

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MAY 23, 2007  
6:00 p.m.**

**A. Call to Order & Roll Call**

A meeting of the Santa Rosa Community Services District was held at the Santa Rosa CSD Office commencing at 6:00 p.m. on May 23, 2007. Present at the meeting were the following Directors:

Director Bianchi  
Director Boyer  
Director Kelly  
Director Rubin  
Director Thomas

General Manager Holmes, Assistant Secretary Gipson, and General Counsel Scott were also present.

President Rubin led the flag salute.

**B. Sheriff**

Deputy Ridley gave the Sheriff's Report for April 2007 and updated the Board on May activities. The written report is on file with the District. He also reported that the Deputies have been meeting with various grove workers and advising them about reporting incidents that they might witness. Sgt. Bruce Anderson, who will be taking Sgt Ellsworth's place, was introduced.

At this time General Counsel Scott asked that, at the request of the Ad-Hoc Personnel Committee, a closed session be added to the agenda pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2) to discuss labor negotiations.

Motion was made by Thomas, seconded by Bianchi, to add a closed session to discuss labor negotiations.

The motion carried unanimously.

**C. Public Expression**

None.

**D. Information Only**

The Financial Reports, and Statements of Reimbursement and Investment Policy were received by the Board.

**E. Consent Calendar**

Motion was made by Rubin, seconded by Thomas, to approve the Consent Calendar.

The motion carried unanimously.

**F. Discussion of Legal Matters**

General Counsel Scott discussed recent legislative reforms being considered as a result of Proposition 218 fee increase requirements.

**G. SDRMA Sixth Amended Joint Powers Agreement**

Assistant Secretary Gipson presented the Special District Risk Management Authority Sixth Amended Joint Powers Agreement, and asked that the Board approve it by resolution.

Motion was made by Kelly, seconded by Rubin, to adopt Resolution No. 07-08:

Approving the Form of and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Sixth Amended Joint Powers Agreement

The motion carried unanimously.

**H. General District Election Notice and Candidates' Statement**

Assistant Secretary Gipson explained that the Registrar of Voters requires the approval of this Notice in conjunction with the election of Directors to be held on November 6, 2007. She also presented the Resolution that directs that the payment of

the cost of a candidates' statement be borne by that candidate, and that the statement be limited to 200 words.

Motion was made by Rubin, seconded by Thomas, to approve the Notice of General District Election and to adopt Resolution No. 07-09:

Directing that the Payment of the Cost of Statement of Qualifications Filed by a Candidate for Election as a Director of the District shall be Paid by the Candidate and Limiting the Statement to 200 Words

The motion carried unanimously

**I. Review of Proposed 2007-08 Benefit Fees**

Assistant Secretary Gipson reviewed the projected 2007-08 Benefit Fee levy based on the expenses and roadwork that were discussed in the recent budget workshop. The proposed fees were discussed by the Board and the audience. She stated that the Budget, as it will be presented at the June 27th Public Hearing, will be available for public inspection by June 1st.

**J. Finance Committee Report**

Director Bianchi reported that no Finance Committee meeting was held in May.

**K. Engineering Committee Report**

Director Rubin reported that at their recent meeting, the Committee discussed the progress of current projects, and the need for formulating a 10-year rehabilitation plan in preparation of a Proposition 218 election.

**L. Ad-Hoc Office Relocation Committee Report**

Director Thomas reviewed the responses received from the recent property owner survey. He stated that the majority of respondents favored a change in the District name to De Luz Community Services District. He also noted that positive responses were received for purchasing land or a home to use for an office and equipment yard within the District boundaries.

Discussion followed regarding the method of funding the purchase and building costs. General Counsel Scott cautioned against diverting public funds collected for other specific purposes, and the Board discussed the possibility of a Prop. 218 election.

General Counsel Scott agreed to research the funding currently available for cash needed as a down payment for property, including any current monies held by the District that might be temporarily utilized pending the arrangement of financing. Bureau Veritas has already been tasked with the feasibility and due diligence for the project.

Director Thomas will contact Chuck Crandall to clarify the scope of Bureau Veritas' involvement, and arrange for him to address the Board with his findings.

**M. Ad-Hoc Personnel Committee**

Director Rubin reported that the Committee met with employee representatives, collected additional information, and are ready to have another meeting.

**N. General Manager's Report**

General Manager Holmes reported on his conversations with Waste Management regarding revised collection schedules and the upcoming large item pick-up. He also discussed current and upcoming projects,

**Executive Session**

The Board met in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to discuss labor negotiations.

*The Board reconvened on open session.*

General Counsel Scott reported that no action was taken during closed session.

**O. Adjournment**

There being no further business, President Rubin adjourned the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

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Rob Holmes  
Secretary, Board of Directors

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Steve Rubin  
President, Board of Directors