

MINUTES

The special meeting of the Pajaro/Sunny Mesa Community Services District Board of Directors was called to order at 5:30 pm on April 5, 2023.

ROLL CALL:

President Donald Olsen
Vice President Sanford Coplin
Secretary Paul Anderson
Treasurer Donald Chesterman joined at 5:33 pm

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

General Manager Donald Rosa
Bookkeeper Amy Saldate
Recorder Judy Vazquez-Varela

ABSENT DIRECTOR(S) & STAFF:

Assistant Secretary Clinton Miller

DISTRICT COUNSEL:

Attorney Alan Smith

ADDITION(S) TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: Device name Shin logged in at 6:01 pm

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Director Olsen reported he and Director Coplin met with Supervisor Lopez regarding his concern for equality for his District and will voice those concerns, but he seems to be in support of providing funding for Pajaro Park. Both Directors also met with Supervisor Alejo who is in favor of providing funding for Pajaro Park. Director Olsen met with Vanessa Acevedo, public analyst for Monterey County Supervisor Church, she will forward information regarding a project she did in college regarding crime rate drop in 2014 which is the year the Pajaro Park opened. Supervisor Alejo will also look into applying for funding to install bleachers at Pajaro Park and benches at Cayetano Park. They also had a call with Supervisor Adams, and she will consult with Supervisor Church to discuss the needs of the Pajaro Park. They have not yet met with Supervisor Root Askew. Pajaro Park has received a lot of attention from the media due to the numerous services being offered at the park.

Action Items

1. Consider and approve Resolution No. 04-02-23 finding the adoption of the 2023 Pajaro/Sunny Mesa Community Services District Local Hazardous Mitigation Plan is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act

No discussion.

Motion was made by Director Anderson and seconded by Director Coplin to approve the Resolution No. 04-02-23 finding the adoption of the 2023 Pajaro/Sunny Mesa Community Services District Local Hazardous Mitigation Plan is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: D. Olsen; S. Coplin; P. Anderson; D. Chesterman
 Noes: None
 Absent: C. Miller
 Abstain: None

2. Consider and approve Resolution No. 04-01-23 approving of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

Attorney Smith explained that this project was authorized to conduct workshops, outreach and it is a planning document which exempts it from CEQA.

Motion was made by Director Chesterman and seconded by Director Coplin to approve the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: D. Olsen; S. Coplin; P. Anderson; D. Chesterman
 Noes: None
 Absent: C. Miller
 Abstain: None

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OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: (Action Items) None

MONTHLY EXPENDITURES REPORT FOR REVIEW

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS: None

STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS: (Informational Only)

1. Pajaro Flood 03-11-23

- Estimates for damage to equipment and property, Pajaro Water System had 3 feet of flood water did not encroach into the wells they have 4 feet pedestal as well as the tanks. Storage containers are full of mud. Sunny Mesa Water System 5 feet of flood water at the lowest part, the well head column was raised to 6 feet, removed all electrical components, nothing was salvageable or worth saving, demoed all equipment and rebuild, so will be on a temporary basis to get us back up and running.
- Sunny Mesa sustained about \$200,000 of damage to equipment and Pajaro sustained about \$230,000 of damage to electrical equipment, pump, and motor. Pajaro Park did not sustain any flood damage. Water was trucked to Sunny Mesa costing approximately \$100,000. The bottled water station labor was approximately \$9,000. The staff is working on saving tools, the loss of material and tools is about \$50,000. The cost for 4 days of hydrovac cleaning mud from meter boxes and valves was \$20,000. Total loss was approximately \$600,000. Staff met with FEMA, CalOES and Monterey County EOC and toured both Water System sites. JPIA's deductible flood insurance is \$100,000, the next step is to provide all invoices, labor, and trucked water costs.
- Operational Report- One of our meter readers quit, and an employee was injured and is out on workers' compensation. We are replacing the meter reader. The Pajaro Water System is up and running 100 percent operational. All water quality reports that have been received show normal quality, with nothing out of the ordinary.
- Sunny Mesa Water System has had water service under the "Do not Drink" order and has had bottled water available at Pajaro Valley Golf Club. Pajaro Water System did not have water service available from March 11th to the 24th, 2023. On March 24, 2023, Monterey County Public Works informed the District that the sewer issue had been repaired and were ready for the District to restore water service. On March 25, 2023, water service was restored to Pajaro Water System, bottled water available at Pajaro Park and Pajaro Middle School.
- The water results are looking good, no indication of contamination. When we lift the "Do not Drink" order we will go door to door.
- March billing for Pajaro Water System is currently on hold. The meters have been read but water has not been billed, all other systems have been billed. We have received calls from Sunny Mesa customers looking to get relief from their water bill since they were inconvenienced by having to go get bottled water. Pajaro Water System was completely out of water from March 11 through the 24, water was restored on March 25, 2023. There will be a lot of pushbacks from Pajaro area since they were displaced and no water available for about a half month. The Board can discuss the need for relief for the Pajaro and Sunny Mesa Water System customers in the next meeting. We will bring this item back next month as an action item.

CLOSED SESSION: None

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

The next Regular Board Meeting is to be held on Thursday April 27, 2023, at 5:30 pm at the District Office.

There being no further business, the Special Board Meeting of the Pajaro/Sunny Mesa Community Services District was adjourned at 6:19 pm with motion made by Director Anderson seconded by Director Coplin. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:



Donald Olsen, President

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Sanford Coplin, Vice President



Judith Vazquez-Varela, Recorder