

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
GROVELAND, CALIFORNIA
August 10, 2009
9:00 a.m.**

The Board of Directors of Groveland Community Services District met in regular session on the above mentioned date with Directors Wes Johnson, President, John Graham, Vice President, Gus Allegri, and Steve Perreira being present. Also present were General Manager Jim Goodrich, District Engineer Randy Klaahsen, Engineering Intern Joe Izzo, Groveland Fire Chief Shane Warner, District Treasurer Vicki West and Board Secretary Lena Spilman.
Absent: Director Lennen

District Counsel Dave McMurchie joined the meeting by teleconference

Director Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda Approval

Director Allegri moved, seconded by Director Graham, and the motion passed unanimously to approve the agenda as written.

Ayes: Directors Johnson, Allegri, and Graham Absent: Directors Lennen and Perreira

Public Comment

A member of the public spoke regarding a recent letter in the Modesto Bee regarding the District's response to public records requests.

Director Perreira entered at 9:03am

A member of the public inquired as to the lack of response to a letter previously submitted to District staff. General Manager Mr. Goodrich apologized for the delayed response, and stated that after discussion with the District Engineer a response would be mailed out by the end of the week.

A member of the public discussed a recent post to the Pine Mountain Lake Voice regarding the District's finances.

Public Hearing

CEQA Documentation for the Proposed Dog Park Project

Director Johnson opened the public hearing at 9:21am.

A member of the public inquired as to how much the CEQA process has cost the District. General Manager Jim Goodrich responded that the process has been completed by staff, taking approximately 1 day of the General Manager's time. No other comments were received.

Director Johnson closed the public hearing at 9:22am.

Placement of Unpaid Charges and Delinquencies for FY 2008-09 Collection on the Tuolumne County Property Tax Roll

Director Johnson opened the public hearing at 9:22am. No comments were received. Director Johnson closed the public hearing at 9:23am.

Action Items

Consent Calendar

Director Allegri moved, seconded by Director Graham, and the motion passed unanimously to approve the consent calendar:

- A. Approve Minutes of the June 8, 2009 Regular Board Meeting
- B. Approve Minutes of the June 22, 2009 Regular Board Meeting
- C. Approve Minutes of the July 13, 2009 Regular Board Meeting
- D. Waive Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions except by Title

Ayes: Directors Johnson, Graham, Allegri, and Perreira

Absent: Director Lennen

Recognize Volunteer Fire Fighter Sarah Pennington for her Work on the Groveland Fire Department Memorial Day BBQ Fundraiser

Groveland Fire Chief Shane Warner presented this item to the Board. Chief Warner explained that Volunteer Fire Fighter Sarah Pennington was being recognized for her outstanding work in coordinating the second annual Memorial Day Barbeque Fundraiser for the Groveland Fire Department. This fundraiser was designed to help the Department raise money towards the purchase of a thermal imaging camera. Sarah organized the event, supervised ticket sales, and assigned responsibilities within the Department.

Chief Warner explained that not only did Sarah far exceed the expectations of a volunteer in coordinating this event, but she was instrumental in securing donations from local businesses. Due to the tremendous time and effort put into this event, the Groveland Fire Department was able to raise more than \$10,000.

Director Johnson thanked Ms. Pennington for her hard work, and commended her for her self-starting work ethic. He stated that Ms. Pennington's effort reflected greatly on herself and on her Department.

Consider Authorizing the General Manager to Execute the Concessionaire Agreement with Ken Lawrence for a Hot Dog Vending Stand in Mary Laveroni Community Park for the Remainder of Calendar Year 2009 and all of Calendar Year 2010.

General Manager Jim Goodrich presented this item to the Board. Mr. Goodrich explained that Mr. Lawrence's previous agreement to sell hot dogs from a self-contained, portable food vendor cart in Mary Laveroni Community Park on a seasonal basis expired on December 31, 2007. Mr. Goodrich stated that while operating his hot dog stand in the park, Mr. Lawrence conducted his business in a professional manner and performed on all aspects of his agreement with the District.

