evaluation

ADJOURNMENT:

Pres. Bruce adjourned the meeting at 9:37 p.m.

Holly B. Morrison
District Secretary