

HOMESTEAD VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 25, 2014 at the Homestead Valley Community Center, 315 Montford Avenue, Mill Valley

- 1. Call to Order: President Einar Asbo called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. Other Board members present were Secretary Burnett Tregoning and Directors Al Leibof and Scott Noble. Also present: Manager Bonner Beuhler.
- 2. Visitors to the Meeting and Open Time for Public Expression: Visitors included Jim Cronin and Garrett Ippolito, Homestead residents applying to fill the board vacancy created by the resignation of Robert Westbrook, and Helen Marsh and Idgi D'Andrea, members of the Marin County Grand Jury.
- 3. Minutes of the Meeting of February 25, 2014: It was moved by Scott Noble, seconded by Al Leibof, that the minutes be approved. Motion adopted 4-0.
- 4. Financial Report and List of Payments to be Approved: It was M/S Leibof/Noble that the financial report be accepted and the list of payments be approved. Motion adopted 4-0. A brief discussion of the new design of the financial report ensued. It now parallels that of the Almonte Sanitary District and offers a six-month comparison.

5. Manager's Report:

- a) Annual EPA Report. Bonner Beuhler reported that he is working on the annual EPA Report. He distributed maps of the system prepared by Nute Engineering, which indicated that one-third of the clay pipes have been replaced to date. He will have a copy of his report at the next meeting.
- b) CIWQS SSO Reporting. Bonner reported that this reporting is up to date with the regulatory agencies. He indicated that around 20,000 feet of sewer lines will be cleaned by Roto Rooter this year.
- c) Supplemental Billing for work performed by Bonner Beuhler prior to March 2014. It was M/S Noble/Leibof that Bonner Beuhler be paid an additional one month's salary for work done before he officially became manager of the district on March 1, 2014. Approved 4-0. Director Leibof reported that Pacific Trenchless has returned to Homestead and has completed the work still pending in his neighborhood. Scott Noble asked if a revised SSO report had gone to the Grand Jury. Former manager Tom Roberts had indicated earlier that such a report would go to the jury.

6. Reports of Outside Meetings:

a. SASM—Einar Asbo reported that no new action has come from the consultants who have been hired to assist with the long-range plan for the plant. Their report has not yet been submitted. Einar noted that the capacity of the plant is well within design parameters, but that 30 years of operation has taken its toll. The plant is in bad condition, Asbo said, and will be expensive to upgrade. His guess is somewhere in the 20/25 million dollar range. Einar also reported that the proposed Lateral Ordinance was discussed, with language being simplified. The newest draft, which contains triggers for when lateral inspection is required, will go to the Marin Board of Realtors to see what they say about it. Bonner noted that the Sausalito ordinance has "teeth" in it, and he will get a copy of it. He said that the HVSD ordinance, which has been in effect since the 1970s, also has "teeth" but no

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triggers. President Asbo stressed that now is the time for input. He noted that SASM has no laterals, so whatever is adopted will be a template for the districts' use and it is important that we do have input.

7. Unfinished Business: None.

8. New Business:

- a) Board Vacancy: As noted earlier, Jim Cronin, retired engineer residing at 252 Evergreen Ave., and Garrett Ippolito, resident at 112 Reed St., responded to President Asbo's request for candidates to replace the resigned Bob Westbrook. After discussion, it was agreed that both were fine candidates, but that Mr. Cronin's experience as an engineer and chemist, and the fact that he replaced sewer lines at his employer's plants could be valuable to the district. It was M/S Tregoning/Leibof that Jim Cronin be appointed to serve the term vacated by Bob Westbrook, which expires in 2015. Motion approved 4-0.
- b) Homestead Lateral Ordinance and SASM Draft Ordinance. See discussion in Item 6.
- c) Future CIP Projects: President Asbo noted that projects for this year should include creek crossings in Evergreen Lane. The system still has 43,000 feet of clay pipe that needs to be replaced. Bonner will work with Nute Engineering to formulate a plan. It was reported that the work at the Tamalpais/Montford/Laverne intersection has been completed.
- 9. Director's Open Time: Asbo noted that the board will likely have to consider a rate increase in order to do the work we will want to do.
- 10. Adjournment: M/S Noble/Leibof that the meeting be adjourned at 8:38 p.m. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Burnett Tregoning, Secretary

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THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD
IN THE DOWNSTAIRS MEETING ROOM
OF THE HOMESTEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER,
315 MONTFORD AVENUE, MILL VALLEY
7:30 P.M., TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2014