On 8/5/09 the District received a letter from Mr. Lawrence expressing his desire to operate his hot dog stand in the park. After receiving this request, Mr. Goodrich explained that he drafted a contract based on the previous Concessionaire Agreement between the District and Mr. Lawrence. The only important difference being that Mr. Lawrence has agreed to pay seven and a half percent (7.5%) of gross sales to the District. The contract would be renewed for the remainder of 2009 calendar year, and all of 2010 calendar year.

Mr. Lawrence addressed the Board, expressing his desire to operate his stand in the park and his agreement to the terms of the contract presented.

Director Allegri expressed some concern over the impact of the hot dog stand operation to local businesses.

The proprietor of Dori's Tea Cottage on Main St. spoke in support of the hot dog stand in the park, stating that its operation would not affect business for local restaurants. He offered that many of the people stopping for a hot dog are locals desiring a quick bite to eat or are tourists pausing only momentarily on their way into the park, neither of which are groups that would otherwise be likely to patronize a local sit down restaurant.

Director Graham moved, seconded by Director Allegri, and the motion passed unanimously to authorize the General Manager to execute the concessionaire agreement with Ken Lawrence for a hot dog vending stand in Mary Laveroni Community Park for the remainder of Calendar Year 2009 and all of Calendar Year 2010

Ayes: Directors Johnson, Graham, Allegri, and Perreira

Absent: Director Lennen

Review and Consider Approval of the Negative Declaration and Initial Study for Dog Park Project, Consider Adopting the Notice of Determination of Negative Declaration for Dog Park Project, and Consider Approving Dog Park Project Adjacent to Leon Rose Ball Field

General Manager Jim Goodrich presented this item to the Board. Mr. Goodrich explained that staff had completed the Notice of Intention to Adopt the Negative Declaration, the Negative Declaration, and the Initial Study. The documents were posted at the County Clerk's office on June 22nd for the 30-day review period, as required by law. After receiving no challenges during this period, and after conducting the public hearing on the proposed Negative Declaration, the Board has the option to review and adopt the Negative Declaration and the Initial Study, and to approve a Notice of Determination of Adoption of the Negative Declaration.

If adopted, the Notice of Determination must be filed with the County Clerk within five (5) working days after Board approval of the project and the Negative Declaration. The County Clerk will then post the Negative Declaration for thirty (30) days.

Mr. Goodrich explained that after Board approval of the Negative Declaration and adoption of the Notice of Determination of the Negative Declaration, the Board may finally approve the Dog Park Project.

Director Allegri moved, seconded by Director Graham, and the motion passed unanimously to approve the Negative Declaration and Initial Study for Dog Park Project, to adopt the Notice of Determination of Negative Declaration for Dog Park Project, and to approve the Dog Park Project adjacent to Leon Rose Ball Field

Ayes: Directors Johnson, Graham, Allegri, and Perreira

Absent: Director Lennen

(Director Johnson announced a short recess at 9:56am. The meeting reconvened at 10:02am)

Consider Adoption of Resolution 7-09 Approving the Report of Unpaid Charges and Delinquencies for FY 2008-09 and Authorizing Staff to File the Report and Resolution with the Tuolumne County Auditor on or before August 10, 2009 to Collect the Delinquent Charges

District Engineer Randy Klaahsen presented this item to the Board. Mr. Klaahsen explained that the UWMP was prepared by staff during the Spring of 2009, and is intended to provide a mechanism for the District to take measures to conserve water throughout the District. Input has already been received from both Board members and various departments of Tuolumne County and Pine Mountain Lake Association, and the plan is now ready for public review. Mr. Klaahsen added that since the Demand Management Measures included in the Plan will have a financial impact on the District, staff would like the Board's concurrence before releasing the Plan for public review.

