Marin County Special Districts Association

An Organization to propose and advocate constructive means for the improvement and functioning of Special Districts within the County of Marin, State of California, and to assist such Special Districts and their governing bodies to provide a more effective and efficient government at the closest level to the citizens of Marin County that will result in benefit to the public.

NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

Tamalpais Community Services District / Hosted Zoom, Phone Call Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

President Heather Abrams called the meeting to order at 2:34 pm

1. ROLL CALL BY ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

Roll was taken and quorum was met. The following were in attendance:

Officers: Heather Abrams, President, General Manager, Tamalpais Community Services District
Bill Hansell, Vice President, District Manager, Alto Sanitary District
Craig Murray, Treasurer, Board Director, Las Gallinas Valley Sanitation District
Shelley Redding, Secretary, Administrator, Inverness Public Utilities District
Lew Kious, Officer At Large, Board Director, Almonte Sanitary District

Officers Absent: None
Staff Present None

Public Present Dennis Rodoni, District 4 Marin County Board of Supervisors

Roy Given, Director of Finance, County of Marin

Jason Fried, Marin LAFCo Mary Halley, Muir Beach CSD

Rich Pearce, Tiburon Fire Protection District Cathryn Hilliard, Southern Marin Fire District Alyssa Schiffman, Southern Marin Fire District Chris Tubbs, Southern Marin Fire District

Bonner Buehler, Homestead Valley Sanitary District

Steve Moore, Ross Valley Sanitary District

Eric Dreikosen, Marinwood Community Services District

2. OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comments were made.

- 3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS
 - a) Approval of Minutes for September 15, 2021 Membership Meeting Deferred to next meeting.
- **4.** Updates/Presentations:

A. Marin County Finance Introduction and Discussion - Roy Given:

Director Roy Given gave a summary of his career with the County of Marin. He thanked President Abrams for the invitation to participate and noted that he had not had an opportunity to attend a meeting with Special Districts in Marin County before. He discussed the importance of Special Districts and noted that the County manages the funds for some of them. He asked if anyone had any questions that he could address. Secretary Redding asked about the ERAF Funding and projections for the current fiscal year disbursements. He gave some

background on the ERAF funds and described their association to property tax growth, and how much funding the schools would need. He stated that they could send out annual estimates for ERAF and property tax estimates. Director Hansell asked if he could send out an annual staff update list for personnel in Finance. He noted he would be happy to attend any meeting if invited by the group, to address any topic related to County Finance.

E. Marin County Board of Supervisors Member Introduction and Discussion of Current Topics - Dennis Rodoni-District 4 Marin: (joined the meeting at 2:54 p.m.)

Supervisor Rodoni was introduced by President Heather Abrams. Supervisor Rodoni expressed his thanks for being invited to the meeting. He noted that he had participated with the previous version of Marin Special District Association and was glad to see it revived. He highlighted his prior public service roles in Marin County for 20 years as a Board member of the North Marin Water District, served for 14 years with Marin LAFCo. He is currently serving as the President of the Board of Supervisor for Marin County. He provided a Power Point presentation of the County operations during the previous 11 months. He noted that the County used \$7 million of reserves for operations due to the pandemic. The largest County expenditures are salaries (56%) and Health and Human Services (33%), which is increased because of the expanded services for the pandemic. He fielded questions pertaining to both the Department of Public Works and the Planning Department and provided some suggestions for resolutions to issues experienced around timing of projects and delays.

He also reported on a new program, Fire Foundry, which is an education and career collaboration for under served youths to gain skills-based experience in a fire services career.

Director Redding noted Supervisor Rodoni's recent participation in the County-wide water agency talks relating to the drought and discussions about One Water. Specifically highlighting the collaboration between Marin and Sonoma County to address the regional water resources and how future water use and development can be sustained. It was noted that the topic may be of interest to Sanitary Districts.

B. Legislation Opportunities – Craig Murray:

Director Murray briefly highlighted the following:

AB 339 that would add special rules for city council or county board meetings SB 594 redistricting measure calling for all Special Districts to adopt their post census re-districting maps prior to 180 days before a general election in 2022.

C. Marin County Disaster Council Update – Lew Kious:

Deferred report until next Membership Meeting

D. Solid Waste Update – Bill Hansell:

Director Hansell reported that there had not been much more to report since the last meeting.

5. Informational Items:

1. LAFCo Update – Jason Fried:

Jason Fried reported that work continues on the document catalog.

2. California Special District Association – Colleen Haley

Deferred since Colleen Haley not present at meeting.

3. Member Round Robin/Networking

Nothing reported

6. Board Requests:

a. Future Meeting dates:

Discussion about the next meeting to be scheduled and if there was a day that would work for everyone. Generally all members responded that the same day and time works.

7. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 4:22 pm

Attest: /S/ Date: 1/26/2022

