

Marin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

**MINUTES OF THE
FLOOD CONTROL ZONE 1 ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
HELD FEBRUARY 9, 2017
AT 4 MONTEGO KEY, NOVATO**

Board Members (AB) Present

Bill Long (BL) – Chairman
Jim Grossi (JG)
Ernie Ganas (EG)
Dietrich Stroeh (DS)
Drew McIntyre (DM) – Vice Chairman

District Staff (Staff) Present

Roger Leventhal, Senior Engineer
Liz Lewis, Planning Manager
Laurie Williams, Senior Planner
Dave Nicholson, Zone-1 Engineer
Ed Kiernan, County Counsel

Item 1. Closed Session

The Board met in closed session to discuss anticipated litigation.

Item 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes: December 8, 2016

Action by Board: Approve minutes as written with no amendments.

M/S: DS/DM **Ayes:** Five, **Nay:** None, **Abstain:** None

Item 3. Open Time for Items Not on the Agenda

A citizen expressed concern about the District's no trespassing sign obscuration due to overgrown vegetation at District-owned pond south of Costco (known as Beverly Erth Ecological Preserve). District staff informed the citizen and the Board that field technical staff will conduct a site inspection and mitigate overgrown vegetation.

Item 4. Grant Programs Progress

A brief status of awarded District grants was provided by District staff. Upon AB inquiry, District staff informed the AB that the Local Levee Assessment Program (LLAP) levee evaluations included geotechnical analysis, and additional analysis locations will include the Pacheco Pond levee.

Item 5. Zone Engineer's Report

District staff provided a briefing on post storm problem areas including the Leveroni levee breaches and how they may have affected the flooding on Highway 37. District staff informed the AB that it has referred the Leveroni family to the National Resource Conservation District (NRCS) for help with repairing the levees. The NRCS requires a public sponsor. The AB recommended seeing if Caltrans can sponsor the Leveronis rather than the District.

Item 6. Update on Possible New Projects

- District staff provided an overview of the possible new projects and offered a priority based on need and most beneficial outcome. Replacement of Simmons Pump was determined to have the highest priority. Rush Creek study and Pacheco Pond levee improvements shared a close second followed by Baccaglio Basin study/redesign having the least priority.
- The AB recommended inquiring about acquiring Pacheco Pond levee restoration funds from the Bay Trail project.
- The AB suggested a site tour of Rush Creek to gain a better understanding of existing conditions. District staff will coordinate a meeting/tour.

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Item 7. Zone Funding

District staff indicated that the Policy Advisory Committee has recommended planning for a revenue measure in 2017.

Item 8. Zone Education and Outreach Plan

Recommended action: to create an ad-hoc subcommittee of two AB members for outreach and education on the needs and benefits of flood control and habitat restoration within Zone 1.

Bill Long and Dietrich Stroeh volunteered for the subcommittee.

Action by Board: Approve establishment of an ad-hoc subcommittee comprising Bill Long and Dietrich Stroeh for the said purpose:

M/S: JG/EG **Ayes:** Five, **Nay:** None, **Abstain:** None

Item 9. 2017 Meeting Schedule

The AB approved the proposed listed meeting dates with the annual budget presented on April 6th for AB approval. District staff recommended a possible need to meet in May or June to recommend that the County of Marin Board of Supervisors call for an election for a revenue measure.

April 6, 2017

*May 4 or June 1, 2017 if needed

August 3, 2017

November 2, 2017