

Marin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

**MINUTES OF THE
FLOOD CONTROL ZONE NO. 4 ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
HELD THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2013
AT THE STRAWBERRY RECREATION CENTER
118 EAST STRAWBERRY DRIVE, MILL VALLEY**

Board Members Present

Robert "Bob" Rogers (RR)
Rufus "Jerry" Thayer (RT)
Kathryn Oliver (KO)
Barbara DuBois (BD)

District Staff Present

Tracy Clay
Hugh Davis
Hannah Lee

Board Members Absent

John Leszczynski (JL)

Other

None

Item 1. Approval of Meeting Minutes for February 26, 2013

RR began the meeting at 6:34 pm.

M/S BD/RT: Approval of minutes of the February 26, 2013 Advisory Board meeting, as written, with no amendments.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstain: One absent

Item 2. Open Time for Items Not on the Agenda

BD brought up her concern that the tide gate at the end of the Strawberry levee toe drain/ditch is not draining properly as the water level appears to be often higher than the tide level. Staff said they would have the Building Maintenance Division monitor this facility while on their usual rounds during storms. Staff also mentioned that the standing water in that ditch is monitored by the Marin Sonoma Mosquito and Vector Control District and that the saltwater is not suitable for mosquitos that carry West Nile Virus.

Item 3. District Engineer's Report

- a. ***FEMA Map Revisions:*** See additional information in the 5/23 Staff Report. Preliminary map revisions have been released to agencies for review and it appears at this time that additional homes could be added to the FEMA Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). Not only could additional homes be required to pay flood insurance, but FEMA is planning for increases in flood insurance rates. FEMA's map revisions will be available to the public in the fall.

The County will be participating in FEMA's Community Rating System program for unincorporated areas of the county which, when implemented, will provide discounted insurance premiums.

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Item 4. Annual and Preventive Maintenance Program

Staff provided a summary of facility maintenance planned for this summer. See additional information in the 5/23 Staff Report. A resident requested that she receive notice when vegetation maintenance will be performed by the District along West Creek. KO said that, to be fair, all residents on West Creek with easements to be maintained should receive the same notice. The AB said it is reasonable to have the District indicate to residents a window of time during which the Conservation Corps North Bay would perform their maintenance. Staff said this would also provide an opportunity for notifying residents of other items which would be included in the CCNB's clean-up of the easement, such as deteriorated sand bags.

Item 5. Southern Marin Watershed Program

See additional information in the 5/23 Staff Report. RR indicated that he would be retiring from his current job at the end of the week but will continue to serve on the Technical Working Group. Staff will update his email address in the Watershed Program contact list.

Item 6. Zone Budget for FY 2013-2014

See additional information in the 5/23 Staff Report.

M/S RT/BD: Recommend the Board of Supervisors approve the budgets.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstain: One absent

Item 7. Next Meeting

Staff and the Advisory Board agreed that the next meeting should be held at an appropriate time to provide updates on the Watershed Program and FEMA map revisions (see Items 3 and 5 in the 5/23 Staff Report), most likely in the fall. Staff will schedule this meeting with the Advisory Board as we get closer to that time period.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:03 pm.