

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
ENGINEERING COMMITTEE  
Wednesday, February 15, 2006  
6:00 p.m.**

**A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Directors Rubin and Kelly were present.

**B. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

**C. MINUTES:**

Minutes of the January 18, 2006 meeting were approved

**D. COMMUNITY MAILBOXES:**

Director Rubin stated that per advice by District Legal Council, SRCSD needed to go through the public hearing process and possibly vote of the residents to amend the Districts charter to include mailbox responsibility. Director Rubin suggested that the Home Owner's Associations be involved to resolve the issue of acquisition and maintenance of mailboxes possibly coordinated through the Westside Council.

GM Holmes reported that he spoke with Murrieta Postal official and confirmed that neither city nor county maintained mailboxes in their jurisdiction. Also, Murrieta takes the same position as Temecula Postmaster that the mailboxes are not maintained by the post office. Holmes also reported that HOA's could have control over mailboxes as to issuing keys and even charging box fees.

Discussion progressed to whether the District would allow and or provide lighting at the mailbox locations for safety concerns. Both Directors agreed that the committee could consider action regarding lighting upon receipt of more information and legal council advice. Discussion included reminders that many concerns needed to be addressed regarding any light. Some of the concerns include potential light pollution effecting Palomar Observatory, location of suitable existing power pole to mount light, SRCSD's Underground utility ordinance if new pole needed to be placed and payment of Edison bill for service.

#### **E. THYZEL COURT:**

Residents of Thyzel Court asked that the roadway be brought into SRCSD maintained system. Mrs Thyzel stated the she thought that it had been accepted by SRCSD many years ago and only found out in the past few years that it was not.

GM Holmes stated that at the time that Thyzel Court was constructed the District's policy expressed through the Board was that SRCSD would only maintain those roads that were constructed under the direct inspection and supervision of SRCSD and Thyzel Court did not meet that criteria. Holmes stated that Calle Del Mundo was constructed near the same time as Thyzel Court and was accepted by the Board because the contract for construction and inspection was accomplished through SRCSD. Other roads such as Henry Court were built privately to District Standards and also not accepted into the maintained system.

Mrs. Thyzel provide paperwork and records to GM Holmes at the meeting.

Committee directed GM Holmes to make a thorough evaluation of the road condition and report back to the Engineering Committee.

#### **F. BUS STOP:**

Director Rubin stated the he had received information (from Scott Harvey) that the School Board needed to make a determination that a "School Bus Stop Ahead" was necessary and then Highway Patrol and County of Riverside (SRCSD if our road) would need to approve. GM Holmes reported that he contacted the Murrieta School District Transportation Department and requested that they consider approving a sign near the intersection of Rancho California Road and Calle Capistrano.

**G. PROJECT PRIORITY:**

GM Holmes reported that El Prado Road dip crossing would be opened for traffic near the weekend of February 25.

Holmes reported that the Full Board would be considering financing options at the next Board Meeting that should help alleviate the most of the cash flow issues regarding FEMA reimbursements and that would allow more project to be completed including some budget work currently placed on hold.

Holmes stated that the next 'large' FEMA project specifications were complete and would go out to bid after the next board Meeting.

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM

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Rob Holmes, General Manager

ATTEST:

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Steven P. Rubin, Chairman  
Engineering Committee