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Lisa Palmer, Vice President
Tom Fayram, Director
Greg Parks, Director
Nina Stormo, Director



**LOS OLIVOS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING**

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March 13, 2024, 6PM (PST)

**St Mark's in the Valley Episcopal Church, Stacy Hall
2901 Nojoqui Ave, Los Olivos CA 93441**

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MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Kennedy calls the meeting to order at: 6:00 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Present: President Kennedy, Vice President Palmer, Director Fayram, Director Parks, Director Stormo

Absent: None

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

GM Savage notes that an Addendum to tonight's meeting was posted earlier in the day. He adds that each will be briefly talked about as part of the appropriate agenda item.

GM Savage comments that the District is trying a new microphone/speaker system for the meeting. He thanks the Santa Ynez Community Services District for loaning them a system that can be used and evaluated prior to the LOCSD making a purchase.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may address the Board of Directors on any items of interest within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Board but not on the agenda today (Gov. Code - 54954.3). The public may also request future agenda topics at this time. Speakers are limited to a maximum of 3 minutes. Due to the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Board of Directors cannot take action today on any matter not on the agenda, but a matter raised during Public Comments can be referred to District staff for discussion and possible action at a future meeting.

President Kennedy opens the floor to public comment.

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Tom Nelson speaks.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM:

Per public request, a brief report from the General Manager that conveys District status and updates is being added at the beginning of the agenda. This status report may touch on key items in the project plan or schedule. The General Manager will leave other detailed reporting, including budgetary reporting until the end of the meeting. This item is informational only, no action will be taken, and no public comment will be received.

5. GENERAL MANAGER’S DISTRICT STATUS REPORT

GM Savage briefly comments that the significant items of work are on the agenda for this evening and therefore he will withhold commentary until the appropriate item.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION ITEMS:

All matters listed hereunder constitute an administrative / consent agenda and will be acted upon by a single vote of the Board. Matters listed on the Consent Agenda will be read only at the request of a member of the Board, in which event the matter may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as a separate item. Public may comment on any of the items prior to the vote being taken by the Board.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Meeting minutes of February 28, 2024.

B. APPROVAL PAYMENT OF INVOICES RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2024.

The invoices below have been reviewed by the Finance Subcommittee and are recommended for approval.

No.	Invoice Date	Invoice #	Provider	Amount
1	2/6/2024	876.004-1	GSI – Groundwater Monitoring Wells (Grant Reimbursable)	\$ 13,266.81
2	2/7/2024	24-30118	BC2 Engineering – Groundwater Monitoring Well Drilling / Development (Grant Reimbursable)	\$ 31,662.50
3	2/15/2024	84161	Aleshire & Wynder – Legal Services	\$ 4,073.20
4	2/16/2024	85541	MNS Engineering – Engineering and Support Svcs. (Portions Grant Reimbursable)	\$ 962.50
5	2/27/2024	24-30118.1	BC2 Engineering – Groundwater Monitoring Well Drilling / Development (Grant Reimbursable)	\$ 6,891.25
6	2/28/2024	20242	Savage – General Manager Services (Portions Grant Reimbursable)	\$ 6,785.80

Project	Vendor	To Date (inc. above)	Remaining Authorization
Audit (Pre 2023)	Moss, Levy & Hartzheim, LLP	\$ 2,780.00	\$ 4,995.00
Audit (2023)	Moss, Levy & Hartzheim, LLP	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,900.00
30% Hybrid Design	REGEN, LLC.	\$ 25,306.59	\$ 49,693.41
Groundwater Wells	Various	\$ 121,445.00	\$ 59,087.55

GM Savage briefly introduces the item, pointing out that MLH will begin the audit after the April 15 tax deadline. He adds that he will provide more detail on the current financial situation of the LOCS D as part of his GM Comments in item 9B.

President Kennedy opens the floor to public comment.

No requests to speak.

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by: Vice President Palmer; Second: Director Parks

Voice vote: 5-0

BUSINESS ITEMS:

7. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON THE INSTALLATION OF THREE NEW GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELLS AND TESTING OF THE THREE NEW WELLS, PLUS TESTING OF TWO EXISTING WELLS

The LOCSD successfully applied for grant funds to install three new groundwater monitoring wells and test the three new wells plus two existing groundwater monitoring wells. Staff will provide an update on the progress of the effort. Information is also available on-line at:

<https://www.losolivoscsd.com/district-drills-three-additional-groundwater-monitoring-wells-6ee4aedd-e69b-4137-afc1-bc072cbcb7d0>

The update will include new information regarding test results and requirements from the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board. Staff will be seeking direction from the Board of Directors on the new requirements and related efforts.

GM Savage walks through a number of slides, which are posted with the agenda on the District website. As he walks through the slides, he describes the drilling, development and well development processes. He then explains how well testing is completed. He notes that in the Addendum posted earlier today, there are new requirements from the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (CCRWQCB). GM Savage describes the difference between the District's normal testing approach and what the CCRWQCB is requesting. He then notes that GSI is providing a quote for the effort and that the additional work will fit within the existing grant and that County EHS has agreed to pay for the work using the grant funds. GM Savage concludes his comments about well testing with a general, verbal description of how contaminates "spread" in the groundwater table. He notes that water underground does not always flow the way it might be expected; so, no assumptions about test results should be made. He concludes his comments by stating that one way to get more specific results would be to add another well north of Highway 154, along Figueroa Mountain Road or Railway Avenue. Such a well would be in keeping with the original Groundwater Monitoring Well program. He closes his comments by saying that he would appreciate direction from the Board in two areas:

1. Confirmation that pursuing the additional groundwater monitoring well scope proposed by CCRWQCB, as long as it fits within the existing grant funds, is okay.
2. Direction regarding pursuit of an additional well north of Highway 154.

