

**Occidental Community Services District
Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2021**

Call to order at 7:02pm. Director Martin and Schmitt absent. Director Schmitt arrived while going over warrants, Director Martin arrived as we discussed Fire.

Public Comment: Bill Wadsworth asked if Director Gonnella had received the certified letter he had mailed. (yes). Bill Wadsworth continued, asking if the Board had read his information on water, and referenced water code 1052 unlawful diversion, and is like stealing water and can cause problems. He further said Code 1831 gives the state water board the authority to issue cease and desist orders and asked the board to please look at the information he provided as we are in a serious drought.

Approval of minutes for March 9, 2021 was made by **Gonnella/Brown, VOTE: 3-0-2 (absent)**

Warrants were approved by **Gonnella/Brown, VOTE: 4-0-1 (absent)** with the addition of an invoice for Opperman's and Sons.

FIRE

Chief Lunardi reported 25 calls for March and was feeling the number of calls was returning to normal. He also reported staffing the station was going well. Director Schmitt asked if Cal Fire was saying anything about the Governor's comments regarding mitigation money. Chief Lunardi feels we will see some trickle down funds. Director Schmitt emphasized the significant amount of money being about ½ billion and asked Chief Lunardi to keep her informed as he finds out anything.

Director Schmitt reported that PGE is investing in microgrids in high fire areas. She would like to approach PGE to get on the list and explore. She further stated that community services, the fire department and the health services properties are contiguous. Director Schmitt said she will gather information and it is her understanding that PGE would own everything.

The agreement with Sonoma County for collections of special taxes was moved and approved by Gonnella/Brown, VOTE: 5-0.

WATER

Water loss was under 7% for March. Greg of RRU reported the booster pump at Alliance was making a noise and may be going out.

President Lunardi asked if there were any comments about the joint agreement with Camp Meeker, however, it was decided that everyone could come back to the next meeting with comments.

Clerk was asked to remove Alliance from the agenda.

COMMUNITY

LAFCO election ballot.

Community Council had not fully or formally committed to a shared website and would be addressing it at their next meeting, so this will be addressed next month.

Diane Masura had reached out to Director Martin to do some research on the bathrooms, she had contacted the store owner in Valley Ford and learned he is paying \$304 a month for twice a week cleaning. They would continue to look further into it and Director Gonnella said he would make a call as well.

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Director Martin reported he is working on a town hall meeting with Supervisor Lynda Hopkins, and that meeting should be coming up soon. Discussion turned to the parking lot and Main Street, where they are actually located, and who holds title to the parking lot property, etc.

Meeting adjourned 8:04pm.

Ray Lunardi, President
May 11, 2021

Melissa Freeman, Clerk