



SANTA CLARA COUNTY SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

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Santa Clara County Special Districts Association

Monday, September 14, 2020

12:00–1:30 p.m.

Join via Zoom Web Conferencing: <https://valleywater.zoom.us/j/95171130466>;
Dial-in: +16699009128, 95171130466#

- A. **Call to Order**
Welcome and Introductions
- B. **Public Comment:**
Opportunity for members of the public to make comments or ask questions (3 minutes/speaker)
- C. **Approval of Minutes**
Discussion and Approval of June 1, 2020 Meeting Minutes - **Page 2 (Action)**
- D. **SCCSDA Guest Presentation:**
State Senator Jim Beall, District 15
- E. **State Legislative Office Updates:**
Opportunity to hear updates and ask questions of attending legislative staff.
- F. **Business**
 - 1. Financial Report - **Page 5 (Discussion and Action)**
- G. **Partner Agency Reports**
 - 1. Local Agency Formation Commission - Neelima Palacherla, Executive Officer
 - 2. League of California Cities – Seth Miller, Peninsula Representative
 - 3. California Special Districts Association - Colleen Haley, Bay Area Network Field Coordinator
- H. **Santa Clara County Special District Association Member Reports**
- I. **Review of Action Items and Adjournment**
 - 1. Action Item Review
 - 2. The next meeting is scheduled for: **Monday, December 7, 2020**
 - 3. Adjourn

Officers: Steve Wesolowski, Chair • Stephanie Moreno, Vice-Chair • Tony Estremera, Secretary/Treasurer

Members: Cupertino Sanitary District • El Camino Healthcare District • Guadalupe Coyote Resource Conservation District • Loma Prieta Resource Conservation District • Los Altos Hills County Fire District • Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District • Purissima Hills Water District • Rancho Rinconada Recreation & Park District • San Martin County Water District • Santa Clara County Central Fire Protection District • Santa Clara County Roads & Airports • Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority • Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority • Santa Clara Valley Water District • Saratoga Cemetery District • Saratoga Fire Protection District • South Santa Clara County Fire District • South Santa Clara Valley Memorial District • West Bay Sanitary District • West Valley Sanitation District of Santa Clara County



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C. Meeting Minutes

Santa Clara County Special Districts Association
Monday, June 1, 2020
12:00pm–1:30 p.m.

Valley Water
Administration Building in Conference Room B-108
5750 Almaden Expressway
San Jose, CA 95118

Join via Zoom Web Conferencing: <https://zoom.us/j/8184155738>;
Dial-in: 1-720-707-2699, Code 8184155738#

- A. **Call to Order (12:03)** By: Steve Wesolowski
Welcome and Introductions

Santa Clara County Special District Association Attendees:

- Rancho Rinconada Recreation & Park District: Steve Wesolowski
- Guadalupe-Coyote Resource Conservation District: Stephanie Moreno
- Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District: Yoriko Kishimoto, Joshua Hugg (staff)
- Santa Clara LAFCO: Neelima Palacherla
- Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water): Tony Estremera, Linda LeZotte, and Rick Callender
- CalFire: Dwight Good
- Los Altos Hills Fire District: J.Logan
- Saratoga Cemetery District: Vicky Bosworth
- South Santa Clara Valley Memorial District: Christine West
- Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority: Sequoia Hall, Lea Rauscher (staff)
- Santa Clara County Fire: Brian Glass
- Saratoga Fire District, Joe Long

SCCSDA support staff: Kathy Nguyen (Valley Water), Lisa Flores (Valley Water), Domingo Candelas (Valley Water), and Don Rocha (Valley Water)

Other attendees: CSDA Colleen Haley, Anurag Pal (Asm. Kansen Chu), Doug Muirhead

- B. **Public Comment:**
Opportunity for members of the public to make comments or ask questions (3 minutes/speaker)

No Public Comments.

- C. **Approval of Minutes**
Discussion and Approval of June 1, 2020 Meeting Minutes -
Minutes were approved as submitted.

- D. **SCCSDA Member Presentations:**



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1. Representative for Santa Clara County Supervisor Susan Ellenberg, Christine Rutherford-Stuart, Policy Aide

Christine Rutherford-Stuart provided an updated on behalf of Supervisor Susan Ellenberg on COVID-19 and the County's pandemic response.

E. State Legislative Office Updates:

Opportunity to hear updates and ask questions of attending legislative staff.

Anurag Pal (Asm. Kansen Chu) provided an updated on the State budget. He also highlighted the following bills that related to COVID-19: AB 291 (creates a special fund for emergencies), AB 1107 (requires counties to provide materials in different languages based on constituent need), and AB 398 (provides dedicate funding to schools and counties through employee tax).

F. Business

1. Financial Report - **Page 7 (Discussion and Action)**

Action: S. Wesolowski moved to approve, S. Hall seconded; approved unanimously.

G. Partner Agency Reports

1. **Local Agency Formation Commission - Neelima Palacherla, Executive Officer**

Neelima Palacherla announced the next Commission meeting for June 3, 2020 and will have the final budget after it is approved by the Commission. Furthermore, the Controller's Office will be sending out the budget to Cities and the County. The operating expenses are 14% lower than in 2019. She also shared that the spatial study on Rancho Rinconada Recreation District has been put on hold.

2. **California Special Districts Association – Colleen Haley**

Colleen Haley reminded everyone about the letter request regarding state funding and will be sending out letter for federal funding for COVID. She also reminded everyone about the video contest that is currently taking place and informed everyone about CSDA's new email system. She warns about the one-year delay on property taxes and its effect on special districts.

H. Santa Clara County Special District Association Member Reports

1. **Rancho Rinconada Recreation & Park District--- Steve Wesolowski**

Steve Wesolowski stated District facilities are currently closed in accordance with the Santa Clara County Department of Public Health Covid-19 guidelines. The district is well-managed and funded: it will re-open as soon as as allowed by County Health Department guidelines.

2. **Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority---Sequoia Hall**



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Sequoia Hall informed the SCCSDA that trails have been kept open during COVID using social distancing measures and will continue to serve the public.

3. Guadalupe-Coyote Resource Conservation District---Stephanie Moreno

Stephanie Moreno asked for Volunteers to sit on the SCCSDA Bylaws Committee and asked for volunteers. An email reminder will be sent to the group.

4. Los Altos Hills Fire District—J. Logan

J. Logan mentioned that the Fire District is fully engaged in vegetation and fire prevention and working with partners to meet the needs.

5. South Santa Clara Valley Memorial District--Christine West

Christine West provided an update on the status of South Santa Clara Valley Memorial District and the large-scale impacts of COVID on the Memorial District. Currently, they are working on infrastructure improvements and providing resources to individuals in need.

6. Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority---Lea Rauscher

Lea Rauscher provided an update on staff's critical work.

7. Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District –Yoriko Kishimoto

Yoriko Kishimoto provided an update on the various preserves and the difficulty of working in two counties.

8. Valley Water—Director and Treasurer Tony Estremera

Tony Estremera provided an update on Valley Water operations and the transition to virtual meetings. He also shared the news of the recent appointment of Rick Callender as Valley Water's new CEO.

9. Saratoga Cemetery District—Vicky Bosworth

Vicky Bosworth provided a brief status report on the Cemetery District.

I. Review of Action Items and Adjournment

Next meeting is Monday September 14th, meeting adjourned 1:00PM



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F1. Financial Report

Balance as of 06/30/2020	\$4,168.27
Deposition on 7/23:	\$100.00
Balance on hand as of 07/31/2020	<u>\$4,286.27</u>