



# Ventura County Special Districts Association

## VCSDA MEETING MINUTES

*Approved*

Date: 8/6/2024  
 Motion: Elaine Magner  
 Second: George Lange

### Tuesday, April 2, 2024

#### VENTURA COUNTY SPECIAL DISTRICTS

#### MEMBERS

- Bell Canyon Community Services District
- Blanchard/Santa Paula Public Library District
- Calleguas Municipal Water District
- Camarillo Health Care District
- Camrosa Water District
- Casitas Municipal Water District
- Channel Islands Beach Community Services District
- Conejo Recreation & Park District
- Hidden Valley Municipal Water District
- Ojai Valley Sanitary District
- Oxnard Harbor District
- Pleasant Valley County Water District
- Pleasant Valley Recreation & Parks District
- Rancho Simi Recreation & Parks District
- Saticoy Sanitary District
- Triunfo Water and Sanitation District
- United Water Conservation District
- Ventura Port District
- Ventura River Water District

The April 2, 2024 meeting of the Ventura County Special District Association was held at Camarillo Health Care District.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. President Ralston asked George Lange with Conejo Recreation and Park to lead the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Ralston welcomed everyone to the meeting and roll was called:

Members in attendance included: (10 of 19 Districts participating)

**Calleguas Municipal Water:** Maya Holcomb, Charlotte Holifield, Kristine McCaffrey, Scott Quady, Thibault Robert, Megan Schneider

**Camarillo Health Care:** Neal Dixon, Kara Ralston, Michelle Rogers, Brandie Thomas

**Camrosa Water:** Andrew Nelson

**Conejo Recreation and Park:** Nellie Cusworth, Jim Friedl, George Lange

**Oxnard Harbor:** Mike Barber, Andrew Rodriguez, Mary Anne Rooney

**Pleasant Valley Recreation and Parks:** Elaine Magner, Mark Malloy, Mary Otten

**Rancho Simi Recreation and Parks:** Elaine Freeman, Kate O'Brien

**United Water Conservation:** Mohammed Hasan, Steve Huber

**Ventura Port:** Brian Pendleton

**Ventura River Water:** Bruce Kuebler

Members of the Public attending:

**CSDA -** Richelle Noroyan

**The KYA Group -** Anthony Acosta

**LAFCo -** Kai Luoma

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 6, 2024

Motion to approve the Minutes from the February 6, 2024 membership meeting, Elaine Magner; Second, Elaine Freeman; Voice vote: All in favor, none opposed. Motion carries unanimously.

#### 3. TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Pendleton reported on the February 2024 balance sheets. March 2024 will be added to the next meeting. He informed members that VCSDA transitioning banks from Wells Fargo to City National Bank is complete.

President—Kara Ralston  
 Vice President—Jacque McMillan

Treasurer—Brian Pendleton  
 Secretary—Brandie Thomas

#### **4. DINNER SPONSOR**

Anthony Acosta with The KYA Group gave a presentation on the comprehensive and sustainable solutions the company offers with facility modernization, through project management, design, and maintenance services. As specialized contractors, The KYA Group provides cost effective solutions to meet sustainability needs by incorporating systems for energy solutions, improving air quality, water conservation, safety and security solutions, and more.

#### **5. GUEST SPEAKER**

President Ralston introduced speaker, Kristine McCaffrey, General Manager with Calleguas Municipal Water District . McCaffrey provided a brief history of Calleguas MWD, since its formation in 1953. She discussed their water supply sources and map outlining areas included in their water distribution system. She highlighted their water use efficiency partnerships, which include the Metropolitan's Member Agency Administered Program, Turf Replacement Rebates, and Water-Saving Device Rebates. She also mentioned the Water Resource Implementation Strategy (WRIST), where they are currently conducting workshops to improve water supply resilience through partnerships and regional collaborations to develop water supply, storage, and programs.

#### **6. REPORTS**

**CSDA Report** - CSDA President Elaine Magner informed members CSDA is accepting award nominations for Board Member of the Year and General Manager of the Year. The deadline is May 1, 2024. She announced the newest Certified Special District General Manager, Brian Pendleton, with Ventura Port District. She welcomed members to participant the SDLF.

**CSDA Update** - Richelle Noroyan with CSDA introduced herself to the members and gave a brief overview of her work history and experience. Noroyan referred members to the Take Action Brief and discussed current calls to action, urging districts to support by writing letters to their congressional representatives. She reminded members that Special Districts Legislative Days are coming up, May 21-22, 2024.

**Legislative Update** - Director Freeman provided an overview of the legislative report and highlighted AB 1890, AB 2302, SB 937, and SB 1210 and a follow up report will be emailed out to members.

**LAFCo Update** - Executive Director of Ventura County LAFCo reported at their next meeting held April 17th they will present the proposed budget. After it is adopted, they will inform the districts.

#### **7. NEW BUSINESS/MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Nothing reported.

President Ralston adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m. to the next VCSDA meeting **on June 4, 2024.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Brandie Thomas*

Brandie Thomas, Secretary to VCSDA