## HOMESTEAD VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 26, 2013 at the Homestead Valley Community Center

**1. Call to Order**: President Einar Asbo called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Other Board members present were Secretary Burnett Tregoning and Directors Scott Noble and Robert Westbrook. Also present: Manager Tom Roberts and Al Leibof, candidate to fill the board vacancy created by the resignation of Catherine Howe.

**2.** Visitors to the Meeting and Open Time for Public Expression: No visitors, no open time for public expression.

**3.** Consider Nomination of Al Leibof to Serve on the Board of Directors: It was moved by Bob Westbrook, seconded by Scott Noble, that Al Leibof be elected to serve on the District's Board of Directors. Motion adopted 4-0. Al will be sworn in at a subsequent meeting at which time he will become an official director of the District.

**4. Minutes of the Meeting of January 22, 2013:** It was moved by Scott Noble, seconded by Bob Westbrook, that the minutes be approved. Motion adopted 4-0. The secretary was requested to sign minutes in the future.

**5. Financial Report and List of Payments to be Approved:** Roberts reported that there is nothing out of the ordinary in this month's report. He did note that the \$41,729.05 payment to Roto Rooter was largely for cleaning the system, which is about finished. The district is under mandate by the EPA and State Water Quality Control Board to clean the entire system every three years, and director Noble asked if there were "hot spots" that should be cleaned each year. Roberts noted that there are such spots and that Roto Rooter is concentrating on them.

Action taken: M/S Noble/Westbrook that the financial report be accepted and the list of payments be approved; adopted 4-0.

**6. Manager's Report:** Roberts reported that we can expect another annexation of homes on Panoramic Drive up from Four Corners. Specifics will be presented to the board at its meeting in March. He also reported that Roto Rooter and Nute Engineering have been asked to propose Capital Improvement Projects.

Director Noble asked Roberts to inform the Board of any future spills via email, which he will do.

Roberts also reported that the Marin Grand Jury insists that all persons serving the public take the AB1234 Local Ethics Training every two years. The training is presented online at *localethics.fppc.ca.gov* and takes about two hours to complete.

**7. Reports of Outside Meetings:** *SASM*—Asbo reported that the new manager seems to be sharp and easy to work with. The north holding pond has been repaired. SASM is starting to spend the \$4 million it has in the bank from the bond issue. The belt press has been replaced. They plan a Board retreat in April.

LAFCO—No meeting. Asbo noted that consolidation ballots will be mailed in April.

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**8.** Unfinished Business: *a)* Discuss Consolidation—Asbo reported that the election will be held May 6, by mail ballot. He shared ballot statements with the Board. There are four separate rebuttals, one from each district. He attended the recent meeting of the HVCA Board to discuss the proposed consolidation of the four southern Marin sanitary districts, and will present the pros and cons of the proposal in the April Homestead Headlines. If the voters of any one of the districts vote no, the proposal is defeated.

*b)* Discuss Progress of Smoke Testing/Lateral Rehabilitation Program—Roberts reported that funds for the SASM program of grants and loans will run out next year. The SASM Board is trying to renew the program.

**9. New Business:** The Board entered into a closed session to discuss pending litigation. After discussion, M/S Tregoning/Westbrook to reject the claim made by Yancy and Siegell. The motion was approved 3-1.

**10. Directors' Open Time:** Directors completed and submitted their 2012 California Form 700 Statements of Economic Interests.

11. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Burnett Tregoning, Secretary

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE COMMUNITY CENTER, 315 MONTFORD AVE., 7:30 P.M., TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2013