

HOMESTEAD VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 24, 2018
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, Dixon Long and Scott Noble. Also present: District Manager Bonner Beuhler.

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 March 27, 2017: It was M/S Oldenburg/Noble that the minutes of the March 27, 2017 meeting be approved. Motion adopted 5-0.

4. Financial Report and List of Payments to be Approved: It was M/S Noble/Dixon that the warrant list for April 2018 be approved. Motion adopted 5-0.

5. Manager's Report:

a) Managers' Meeting: Cancelled.

b) CIWQS SSO Reporting: Bonner reported one spill since the last meeting, on April 18 from RH 421.01 located in an easement opposite 309 N. Ferndale Ave. The spill was approximately 50 gallons and was reported at 3:15 p.m. Roto-Rooter responded at 4:15 p.m. and the spill was cleared at 4:30 p.m.

c) Certificate of Compliance: A Certificate of Compliance was issued to 325 Edgewood Ave. Bonner explained that five houses were connected to this lateral, but he had it televised and it looks to be in good shape.

d) Sewer Support Trestle Behind 345 Montford Ave.: Bonner continues to work on this problem, which has a new wrinkle. The heavy rainfall early this month created a slide just below the eastern support of the trestle. Bonner has met with the neighbors and discussed the slide with Pippin at Nute Engineering, in addition to meeting with a soils engineer at the site. He expects to receive a proposal for how to protect the trestle support footing and contain the bank erosion. He said the problem needs to be resolved and fixed by early this fall.

e) 2018 CIP Program: Bonner reported that PG&E's work was to be finished by the end of April. He will be contacting Pacific Trenchless with the hope that they can begin their work by mid-May.

6. Reports of Outside Meetings:

a) Sewerage Agency of Southern Marin (SASM)— Al Leibof reported that discussions at SASM's annual planning session held earlier this month ranged from the work that has now started to upgrade the plant to the future effect of sea level rise and the possibility of "going green" and using solar power. Also discussed was a recent spill at the force main, which may result in major expense to repair, including the possibility of shutting down pump stations.

7. Unfinished Business: None.

8. New Business:

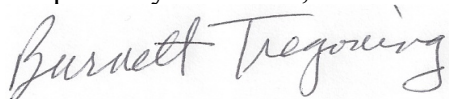
a) Mill Valley Refuse Service—Request for Rate Increase: MVRS has requested a rate increase of 14.26% in our district. Rising operating costs, including fuel, employee wages, higher rates for trash and compost dumping, account for 6.26% of the increase. The remainder of the proposed increase has to do with the problem of disposal of recyclable material, according to MVRS. Bonner noted that typically a consulting firm (R3 Consulting) is hired to verify that the rationale for the rate increase is justified.

b) Grand Jury Report—Consolidation of Sanitary Districts: The Marin County Grand Jury released its most recent report to the public on April 20. It is titled “Consolidation of Sanitation Districts.” The Grand Jury recommends that districts served by SASM—Almonte Sanitary District, Alto Sanitary District, Homestead Valley Sanitary District, the Public Works Dept. of the City of Mill Valley, and Tamalpais Community Services District “should reorganize into a single sanitary/sanitation district.” The board briefly discussed the “pros and cons” of consolidation, deciding to wait until next month to prepare a response to the Grand Jury.

9. Director’s Open Time: No further comments at this time.

10. Adjournment: There being no further business, President Leibof adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Burnett Tregoning, Secretary

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, MAY 22, 2018**