

**MINUTES OF  
THE FLOOD CONTROL ZONE ONE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
HELD THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2009  
999 RUSH CREEK PLACE, NOVATO**

**Board Members Present**

Bill Long (BL)  
Mark Byers (MB)  
Ray Wrysinski (RW)  
Dietrich Stroeh (DS)

**County Staff Present**

Bob Beaumont (BB)  
Tracy Clay (TC)  
Pat Balderama (PB)  
Hannah Lee (HL)

**Board Members Absent**

Terry Molloy (TM)

**Other**

None

**ITEM 1. Viewing of Vineyard Creek Phase II Plans**

Prior to the meeting the public was afforded to view the improvement plans.

**ITEM 2. Approval of Minutes: November 6, 2008**

Meeting began at 6:17 pm. There was a minor confusion among AB members as to the starting time for the meeting. Some claim that they were not adequately notified of the change in starting time.

**M/S DS/MB:** Approval of minutes of the November 6, 2008 Advisory Board meeting, as written with no amendments.

***Ayes: All Present***

***Nay: None***

***Abstain: One Absent***

**ITEM 3. Open Time for Items not on the Agenda**

RW expressed his observations and concern over the raised elevation and cross-bracing of the railroad bridge at Novato Creek.

MB recommended that regular AB meetings should start at 6:30 PM as commonly understood.

**ITEM 4. Zone 1 Budget FY 09-10**

TC presented the budget summary for FY 09-10 and the 5-year cash flow projection for the Zone. She explained that the Zone would have enough money to maintain operation of the Zone but would not have funds for large maintenance and/or replacement of Zone facilities (e.g. pump stations) and for any capital projects on the Zone's wish list.

BL voiced his observation that projection up to Year 2020 would show that the Zone will have about \$15M shortfall.

DS suggested that a funding mechanism such as a bond measure may be needed in order for the Zone to undertake any capital project. BB added that a fiscal analysis would be required before attempting any bond measure.

**Marin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District**

**M/S DS/RW:** Approval of 2009-10 Budget for recommendation to the BOS.

**Ayes:** All Present

**Nay:** None

**Abstain:** One Absent

**ITEM 5. Annual and Preventative Maintenance Work Program**

PB reported that the creek cleanup and vegetation management of all creeks and levees maintained by the Zone has been completed. Likewise, all pump stations have been inspected and tuned-up. A map of the maintenance area was provided to the AB.

**ITEM 6. Project Status Update**

**a. Watershed Program**

PB announced that the watershed plan for Zone 1 will be presented to the Novato City Council on May 19, 2009. BL noted that the watershed plan is almost akin to the Countywide plan and he encouraged those present to attend the Council meeting and persuade the Council members to agree to the watershed plan. A discussion on sea level rise ensued.

**b. Lynwood and Cheda Pump Stations**

HL said that she is working with Nute Engineering, engineering consultant, on finalizing the Improvement Plans to make it "shovel ready" and potentially eligible for Federal Stimulus funding.

**c. Vineyard Creek Channel Enhancement Project**

At the start of the meeting copies of the improvement plans were hung on the wall for the audience to view and comment on. Staff answered questions from the AB and audience. HL said that the project will be put out to bid and awarded on.....

**ITEM 7. Schedule Next Meeting**

Per the Zone By-Laws meeting should be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of November 2009. Meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm.