



Advocating Open Space Preservation and Public Trails

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
TUESDAY AUGUST 28, 2007 AT 6:00PM
AT THE SILVERADO COMMUNITY CENTER
27641 SILVERADO CANYON ROAD, SILVERADO 92676**

DIRECTORS

Robert Hunt - President
Deborah Johnson – Vice-President
Brett Peterson – Treasurer
Mark Levy – Secretary
Tricia Evans – Director

STAFF

Aimee Bryer – SCC Director
Elizabeth Martyn – General Counsel
Bev Mileham – Admin. Assistant
Phil McWilliams – Grants Admin.
Steve Reighart – Caretaker
Meghan Warner – Bookkeeper

MINUTES

(A: Action Item) These Minutes are available in PDF format at <http://www.smrpd.org>

CALL TO ORDER

President Hunt called the meeting to order at 6:05PM.

ROLL CALL

Directors Hunt, Levy, Johnson, Peterson and Evans, General Counsel Martyn, SCC Director Bryer, Caretaker Reighart, Grants Admin. McWilliams and Admin. Assist. Mileham were present.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Scott Breeden, Sherry Meddick, Jeff Markell, Ed Amador, Judy Myers, Chay Peterson.

PUBLIC AND BOARD INPUT ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

Ed Amador spoke about parking alternatives if a problem arises with the present event parking south of Silverado Canyon Road.

Jeff Markell spoke on additional loads on Silverado Canyon Road and local traffic from the proposed Silverado Ranch (Holtz) development.

Director Evans mentioned a leadership-training workshop being held on October 13th that might be of interest to the Board. It teaches how to prevent problems, and work out conservation and safety issues.

**CLOSED SESSION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PURSUANT TO GOVT. CODE 54956.9(C)-
Potential litigation - 1 case**

Entered into Closed Session at 6:15 PM.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:30 PM

The Board voted to write a letter to the BOS to be delivered prior to the Sept 11th hearing expressing the District's concerns about water quality and preservation of arroyo toad habitat.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1st ACTION: Director Levy made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar with the Minutes of July 24, 2007 Regular Board Meeting, August 6, 2007 Special Board Meeting, August 13, 2007 Open Space & Trails Committee Meeting, June 19, 2007 Safety Committee Meeting, and Correspondence. Director Johnson seconded. Unanimously approved

PAYMENT OF DISTRICT BILLS

2nd ACTION: Director Hunt made a motion to approve payment of Transmittal 08-07A, Director compensation for the Regular Board meeting of July 24, 2007 to Directors, Evans, Hunt, Johnson, & Peterson. \$200.00 total. Director Peterson seconded. Unanimously approved.

3rd ACTION: Director Hunt made a motion to approve payment of Transmittal 08-07B, District Bills \$1,985.73 total. Director Johnson seconded. Unanimously approved.

4th ACTION: Director Hunt made a motion to approve payment of Transmittal 08-07C, Utility Bills, \$1,737.82. Director Johnson seconded. Unanimously approved.

SILVERADO CHILDREN'S CENTER

Aimee Bryer said the center's enrollment is the same. The new Fall program will begin Aug 30. Workdays are planned for the future and they are looking for volunteers to help with painting, removing old sand and an old climbing structure.

Andrew Edwards of Extron Electronics donated \$10,000 to the center toward new playground equipment. Dan Dulac of Baker Canyon Greenwaste has volunteered heavy equipment and workers to remove the old unsafe equipment and other structures. Director Bryer is working on a Home Depot grant.

There are Staff and Parent meetings planned in August, and the Center is going to participate in the Silverado Fair. This year's Summer Program was a great success. There is need of a replacement van for next year's Summer Program.

GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The Board was given a quote and amended contract from Clean Products (facility and janitorial supplies vendor) to review.

5th ACTION: Director Hunt made a motion to direct the Facilities Committee to evaluate the Clean Products proposal, with authorization to enter into the contract if they deem it suitable, noting that it has a thirty-day right of cancellation. Director Johnson seconded. Unanimously approved.

The solar panel grant funds authorization and possible additional funding are being actively pursued. The Modjeska Community Center wood floor has been restored, and a bulletin board will be found to replace the temporary one now in place.

CARETAKER'S REPORT

So far this month, \$275 in rentals has been received. Repair of the air conditioning in Silverado's Building B is being arranged. The Concert in the Park series has been going very well except for a small disturbance reported after the last event by individuals who arrived apparently under the influence. Steps will be taken to prevent any recurrence. Red Hot Chimney Sweep donated a very nice BBQ and Danny Brown's Sil-Mod Propane is donating the fuel needed for it.

OTHER DISTRICT BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING

Secretary Levy announced that this was the time and place of the Public Hearing to receive comments and testimony from the Public regarding the SMRPD Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Orange County Register on August 17 and 18, 2007, and the Affidavit of Publication/Proof of Publication is on file at the District Office at 27641 Silverado Canyon Road, Silverado 92676. A copy of the Proposed Budget was posted for Public Inspection at the Silverado Branch Library, 28192 Silverado Canyon Road, Silverado 92676 from August 16 to August 28, 2007.

There was no Public Comment. The Board briefly discussed anticipated rental income and Director Johnson moved for a vote on the Final Budget.

RESOLUTION 082807-1: To adopt the Final SMRPD FY 2007-2008 Budget. At the direction of President Hunt, Admin. Assistant Mileham conducted a Roll Call Vote of the Board: Director Hunt, AYE; Director Johnson; AYE; Director Peterson, AYE; Director Evans, AYE; Director Levy, AYE. Resolution was Adopted by unanimous vote of the Board.

Discussed contacting owners of undeveloped parcels that might be available for open-space preservation. The Board agreed that Director Levy should make the contacts and that a proposal letter would be drafted after consulting with open-space acquisition experts.

Director Evans made a request to HB&P Senior Park Ranger Vicky Malton asking if SMRPD could use the Howard House in the Fleming Wilderness area for occasional special events such as a planned Volunteer Appreciation Day. Ranger Malton replied favorably, asking for a written request from the Board to set the arrangements in place.

6th ACTION: Director Hunt made a motion to write a formal request to the County asking to use the Howard House for special events, on a per request basis. Director Peterson seconded. Unanimously approved.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

Director Evans- The Fall Brochure is nearing completion. Anyone having information for the brochure was asked to turn it in ASAP. Volunteers are needed for the Goat Shed Breakfast Hike September 22.

Director Johnson- There is a facility meeting coming up. Director Johnson is still working on the CAL-Card and is pricing new refrigerators for the community centers and the caretaker's residence.

Director Hunt – The Irvine Ranch Land Reserve Trust will be installing an alternate final leg at the top of the Mesa approach road in Silverado in order to keep the path open for equestrians, hikers and bicyclists. Due to repeat abuses of the restrictions against motorized vehicles, that sort of access will be further restricted. The road addition is being added on Kane Ranch property with their permission and cooperation to allow continued public access. The construction expense is being borne entirely by IRLRT.

Director Peterson - \$3,000 was donated to SMRPD for sound equipment for the scheduled Concerts in the Park and all future events. The money was raised at the Rockin' Jake concert organized by Zachary Dupre.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM. The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be at the Silverado Community Center, 27641 Silverado Canyon Road at 7:00PM on Tuesday September 25, 2007.