HOMESTEAD VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 23, 2017 at the Homestead Valley Community Center, 315 Montford Avenue, Mill Valley

- **1. Call to Order:** President Al Leibof called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Other Board members present were Secretary Burnett Tregoning, Chuck Oldenburg and Scott Noble. Also present: District Manager Bonner Beuhler. Absent: Dixon Long.
- 2. Visitors to the Meeting and Open Time for Public Expression: There were no visitors to today's meeting.
- **3. Minutes of the Meeting of April 25, 2017:** It was M/S Oldenburg/Noble that the minutes of the April 25, 2017 meeting be approved. Motion adopted 4-0.
- **4. Financial Report and List of Payments to be Approved:** It was M/S Tregoning/Oldenburg that the warrant list for May 2017 be approved. Motion adopted 4-0.

5. Manager's Report:

- a) Managers' Meeting: The managers discussed the merits of SASM remaining with Marin Map. Bonner indicated that HVSD would most likely be interested in remaining at the current rate of \$750-\$1,000 and may utilize the online storage/backup features, getting rid of our Box.net account. SASM would invoice each agency for its share of the Marin Map service, just as it does for the CSRMA insurance. Bonner also reported that Vivian Housen was present to discuss I&I/Salinity and her I&I memo regarding next steps. Consensus was to place the program on hold for the present.
 - b) CIWQS SSO Reporting: Bonner reported no spills since our last meeting.
- c) Certificates of Compliance: Certificates of Compliance were issued to 40, 38, and 32 Loring Ave., 14 and 16 Madrone Park Circle and 596 Ethel Ave. A Notice of Non-Compliance was issued to 200 Chapman Rd.

6. Reports of Outside Meetings:

a) SASM—Al Leibof reported that the SASM Board discussed and passed the budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Major increases are related to debt payment on the \$38M bond. Also discussed was the current Grand Jury Report on Affordable Housing, which suggested that sewer rates be lowered for low income homeowners. It was decided that all of the member agencies should have a similar response (see Item 7, paragraph b). Marin Maps was also discussed, as was the success of the lateral replacement program. Regarding the latter subject, SASM Manager Mark Grushayev explained that the outstanding requirement is to spend the rest of the \$600,000 (only about \$30,000) before the May 5, 2018 deadline.

7. Unfinished Business:

- a) 2016-2017 CIP: Bonner reported that Pacific Trenchless still was in the process of completing a job in Berkeley, but should be available soon to handle the emergency work on Laverne Ave. Then they have a job to complete in Tiburon after which they will come to Homestead Valley to begin work on our CIP.
- b) Grand Jury Report: Overcoming Barriers to Housing Affordability: Bonner, after consulting with County Counsel Jack Govi, has prepared a letter responding to the Grand Jury's

request that we consider lowering rates on low income homeowners. Bonner's letter states that HVSD declines to do so on the basis that charging reduced fees may be in conflict with Proposition 218, which requires that rates be set proportionate to benefit received. It was M/S Noble/Oldenburg to send the letter to the Grand Jury. Motion adopted 4-0.

8. New Business:

- a) Resolution No. 2017-02: A resolution of the Board of Directors of the Homestead Valley Sanitary District establishing the rate of the annual sewer service charge levied on improved properties in the District. It was M/S Oldenburg/Noble that the resolution be adopted, setting rates at \$975/EDU per our rate ordinance. Motion adopted 4-0.
- **b) Draft Budget:** Directors asked for clarification of several items. Vote to take place next month.
- **c) Marin Map membership:** After discussion, it was M/S Noble/Tregoning that HVSD stay in Marin Map for at least one year. Motion adopted 4-0.
- **9. Director's Open Time:** No comments by the board this month.
- **10. Adjournment:** There being no further business, President Leibof adjourned the meeting at 8:17 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, JULY 25, 2017