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SADDLE CREEK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT  
MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

April 17, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

The Saddle Creek Community Services District (CSD) Board of Directors held their monthly meeting on Tuesday April 17, 2012. President Marsden called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM in the Members Lounge and led Directors and staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Roll call indicated the following directors were present:

President:	Steve Marsden
Vice President:	Darlene DeBaldo
Secretary:	Sue Russ
Director	Charlie Robinson

Staff: The following staff members were present:

General Manager:	Charles Martin
Asst. Site Manager:	Ralph McGeorge
Clerk/Treasurer:	Phyllis Richards

Public:	Castle & Cooke	Dave Haley
	CCWD	Joone Lopez

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

M/ by Director Robinson and S/ by Director Russ to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2012. M/ passed unanimously.

CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF AGENDA:

None suggested.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

CONSENT CALENDAR: Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Board, Staff or a member of the public requests specific items to be set aside for separate action.

- a. M/ by Director Robinson and S/ by Director Russ to move approval of expenditures incurred by the district during the month of March.  
M/ passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: (Board will briefly address/respond/refer)

GM Martin indicated that we received a letter from LAFCO which indicates the Board will be voting for a new LAFCO officer next month.

### OLD BUSINESS

None

### NEW BUSINESS

- a. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION: CCWD (Calaveras County Water District) General Manager Joone Lopez briefed the Board on the current water quality issues between CCWD and the State Regional Water Board.

The State of California levied a fine of \$48,000 for allegedly inadequately treated water that was allowed to flow into the ponds here at Saddle Creek Golf Resort.

President Marsden stated that the Board was disappointed hearing about the fine through the news rather than having heard about it directly from Ms. Lopez. He felt that there was a lack of communication on the CCWD's part and the Board was not happy about it.

Ms. Lopez stated that they had been in contact with Mr. Haley and he was fully aware of the problem from the onset, and that it was not their intention to keep the fine from the Board. President Marsden advised Ms. Lopez that Mr. Haley works for Castle and Cooke, and is not on the Board of Directors for Saddle Creek Community Service and that communicating with Mr. Haley does not constitute communicating with the Board. Ms. Lopez apologized to the Board and stated that yes; she should have come directly to the Board and advised them of the problem. Going forward, she will keep in contact with the Board directly.

Evidently the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board said treated water funneling into the golf course exceeded acceptable limits of chlorine, ammonia, coliform and methane.

Ms. Lopez advised the Board that the violations were a result of inaccurate lab testing and two conflicting permits. The two permits have conflicting treatment requirements, one requiring the district to use chlorine to treat water, and the other prohibits byproducts commonly found in chlorine. Based on this they have appealed the fine. They have a meeting set for May 1 to discuss resolving this issue. They have also received a Time Sensitive Order (TSO) which gives them 4 years to comply.

The Board also reviewed the CCWD and Saddle Creek Agreement which states that they can use Tertiary Water everywhere but the wet land. Director Robinson stated that if the Board decided they could control the release of the Tertiary Water as stated in the agreement. Our ponds are currently in the best shape ever, there is no smell at all. It is the general feeling around Saddle Creek that the ponds smell when the Tertiary Water is released. Ms. Lopez stated that the water is only released during the months of June, July and August. Director Robinson stated that if the CCWD assures that using the treated water will not cause problems and it does, the Board will tell them to stop using the treated water. Ms. Lopez stated that if there is a problem it will be addressed immediately.

The Board requested that a copy of the test result that resulted in the fine be sent to Site Manager Greg Hebard, which Ms. Lopez agreed to do. Ms. Lopez also invited the Board to come to their plant for a tour.

GM Martin confirmed that should there be any further issues, CCWD will contact the Board immediately, and Ms. Lopez agreed to come back to the June 19<sup>th</sup> meeting to update the Board. If after the June meeting the Board still wants a study session can be set up which would include a tour of CCWD plant.

## STAFF REPORTS

Asst. Site Manager: Ralph confirmed per the Boards requested last month, Linda Beck (Special Events Director) has given a copy of her Events Calendar to the Gate House.

Also the requested “No Soliciting” and “25 Mile and Hour” signs have all been ordered. The “Children at Play Sign” has been received and will be

installed within the next week or two. A bill for the sign has been sent to Mr. Roberts.

Director Robinson would also like the sign that is located directly outside the gate that reads "No Right Turn" be moved to inside the gate, this is the sign that Mrs. Portfolio has also requested be moved. Ralph stated that it will be done.

Director Robinson also wanted to know when we will start spraying and mowing. Ralph stated that they will start spraying this Thursday. Hopefully they will start moving the vacant lots very shortly, as soon as they start turning yellow.

President Marsden wanted to know if we could put a notice in Linda Becks e-mail advising that mosquito season is upon us and the residence should not have standing water. It was agreed that either Ralph or Greg will write something up and ask Linda to put it in her e-mail.

General Manager: None

#### DIRECTORS REPORTS:

President Marsden - None

V/President DeBaldo - None

Secretary Russ - None

Director Lazarus - Absent

Director Robinson - None

ADJOURNMENT – Having no further business, President Marsden adjourned the meeting at 3:10PM. Due to the fact that there will not be a quorum for next months scheduled meeting of May 15<sup>th</sup>, the next CSD’s board meeting date will be May 22, 2012.

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Phyllis Richards, CSD Clerk/Treasurer

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Charles Martin, General Manager

APPROVED BY:

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Steve Marsden, Board President

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Sue Russ, Board Secretary

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