President Kennedy opens the floor to public comment.

Paul Rohrer and Mike Brady speak.

Director Palmer concurs that a well north of Hwy 154 makes sense, particularly if the grant covered the entire costs. Director Fayram comments that a well north of Hwy 154 could be good, he notes that he is leery of changing our focus from implementing a solution. He further comments on additional constituents being requested to be tested for and the impact on the District's budget. Director Stormo comments that an additional well would be nice but wants to understand the costs. Director Parks asks about drilling outside of the District, would the County be willing to help us with the costs. President Kennedy comments that she supports another well.

8. DISCUSSION REGARDING PLANNING FOR POTENTIAL UPCOMING WORKSHOPS – SITING AND SYSTEM OWNERSHIP

The Board will discuss two potential upcoming workshops: community treatment plant siting and ownership of system components. Staff will be seeking direction from the Board of Directors regarding the potential workshops, content of the workshops, and how best to facilitate the community discussion.

GM Savage introduces the item. He notes that this is solely a conversation about planning for upcoming workshops, not a "decision" making item regarding siting or system ownership.

President Kennedy opens the floor to public comment related to Siting.

Paul Rohrer, Tom Nelson, Anna Marie Gott, and Mike Brady speak.

Director Fayram comments on connectivity to the City of Solvang, disposal, testing, and REGEN's report. He notes that it is kind of a chicken and an egg conversation, you have to start someplace. Vice President Palmer comments that a Siting conversation is little premature and would like to revisit this in two months. Director Stormo agrees with the comments that holding off is probably best. Director Parks concurs. President Kennedy agrees we should

President Kennedy opens the floor to public comment related to Component Ownership.

Tom Nelson, Paul Rohrer, Anna Marie Gott speak.

Director Parks comments that this conversation may also be a bit too early. Director Stormo agrees this should be held until after treatment discussion is completed. Director Fayram comments that he is familiar with many of

these issues and that only owning those things “in the street” tends to be the preferred approach. Vice President Palmer comments that she is interested in understanding what we can/cannot do, options, preferred options taken by other organizations, regulatory framework, and other models that are available. Director Fayram comments that we will need a lot of help from Counsel on what is possible and/or what additional experts are available. President Kennedy likens having a conversation, much like was done with Counsel’s Brown Act presentation may make sense.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

These items are informational only, no action will be taken, and no public comment will be received.

9. REPORTS

A. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Subcommittee (President Kennedy Chair)

President Kennedy notes that the Finance Subcommittee did meet last week.

Grants Subcommittee (President Kennedy Chair)

Did not meet, and there are a couple of grant opportunities

Project Management Subcommittee (Director Palmer Chair)

Did not meet but is anticipating meeting soon.

Technical Subcommittee (Director Fayram Chair)

Did not meet, but has one scheduled for March 22.

B. GENERAL MANAGER AND DISTRICT ENGINEER COMMENTS

The GM and DE will give reports on any meetings that they attended on behalf of the District, report on various District-related activities and/or provide status on projects. The GM may also review Budget Reports. See the packet for more details.

Notable upcoming meeting items:

April – Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Budget and Strategic Planning, GM’s Annual Report

May – REGEN 30% deliverable final presentation

May – FY 2024-25 Budget Workshop

July/June – FY 2024-25 Budget Hearing, Gann Limit, Tax Assessment Authorization

GM Savage points out the upcoming meetings. He then walks through his status report (attached) and the District’s financial situation (also attached). He notes that \$75,000 has been expended on the groundwater monitoring wells and that he has requested an interim reimbursement.

GM Savage then notes that he and DE Pike will be attending an American Public Works Association (APWA) meeting tomorrow, where the District is up for a regional award related to its groundwater monitoring project. Details of the meeting were included in last month’s agenda, but not highlighted.

GM Savage points out that part of the Addendum was the promised map from REGEN. It appears that water main setbacks within the downtown core may not create a significant issue. However, until CAD drawings or other input from ID#1 are received, the District cannot say for certain.

GM Savage asks the Board about “permanently” moving to the Grange for its Regular Meetings. He notes that he has confirmed that all remaining 2024 dates are available at the Grange and that rental is \$50 per meeting.

GM Savage concludes by noting that he has performed some outreach to organizations such as Los Olivos Elementary School to better understand their interests regarding community wastewater treatment.

10. DIRECTORS COMMENTS

Directors will give reports on any meetings that they attended on behalf of the Board and/or choose to comment on various District-related activities. Directors may also request future agenda topics at this time.

President Kennedy - No comments

Vice President Palmer – No comments

Director Fayram – No comments

Director Parks – No comments

Director Stormo – No comments

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at: 7:24 PM

Motion by: Director Fayram; Second: Vice President Palmer

Voice vote: 5-0

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Guy W. Savage".

Guy W. Savage

General Manager – Los Olivos Community Services District

Approved:

President Julie Kennedy