## HOMESTEAD VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 28, 2014 at the SASM Wastewater Treatment Plant, 450 Sycamore Ave., Mill Valley

- **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 Al Leibof, Scott Noble and Bob Westbrook. Also present: Manager Tom Roberts and Bonner Beuhler, Manager of the Almonte Sanitary District, who will succeed Roberts as Manager of the Homestead Valley Sanitary District effective March 1, 2014.
- 2. Visitors to the Meeting and Open Time for Public Expression: No visitors.
- **3. Minutes of the Meeting of December 17, 2013:** It was moved by Al Leibof, seconded by Burnett Tregoning, that the minutes be approved. Motion adopted 5-0. Einar noted that he is posting the board minutes and budget on the District website.
- **4. Financial Report and List of Payments to be Approved:** It was M/S Leibof/Westbrook that the financial report be accepted and the list of payments be approved. Motion adopted 5-0.
- **5. Manager's Report:** Tom Roberts reported that a spill occurred at 420 LaVerne last Saturday morning. Roto Rooter was on the scene promptly. The 40-gallon spill was the result of root stoppage. A report has been filed.

Roberts also reported that Nute Engineering had received a proposal from Michael Paul Co. for the realignment work at the Montford/LaVerne intersection. The quote was for \$14,774, close to Nute's estimate of \$15,000 and a reasonable price for the work. Tom directed Nute to proceed with Michael Paul's proposal.

## 6. Reports of Outside Meetings:

- **a. LAFCO**—Einar Asbo attended the organization's Annual Retreat during which he reviewed the organization's consolidation effort as it concerned the Southern Marin sanitary districts. He reported that the LAFCO board seemed little interested in what he had to say, but at least he was able to say his piece. He noted that the LAFCO plate is full, but we should be prepared for another push toward consolidation in 2015/2016. Einar also reported that Almonte Sanitary District wishes to continue discussion with HVSD regarding possible ways to consolidate our operations. Discussions will continue.
- **b.** *SASM*—Einar Asbo reported that a proposed Lateral Ordinance—copies of which have been distributed to HVSD board members prior to this meeting—was presented at their January meeting.

Asbo expressed concern regarding several parts of the ordinance. Among other things, it was suggested that possible financial support for correction of lateral problems need not be a part of the ordinance—it should deal with rules only. Suggested changes to the latest working draft as prepared by County Counsel Jack Govi will be reviewed at the next SASM District Managers meeting. Incorporating feedback from the other districts, the managers will then come up with a final draft for submittal to the SASM Board at their meeting of February 20, 2014.



- c. SASM District Managers—See discussion above.
- **7. Unfinished Business:** Director Noble had questions regarding the audit of the District's financial statement for the period ending June 30, 2013. It was agreed to postpone discussion until the next meeting.

## 8. New Business:

- a) Directors submitted their Form 700 for 2013.
- b) *Grand Jury Survey*—During a brief discussion of the survey completed recently by Manager Roberts, Director Noble wondered if the sewer spills noted in Item 13 were totally accurate. Manager Roberts noted that he might have to readjust some of the numbers after reviewing the material.
- **9. Director's Open Time:** Director Westbrook announced that he is moving outside of the boundary of the district and will have to resign his position on the Board of Directors.
- **10. Adjournment:** M/S Westbrook/Leibof that the meeting be adjourned at 8:31 p.m. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Burnett Tregoning, Secretary

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE SASM WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, 450 SYCAMORE AVENUE, MILL VALLEY 7:30 P.M., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2014