



# De Luz Community Services District

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Michael Adams Gene Bianchi Bryan Buescher Robert D'Alessandri Rami Mina

## GENERAL MANAGER

Rob Holmes

## MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS JANUARY 18, 2017 6:00 P.M.

### A. Call to Order & Roll Call

A meeting of the De Luz Community Services District was held at the De Luz CSD Office commencing at 6:00 p.m. on January 18, 2017. Present at the meeting were the following Directors:

Director Adams  
Director Bianchi  
Director Buescher  
Director D'Alessandri  
Director Mina

General Manager Holmes, Assistant Secretary Ruzek, and General Counsel Jackson were also present.

President Bianchi led the flag salute.

### B. Sheriff

Deputy Garcia gave the Sheriff's Report for December 2016 and updated the Board on January 2017 activities. The written report is on file with the District. He reported that activity was somewhat quiet other than some family disputes over the holidays. He also stated that avocado thefts were relatively low.

*In light of the change in Board positions, General Counsel Jackson took this opportunity to revisit the purpose and procedures of Public Comment with the Board.*

### C. Public Comment

None.

Motion was made by D'Alessandri, seconded by Adams, to proceed to Agenda Item "H".

The motion carried unanimously.

H. **Resolution Granting a Variance to Southern California Edison for Above Ground Utilities on Los Gatos Road.**

Brian Kolka, SCE Project Manager, was present.

General Manager Holmes explained to the Board that Southern California Edison (SCE) met with the Engineering Committee and requested a one-time variance from the requirements of the District's Ordinance Code Section 409-1 (to place utilities underground) for a utility installation along Los Gatos and Carancho Roads.

General Counsel Jackson further explained that the one-time variance, if granted, would result in the placement of twenty-one (21) above-ground poles along an approximately one mile stretch of Los Gatos between Carancho Road and the northern District boundary with each pole to be located not less than five feet (5') horizontally distant from the existing edge of roadway.

The Engineering Committee and the District's General Manager reviewed the plans and concurred that complying with the District's Underground Ordinance would be impractical or unreasonable because of the presence of significant rock; steepness of the grade (excess of 26%) and length of grade of grade make stabilization of underground cable in conduit extremely difficult given current technology and construction method. All parties involved also agreed that granting the variance would provide a reliable source of back-up power for the residents of the communities served by Los Gatos Road in the vicinity of the Edison Project (#724099-C).

Motion was made by Adams, seconded by Mina, to grant a one-time variance to Southern California Edison for Project No. 724099-C and adopt Resolution No. 2017-01:

Respecting Application of Southern California Edison for a Variance Regarding District Ordinance Code Section 409-1 for Edison Project Number 724099-C, Los Gatos Road From Carancho Road to the District Northern Boundary

The motion carried unanimously.

*At this time, the Board returned to Agenda Item "D".*

**D. Information Only**

The Board received the December Financial Reports, and Statement of Investment Policy.

*In light of the change in Board positions, General Counsel Jackson took this opportunity to revisit the purpose and procedures of the Consent Calendar with the Board.*

**E. Consent Calendar**

Motion was made by D'Alessandri, seconded by Mina, to approve the Consent Calendar.

1. Minutes of the December 21, 2016 Regular Board Meeting
2. General Fund Claims: \$91,891.02
3. Sheriff's Fund Claims: \$26,514.42
4. Purchase Orders No(s): 2017-001 and 2017-002.

The motion carried unanimously.

**F. Discussion of Legal Matters**

General Counsel Jackson reported that with the passage of AB 1661, Sexual Harassment Prevention Training is now required of Board members every two years.

**G. Request for Management Services from Rincon Ranch CSD**

General Counsel Jackson reported to the Board that a request for Management Services was received from Rincon Ranch CSD; a small public agency near Pauma Valley within San Diego County. He explained some of the possible hurdles that would have to be overcome if the Board chose to consider their request.

The Board took no action on this item.

**I. Finance Committee Report**

Director Mina reported that at their recent meeting, the Finance Committee reviewed the District claims; discussed the PMS and CHP programs; progress of the collection of benefit fees from the Fish & Game, and other funding sources that may be available to the District.

**J. Engineering Committee Report**

Director Buescher reported that at their recent meeting, the Engineering Committee discussed the field services report from Inspector Keith Caddy after the recent rains, the SCE line extension on Los Gatos Road, the possibility of installing cautionary speed signs on Carancho Road, and the future Via Vaquero - Phase IV-A project. The Committee also discussed the progress of the PMS reports from Dynatest and stated there were no new tract or parcel maps submitted.

**K. General Manager's Report**

General Manager Holmes presented his written report which is on file with the District Office. He reported that Field Staff is currently monitoring the roads as heavy rain is predicted for the Temecula Valley.

**L. Adjournment**

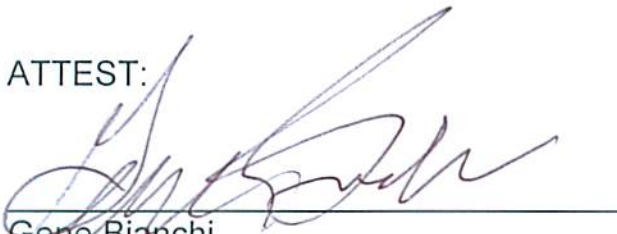
There being no further business, President Bianchi adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.



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Rob Holmes  
Secretary, Board of Directors

ATTEST:



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Gene Bianchi  
President, Board of Directors