

**MINUTES OF
THE FLOOD ZONE FOUR ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
HELD WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3RD, 2009
118 EAST STRAWBERRY DRIVE**

Board Members Present

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

County Staff Present

Tracy Clay
Jack Curley
Hannah Lee

Board Members Absent

None

Other

None

Item # 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 3, 2009 Meeting

RR began the meeting at 6:34 pm.

AB requested to add to Item # 6 that Mark Hill, owner of 38 Strawberry Circle, corroborated Vicki Coll's report that the stormwater puddles in front of their properties have grown larger since the Roads department repaved Strawberry Circle.

M/S RR/RT: Approval of minutes of the March 3, 2009 Advisory Board meeting, pending the addition of Mark Hill's testimony.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Item # 2. OPEN TIME FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No non-agendized items were raised.

Item # 3. ZONE 4 BUDGET FY 09-10

Staff presented FY 2009-2010 Budget Report for FCZ #4 Bel Aire and #4A Strawberry. See attachment to the 6/3 STAFF REPORT.

AB also asked if property tax reassessment would result in loss of tax revenue for the Zone. Staff explained that the Zone's tax revenues come specifically from property owners within the Zone. Because Marin County property values are still increasing slightly, losses in property tax revenues are not anticipated at this time.

AB expressed concern that budgeted expenditures are \$286,750 greater than anticipated revenues for FY 2009-10 and that the budget represents a greater than normal spending pattern for the Zone. Staff stated that budgeted expenditures are estimates and because the Flood Control Zone 4 is a "Special District," any unspent, budgeted funds remain in the Zone 4 account. Budgeted expenditures for salaries and benefits may be overly conservative because they are based on actual costs from the first 3 quarters of the present fiscal year, a year that had an above average workload. In the professional services line item, the Watershed Stewardship Plan will more than likely span 2 to 3 years with the cost being spread over multiple

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years. If expenditures are less than budgeted for these reasons, the gap between expenditures and revenue would be reduced or possibly closed.

Item # 4. ANNUAL AND PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE PLAN

Staff reviewed the annual and preventative maintenance plan. See summary in 6/3 STAFF REPORT. Pump rebuild is conducted on a 6-year cycle; on average one pump is removed for rebuild from each Zone during the summer.

Item # 5. PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

Watershed Management Plan

Staff presented an update on the Watershed Program (Program) as it relates to Zone 4. See summary in 6/3 STAFF REPORT. Staff explained that the Program would speed up the time it takes to get from a project concept to construction by identifying obstacles and potential mitigation opportunities up-front. The AB expressed concerns that the Zone 4 contribution of \$240,000 seemed disproportionate to their influence in the Richardson Bay watershed. Staff advised the AB that the District Supervisor was very supportive of the watershed program and the amount of funding allocated from Zone 4 and that it was the Board of Supervisors' intention to move forward with this level of support.

The AB was notified that there will be a Richardson Bay Watershed Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) at 8:30am, June 15th at Mill Valley City Hall. The PAC meets to determine the direction of the Watershed Program and how it affects other entities. Attending this meeting will be the District Supervisor, a Zone 3 AB member, and a Zone 4 AB member is strongly recommended to participate. RT volunteered to represent the Zone 4 AB at this meeting.

Late in the summer, August/September, the Richardson Bay Watershed Technical Working Group (TWG) will meet to discuss specific projects and the Watershed Master Plan. A Zone 4 AB member has the option to attend. The AB also may recommend members of the public who are engineers or biologists that could potentially represent the Zone's interest in the TWG. TWG meetings are likely to take place in the evening.

Item # 6. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

The tentative date for the next meeting is November, 2009. If RT decides after the PAC meeting that it would be advantageous to hold an AB meeting before the August/September TWG meeting, he may request a special meeting be held in August.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.