## SADDLE CREEK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## April 15, 2014

#### CALL TO ORDER

The Saddle Creek Community Services District (CSD) Board of Directors held their monthly meeting on Tuesday April 15, 2014. President Lazarus called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM in the Members Lounge and led Directors and staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Roll call indicated the following directors were present:

	President:	Kent Lazarus
	Vice President:	Scott Baker
	Director	Sue Russ
	Director	Charles Robinson
Staff:	The following staff members were present:	
	General Manager:	Charles Martin
	Site Manager:	Greg Hebard
	Acting Clerk	Vicki Robinson
	Public:	Castle & Cooke, Dave Haley

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

M/ by Director Baker and S/ by Director Russ to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2014. M/ passed unanimously.

#### CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF AGENDA:

None suggested.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Board, Staff or a member of the public requests specific items to be set aside for separate action.

a. M/ by Director Robinson and S/ by Director Russ to move approval of expenditures incurred by the district during the month of March.
M/ passed unanimously.

### CORRESPONDENCE: (Board will briefly address/respond/refer)

None.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

a. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION: Board discussion of Mr. Dave Haley's (Castle & Cooke VP/Division Manager C&C Saddle Creek, Inc.) written response to CSD's written request that Castle & Cooke assist in securing property/facilities for District operations.

Director Robinson expressed concern that without a long-term lease agreement the District could find itself without adequate facilities, should the property sold or if there was a management change within Castle & Cooke. In response to Mr. Haley's offer of a "letter of accommodation, Director Robinson stated that would not provide sufficient protection for the District.

GM Martin acknowledged the current informal accommodation by Castle & Cooke. He also advised the Board that, although it was not an urgent need, this matter must resolved because without a formal agreement in place, the District could be left without the facilities necessary for it to conduct business. The District does not have the funds necessary to acquire property for maintenance, office and meeting space and in order to do so, would have to assess some sort of fees or taxes. Greg confirmed there is reason to be concerts because Castle & Cooke staff had already alluded to charging the District for meeting space

President Lazarus asked if there were regulations prohibiting the District for obtaining/using property outside of the District's boundaries. GM Martin clarified that the District was able to extend it's boundaries, by eminent domain if necessary, the business of the District and it's meetings must be conducted on District property/

Mr. Haley suggested that he raise the issue with Castle & Cooke's attorneys and the Board directed GM Martin to work on a plan with Mr. Haley and report back as progress is made.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

a. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION: Director Robinson has requested the Board discuss the prospect of undertaking a feasibility study for installing fencing (post and chain) on CSD controlled property to prevent entry into wetlands/habitat by golfers or other unauthorized parties.

Director Robinson stated there were ongoing concerns about unauthorized access to the wetlands mainly by golfers. Although the Army Corps of Engineers would prefer fencing around the wetlands, that has been considered the least palatable of solutions. For a time Golf Operations was doing an adequate job of educating the public, via the marshals and notices in the golf carts and score cards. Since those efforts have been abandoned by Golf

Operations and since they have started erecting fences around the golf course, Director Robinson wonders if it's time for the District to also consider fencing options.

Director Baker asked if the District could assess a fine for unauthorized access to the wetlands or take pictures and report access violations. GM Martin stated that the District could only report violations., it has no authority to fine the public in this circumstance.

When President Lazarus asked if the District understands fully how widespread the problem is and it's potential impact on the District's property., Mr. Haley suggested that he, Mr. Higgins and Greg meet to discuss the issue. He stated that having Golf Operations resume their efforts to educate the public on this matter was preferable to having to undesirable fencing.

The Board agreed and directed Staff to report back at the next meeting.

b. ACTION/RESOLUTION: Board Members are asked to adopt a Resolution requesting consolidation of Saddle Creek CSD's 2014 elections for three (3) Directors. The election to be held November 4, 2014.

M/ by Director Robinson and S/ by Director Russ.

Ayes: President Lazaras, Directors Baker, Robinson, and Russ Noes: None. Abstained: None Absent: Director Debaldo

M/ passed unanimously.

c. ACTION/SIMPLE MOTION: Staff requests Board authorization for Secretary to submit Resolution of Consolidation and Notice of General District Election form to Calaveras County Election Department. and to determine if Candidate Statements are to be paid by the Candidate or the District. Note: Those interested in running in this election my obtain nomination papers from the Calaveras County Clerks Office, 891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas, CA between July 18<sup>th</sup> and August 8 (or August 13 if an incumbent does not file).

After discussion, M/ by Director Baker and S/ by Director Robinson to direct the Secretary to submit Resolution of Consolidation and Notice of General District Election form to Calaveras County Election Department. and that Candidate Statements costs are to be paid by the Candidate.

M/ passed unanimously.

## STAFF REPORTS

Site Manager: Mosquito abatement spraying will being this week,

Requested authorization for expenditure of up to \$250 to host the annual meeting of the State's Mosquito/Vector Control Association., which will be attended by various Association members, Department of Health representatives and vendors. The Board expenditures of up to the stated amount.

General Manager:

Nothing to report.

## DIRECTORS REPORTS:

President Lazarus asked for an update from Mr. Haley on the status of the new entry to Saddle Creek. Mr. Haley stated that although Castle & Cooke has verbal approval from the County, they are still working towards formal approval.

V/President Baker has received an email from a resident complaining of dog waste on a sidewalk.Director Baker asked if taking care of dog waste on sidewalks was a District responsibility. GM Martin stated that unless there was a pubic hazard, it was not.

Mr. Haley stated the HOA has been in contact with the same resident and that the HOA is assessing monthly fines on the dog-owner.

Secretary Robinson asked Greg about plans to repaint the lines on the streets.

Greg stated no money was budgeted this year. Mr. Haley said that the roads impacted by Phase 7 would be painted after those roads had been slurried, but that would not be for at least year. He agreed agreed that all roads are in need of repainting and offered to pay for the paint if the District would take care of the labor. Greg reminded Mr. Haley that a quote had been submitted to Mr. Haley last year for a contractor to do this work. Mr. Haley did not recall that quote and Greg will re-submit it. The Board was in agreement that all of the roads require the lines to be repainted.

Director Russ had nothing to report other than that during the process of discussing with Greg the necessity for a light over the entrance key pad, Greg discovered there was a light already in place. Greg contacted the vendor and had the light switch activated.

Director DeBaldo: Not present.

ADJOURNMENT – Having no further business, President Lazarus adjourned the meeting at 2:40 PM. CSD's next board meeting date is May 20, 2014.

Vicki Robinson, Acing, CSD Clerk

Charles Martin, General Manager

APPROVED BY:

Kent Lazarus, Board President

Scott Baker, V/President

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