Mr. Klaahsen recommended that the public be allowed one month to review the document, at which time the document can be brought back to the Board for adoption. With Board approval, Mr. Klaahsen explained that a public hearing date could be set for September 14, 2009.

Director Perreira asked several questions regarding incentives for low flush toilets.

Director Graham moved, seconded by Director Allegri, and the motion passed unanimously to release the Draft Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) for public review and set the public hearing date for September 14, 2009

Ayes: Directors Johnson, Graham, Allegri, and Perreira

Absent: Director Lennen

Receive and File the Sewer System Capacity Assurance Plan, and Informational Water System Analysis

District Engineer Randy Klaahsen gave a brief overview of the item and Engineering Intern Joe Izzo presented the item to the Board. Mr. Izzo gave a power point presentation, explaining the Plan's methodology and the potential uses of the system. He explained that the Sewer System Capacity Model is a complete analysis of the District's sewer system, allowing the District to easily and quickly calculate the system's reaction to various unexpected loads. The system will also be particularly helpful in determining the impacts of new development on the District's sewer infrastructure.

Director Johnson moved, seconded by Director Graham, and the motion passed unanimously to receive and file the Sewer System Capacity Assurance Plan, and informational Water System Analysis.

Ayes: Directors Johnson, Graham, Allegri, and Perreira

Absent: Director Lennen

Consider Adoption of Resolution 8-09 for the Election of Directors to the Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA) Board of Directors

General Manager Jim Goodrich presented this item to the Board.

Director Perreira motioned to participate in the election of Directors to the SDRMA Board of Directors. The motion died for lack of a second.

Election of Directors to the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Board of Directors

General Manager Jim Goodrich presented this item to the Board. The Board briefly discussed the candidate's statements.

Director Perreira motioned, seconded by Director Allegri and the motion passed unanimously to participate in the CSDA election by electing candidate Noelle Mattock to the CSDA Board of Directors.

Ayes: Directors Johnson, Graham, Allegri, and Perreira

Absent: Director Lennen

Information Items

Staff Reports

A. General Manager's Comments

General Manager Jim Goodrich reported that the District received donation of a park bench that will be placed next to the Bettike Memorial at Mary Laveroni Community Park. Mr. Goodrich commented that with any luck, the bench will arrive in time for the Annual 49'er Festival.

Mr. Goodrich announced that thanks to community donations and those received from the Yosemite Chamber of Commerce, the District was able to purchase and install new roll-up doors for the concession stand in the lower park. The previous doors were very heavy and required great effort to maneuver. Movies in the Park staff has reported the new doors to be a great improvement to the facilities. Mr. Goodrich expressed his appreciation to the community and also to the Chamber of Commerce for making the project possible.

B. Engineer's Report

District Engineer Randy Klaahsen referred the Board to his staff report and noted that he would be happy to answer any questions they might have.

C. Fire Department Report

Groveland Fire Chief Shane Warner reported that the new fire engine had been involved in an accident en route from Wisconsin to California. This accident caused damage to the body, and required that the engine be returned to Pierce Manufacturing in Appleton, Wisconsin, for repair. Mr. Warner explained that he hoped to be able to feature the engine in the 49er Festival Parade. He also shared that the Department is considering holding an ice cream social at the fire house to allow the public to view the new vehicle.

D. District Counsel's Comments

District Counsel Dave McMurchie reported that California had passed the State's budget, which included a suspension of Proposition 1A. Mr. McMurchie informed the District that they can expect an 8% decrease in property tax revenue for the coming year due to this suspension.

General Manager Jim Goodrich responded that, in anticipation of this problem, the District budgeted for an 8% decrease in revenue for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

Adjournment

Director Graham moved, seconded by Director Johnson, and the motion passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Ayes: Directors Johnson, Graham, Allegri, and Perreira

Absent: Director Lennen

APPROVED:

Wes Johnson, President

ATTEST:

Lena Spilman, Board Secretary