

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SANTA LUCIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
September 5, 2023

The special meeting of the Board of Directors of the SANTA LUCIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT was held at the New Corporation Yard at the Santa Lucia Preserve, 121 Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel, California, at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2023.

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m. by President Mark BOITANO.

Roll Call. The following Directors were present: Mark BOITANO, Barbara SANTRY, Cary WHITFIELD, Melissa THORME, and Scot SMYTHE (via Zoom joining at 9:15 A.M.). Also present were Robert LATTA, Advisor; Robert Wellington, District Counsel (via ZOOM); Forrest ARTHUR, District General Manager; and Aimee DAHLE, District Executive Assistant (via ZOOM, leaving at 10:20 A.M.).

Public Comment. None.

Approval of Minutes. After reviewing the minutes for the Regular Meeting of July 25, 2023, Director SANTRY discussed substantive changes in verbiage in regard to the allocation study discussion. Upon further discussion, it was agreed that the minutes required further editing and approving the minutes would be tabled until the next meeting.

General Manager's Report. Mr. ARTHUR informed the Board that the preliminary results from the election have been received, with an 84% vote in favor of Measure T. It was noted that today, September 5, 2023 was the last day ballots could be received by mail. Mr. ARTHUR also informed the Board that he has been in contact with the fire chief, Chief David SARGENTI, and that due to current staffing issues, the fire district will be prepared to start the new program at the beginning of 2024. Mr. ARTHUR also stated that the first installment of the new tax will be collected through the member accounts and pro-rated for the 2023-2024 tax year. Following years taxes would be collected by Monterey County on the annual property tax roll. Following a question regarding the living quarters, Ms. DAHLE informed the Board the tiny home donation was currently under permit review with the County. Ms. DAHLE stated that the house is expected to be delivered to the District in the coming weeks.

Next Mr. ARTHUR informed the Board that the Pavement Study is in draft form and data in the report needed to be vetted before staff was comfortable providing results to the Board. Mr. ARTHUR also stated that he will be reviewing the District's current five-year plan and the impact of the report's findings. After full review, staff will report back to the Board with recommendations on how to proceed.

Board Actions. Mr. ARTHUR presented Resolution 23-10, a Resolution to acknowledge no responsive bids regarding the purchase of a Property Operations Vehicle, thus allowing the General Manager to go to the open market for purchase. Being there were no questions regarding the bid, a motion was made by Director SANTRY and seconded by Director THORME to approve Resolution 23-10. A roll call and vote were held, and the Resolution was adopted unanimously.

Conservancy Update. Director SMYTHE updated the Board that the Conservancy meeting of the Board was upcoming. He also stated that several openland inspections had occurred involving Conservancy staff and Preserve homeowners and thus far, reviews were positive.

Closed Session. Being that no further items were brought before the Board, Director BOITANO declared closed session at 10:20 A.M. in order to hold conference with legal counsel regarding potential litigation with significant exposure pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 - one case.

Citizen's Advisory Committee Comments. None.

There being no further business, a motion and second (THORME/SMYTHE) was made and the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 A.M.