

Marin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

**MINUTES OF THE
FLOOD CONTROL ZONE 7 ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
HELD WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2015
IN KURLAND LOUNGE AT THE OSHER MARIN JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER
200 N SAN PEDRO ROAD, SAN RAFAEL**

Board Members Present

Michael Perani (MP), Chairperson
Jeffrey Krupnick (JK)
Evan Marks (EM)
Jacqueline Garcia (JG)
Russ Greenfield (RG)

District Staff (Staff) Present

Liz Lewis, Principal Planner
Hannah Lee, Associate Engineer
Laurie Williams, Senior Planner
Dave Nicholson, Zone Engineer

Board Members Absent

None

Others

Susanna Clark, Aide to Supervisor Damon Connolly
Christine Gimmler, Marin County CDA

Item 1. Approval of Meeting Minutes: September 3, 2014

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

M/S: EM/JK, **Ayes:** Five, **Nay:** None, **Abstain:** None

Item 2. Open Time for Items Not on the Agenda

No comments were received.

Item 3. Zone Engineer's Report

The Zone Engineer reported on the following items as summarized in the 2/18/2015 staff report.

a. Storm Report

A comment was received regarding the importance of keeping the trash rack clear of debris at the inlet to the Meadow Interceptor Drain. Staff acknowledged this and confirmed that before, during and after storms the Conservation Corps North Bay inspects and clears the trash rack.

b. Storm Drain between 618 and 620 Vendola Drive

Staff will follow up with the County Roads Maintenance Division annually regarding the status of the storm drain described in the staff report.

c. FEMA Community Rating System (CRS) Update

A member of the public asked if the flood insurance discount under CRS applies to private insurance and staff said they would report back with an answer at the next Zone 7 Advisory Board meeting.

Item 4. Watershed Program Update

Watershed Program (GWP) staff reported on the status of the program. A question from the public was posed about how Zone 7 residents were being notified on the availability of GWP reports. Staff currently maintains an email newsletter subscription list to which people can opt in via marinwatersheds.org and additionally offered to send a newsletter to the Santa Venetia Neighborhood Association and to JG for posting to Nextdoor.

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JG asked that GWP staff coordinate community feedback with other County efforts including the Community Development Agency's Santa Venetia Community Plan, and Park's McInnis Marsh Restoration Feasibility Study. GWP staff responded in agreement.

Item 5. Zone 7 FY 2015-16 Budget Review

District staff provided a breakdown of the 2014-15 and the 2015-16 budgets as well as a 5-year forecast of reserves.

Two general paths were noted; one to continue only regularly scheduled maintenance ("Low") and a second to include anticipated facility repair needs on top of regular maintenance ("High"). Noting a 5-year approximately \$500,000 deficit for the second option, Zone staff presented three fund-raising/special tax measure options to the AB (see table below). A fourth, "do nothing" option was mentioned by EM. No decision was made regarding these options.

Opt-ion	Description	Staff	Begin	Elec-tion	Pros	Cons
1	Gallinas Watershed-wide tax	GWP	Late-2015	2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on GWP final report • Vetted at community meetings • Timing aligns with CRS insurance discounts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upper Gallinas support unknown • Delay until GWP complete
2	Sub-area Flood Control Zone 7 tax – post GWP	GWP	Late-2015	2016		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delay until GWP complete
3	Flood Control Zone 7 tax - now	FCZ	Mid-2015	Fall 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can take action now 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doesn't get full benefit of GWP • Not vetted thru GWP community meetings

The AB suggested several changes to the proposed budgets for fiscal years 14/15 and 15/16. EM recommended increasing the dollar amount to \$50,000 this year and \$40,000 next fiscal year for redwood box levee repairs. MP suggested postponing Pump Station 2 generator replacement and removing the \$175,000 cost for the generator from the 15/16 budget. RG disagreed with that suggestion, but was willing to support the majority of the AB in their decision.

Action by Board: Recommend to approve the 2015-16 budget with the proposed changes by EM and MP.

M/S: MP/EM, ***Ayes:*** Five, ***Nay:*** None, ***Abstain:*** None

Item 6. Next Meeting

Staff suggested that the next meeting be scheduled for November 4, 2015.

Action by Board: Schedule the next meeting as stated above.

M/S: MP/JK, ***Ayes:*** Five, ***Nay:*** None, ***Abstain:*** None

Meeting Adjourned at 8:55PM