



**VENTURA COUNTY
SPECIAL DISTRICTS**

- Bell Canyon Community Services
- Calleguas Municipal Water
- Camarillo Health Care
- Camrosa Water
- Casitas Municipal Water
- Channel Islands Beach Community Services
- Conejo Recreation & Park
- County of Ventura Auditor—Controller *
- Hidden Valley Municipal Water
- Meiners Oaks County Water
- Montalvo Municipal Improvements
- Ojai Valley Sanitary
- Oxnard Harbor
- Pleasant Valley County Water
- Pleasant Valley Recreation & Parks
- Rancho Simi Recreation & Parks
- Saticoy Sanitary
- Triunfo Water and Sanitation District
- United Water Conservation
- Ventura County Resource Conservation
- Ventura Port
- Ventura Regional Sanitation *

**VCSDA
MINUTES
Tuesday, February 4, 2020**
Sterling Hills Country Club
Camarillo CA

*Approved
Minutes*

Approved: _____
 Date: _____
 Motion: _____
 Second: _____

The Meeting of the Ventura County Special District Association was held at Sterling Hills Country Club, 901 Sterling Hills, Camarillo, CA 93010

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Thom Slosson, followed by the flag salute.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS/ROLL CALL: Thom Slosson

Thom Slosson welcomed everyone to the meeting. Attendees included:

- Richard Levy, Dennis Zine – Bell Canyon Community Services District*
- Francine Castanon-California Consulting*
- Thom Slosson, Andres Santamaria, Scott Quady, Tony Goff, Kayde Wade, Kara Wade - Calleguas Municipal Water District*
- Rod Brown, Linda Brown - Camarillo Health Care District*
- Al Fox, Cindy Fox - Camrosa Water District*
- Bob Nast - Channel Island Beach Community Services*
- George Lange, Judy Lange, Nellie Cusworth, Doug Nickles, Jim Friedl, Susan Holt, Ed Holt, Tex Ward, Susan Ward, Chuck Huffer - Conejo Recreation & Park District*
- Chris Palmer - California Special Districts*
- Marilyn Irkliewskij, David Atkins, Daylean Atkins - Montalvo Community Services District*
- Steve Qulilici - Ojai Valley Sanitary District*
- Mark Malloy, Kathleen Malloy, Mike Mishler, Marcy Nunn, Mary Otten, Heather Roberts, Elaine Magner, Neal Dixon, Robert Kelly - Pleasant Valley Recreation & Park District*
- Elaine Freeman, Jack Freeman, Dan Paranick, Kathleen O'Brien, Theresa Pennington, Tracy Engle, Sandee Covone - Rancho Simi Recreation & Park District*
- Bruce Dandy, Daniel Naumann, Mauricio Guardado - United Water Conservation District*
- Jim Acosta, Maria Acosta - Ventura Regional Sanitation*
- Bert Rapp, Bruce Kuebler, Marvin Hanson - Ventura River Water District*
- Joe Edmiston – State of California-Natural Resources Agency - Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy - Speaker*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES of December 10, 2019: Thom Slosson

Motion by George Lange, Seconded by Bruce Kuebler, to approve the December 10, 2019 minutes. Motion carried.

President—Thom Slosson
Vice President—Al Fox

Treasurer—Mark Malloy
Secretary to the Board—Kara Wade

TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented by Rodger Brown

Beginning Balance as of 12/09/19 was \$14,451.09. Ending Balance as of 01/28/20 was \$14,062.47. *Motion* by Bruce Dandy, *seconded* by Elaine Magner to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. *Motion carried.*

AWARD PRESENTATIONS:

Elaine Freeman and Elaine Magner presented the award for Director of the Year to Chuck Huffer from Conejo Recreation and Park District and General Manager of the Year to Mary Otten from Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CSDA Report and Legislative Update : Chris Palmer, interim Field Coordinator, said that they will select a new Field Coordinator by April 1, 2020. He mentioned Senate Bill 45, Wildfire Prevention, Safe Drinking Water, Drought Preparation and Flood Protection Bond requesting input from Special Districts. Elaine Freeman talked about Development Mitigation.

Ventura LAFCo Update: Elaine Freeman, Ventura LAFCo Board Member, said that there was no update.

County Oversight Board Update: Mike Mishler presented a handout regarding Properties for Sale and Administration Budgets.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS: Elaine Magner and Elaine Freeman requested a vote to approve \$2000.00 from VCSDA reserves for two \$1000.00 scholarships to be used for CSDA sponsored training. George Lange asked if this would be an annual or one time request . Elaine Magner stated it is a one time request.

Motion by Bruce Dandy, *seconded* by Elaine Magner to approve two \$1000.00 Scholarships for CSDA Sponsored Training. *Motion carried.*

PRESENTATION: Joe T. Edmiston, Executive Director for the State of California Natural Resources Agency Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, gave an informative presentation regarding the Joint Powers Act (JPA) which allows two or more public agencies to create a third independent agency through a joint powers agreement. He said that JPAs are beneficial to Special Districts to help create community places for all to use. Monies from grants can preserve historical structures and sites as well as provide community soccer fields. He believes these partnerships should be created statewide. In 2011 Conejo Recreation and Parks District and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy formed a JPA which helped to preserve a historical site. JPAs can benefit Mello Roos Districts, which are special districts established by local governments in California as a means of obtaining additional public funding for facilities, public improvements and services.

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS: Bruce Dandy said that United Water Conservation District will hold a Summit on February 28, 2020. George Lange encouraged everyone to visit the newly opened Healing Garden, in honor of the 12 victims of the Borderline shooting, located at Conejo Creek North Park.

ADJOURNMENT TO NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be on April 7, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kara L. Wade

Kara Wade, Secretary to VCSDA