



**BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
ESPARTO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
ESPARTO, CA**

REGULAR ^{MS}
~~SPECIAL MEETING~~
November 10, 2015
MINUTES

(1) CALL TO ORDER

Chair Colleen Fescenmeyer called the meeting to order at 7:28 pm.

(2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All residents and members in attendance recited the pledge

(3) ROLL CALL

Present:

- Directors: Charles Schaupp, Colleen Fescenmeyer, Steve Knightley, Anna Girk, Don England
- District Counsel: Tom Barth
- General Manager: Mel Smith
- Board Clerk: Mel Smith

Public: Public not present

(4) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Colleen Fescenmeyer called for a motion to approve the agenda.

Motion by: Director Steve Knightley to approve the agenda as presented

Second by: Director Anna Girk

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 **Motion:** Passed

(5) PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Colleen Fescenmeyer opened public comment – no public present

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CORRESPONDENCE

Chair Colleen Fescenmeyer called for correspondence

- a) Chair Colleen Fescenmeyer reference an email she received announcing an Art Show Dedication and Celebration at the Esperanza Train Station, on Thursday, December 10, 2015, 10:30 am. A reception to follow at the Adams Building in the LVL room.

(7) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Colleen Fescenmeyer called for a motion to approve the minutes of 10-14-15

Motion by: Director Anna Girk to approve the minutes of 10-14-15 as presented

Second by: Director Don England

Discussion: None

Vote: Ayes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 1 (Knightley) **Motion:** Passed

(8) CLAIMS: FUND 466

Chair Colleen Fescenmeyer called for a motion to approve the claims for 10-12, 10-19 and 11-2-15

Motion by: Director Anna Girk to approve the claims for 10-12, 10-19 and 11-2-15

Second by: Director Steve Knightley

Discussion: Question on Acct. 2640, water/sewer lights, was this do to pumping during the summer.

General Manager provided an explanation. Some discussion followed. He went on to indicate some claims did not have a number do to the new accounting program the county has recently installed. Some concerns were noted regarding vendor payments. Discussion followed.

Vote: Ayes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 **Motion:** Passed

(9) BUDGET UPDATE 9-30-15

General Manager directed the board to page 7, Budget Analysis, looking good for end of the first quarter of the fiscal year. Indications show a good surplus, surplus comes from several different categories. He went on to provide a breakdown of the categories producing the surplus.

General Manager indicated he is not moving forward regarding the engineering with The State Revolving Fund, they responded with a list of requirements, no grant money For the Well 3 project, but were willing to give us a 2 ¾% loan. It would be un-wise to spend anymore engineering money on this project at this time.

He indicated the water revenue was up and the legal fees are slightly lower.

Discussion followed.

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7:45 pm – Chair Colleen Fescenmeyer indicate the board would now enter closed session.

(12) Closed Session

- a) Conference with legal counsel: Existing Litigation: Emerald Homes, authorized by Gov. Code Section 54986.9(b) (1 case)
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8:10 pm – Chair Colleen Fescenmeyer called the meeting back to order.

(13) REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

Direction given to the General Manager and Legal Counsel.

General Manager: asked to have the board take their Oath of Office at this time and to verbally recite the oath together, sign the form and return it to him.
All board members recited the Oath of Office.

(14) MANAGERS REPORT

- a) Lamp Valley Slough cleanup – clean-up is well under way. The MERCSA meeting has put together a fantastic inter department co-operation with county agencies becoming involved to completely clean out the slough and ditch.
- b) MERCSA meetings – the representative from the CAO's office and LAFCO representative indicated the complete dissolution of MERCSA would take at least a year. Board felt this was completely unacceptable.
- c) Christmas Dinner sign-ups – sign-up sheet is available for anyone who would like to bring a dish to share for the dinner. Christmas Party to be held on Dec. 9 after our regular meeting. That meeting will begin 30 minutes earlier, Christmas Dinner at 7:00 pm.
- d) GSA Workshop – General Manager indicated he had attended a workshop put on by the water board. Session he attended were for all water agencies, which included both mutual and public water agencies. If you take water out of the ground you are considered an extractor. All water extractions will be regulated in water basins that have been determined to be at medium or high risk of depletion. These water basins will be regulated, if not by local agencies then by the state. Starting in 2020 if the local agency has not put together a plan to regulate their water basin, the state will step in and regulate that water basin. Only public agencies can regulate, a public agency cannot regulate outside of their service area. The only agency that has a service area that covers the entire footprint is the county. District Counsel provided some insight into what is taking place regarding this issue.
Discussion followed.

(15) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Well 5 (b) on website
- b) Calendar Update
- c) Groundwater Sustainability Agency GSA
- d) Easement along Rise
- e) Fix Parking lot
- f) Re-visit Liability amounts
- g) Almond Festival

(16) ADJOURNMENT

Chair Colleen Fescenmeyer called for a motion to adjourn the meeting

Motion by: Director Charles Schaupp to adjourn the meeting

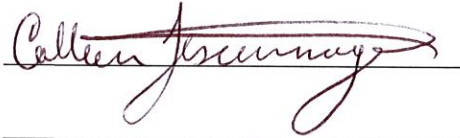
Second by: Director Anna Girk

Vote: Ayes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 **Motion:** Passed

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

Colleen Fescenmeyer – Chair of the Board

Mel Smith - Board Clerk





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