

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Avila Beach Community Services District
Tuesday, August 13, 2024
1:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Kelley called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Avila Beach Community Services District, to order at 1:05 P.M. on the above date, in the Avila Beach Community Services District Building, 100 San Luis Street, Avila Beach, California.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present	Pete Kelley Howie Kennett John Janowicz Ara Najarian - Remote Kristin Berry
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Board Members Absent:

Staff Present:	Brad Hagemann, General Manager & District Engineer Kristi Dibbern, Office Manager
Operations:	Shawn Powell, Chief Plant Operator
Legal Counsel:	Shannon DeNatale Boyd via Zoom

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

4. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. County Reports

Sheriff's Report: Sheriff MacDonald reported 46 calls for service last month. Thirteen preventive patrol stops, 13 disturbances, and three suspicious circumstances were investigated. Two vandalisms were reported, as well as, two thefts. Seventeen enforcement stops also occurred. Two petty thefts were reported but the value was less than \$950 each. Avila residents called in five loud music complaints. Sheriff MacDonald asked residents to please report non-emergency incidents to 805-781-5850 and press "3" when prompted.

Cal Fire: Chief Lee reported 59 calls for service and 32 were medically related. Chief Lee noted that hand crews are continuing to work in areas around Shell Beach, Pismo Beach and Avila to reduce vegetation. The fuel reduction will help better protect our community from fast-moving wildland fire.

The Avila Foundation has granted money for a hose pick up machine. This equipment will drastically reduce the time it takes to recoil the long hoses used on fires. Over the next month the Fire Safe Council will be evaluating evacuation routes with CAL FIRE in our area and statewide.

5. CONSENT ITEMS

Director Janowicz made a motion to approve the Consent Items. It was seconded by Director Berry and passed with a roll call vote 5-0.

AYES: John Janowicz
 Kristin Berry
 Howie Kennett
 Pete Kelley
 Ara Najarian

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

6. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM

NO COMMENTS.

7. CLOSED SESSION

The Board convened to closed session at 1:20PM to discuss the following items:

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

**Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2).
Number of cases: One.**

8. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION/ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION, IF ANY, TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

The Board returned to regular session at 1:42 PM.

No reportable action was taken by the Board of Directors.

9. DISCUSSION OF PULLED CONSENT ITEMS: None

10. BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. Regional Water Quality Control Board, June 27, 2024, Expedited Payment Letter for the WWTP effluent violations. GM Hagemann summarized the staff report and responded to questions by the Board members. The Board concurred with staff's recommendation and directed staff to continue working with the Water Board to participate in the Expedited Payment Program as the most cost-effective solution for the District under these circumstances.

B. Consider Awarding a Contract to CJ Brown and Company for Completion of the FY 2024/25 Financial Audit Report. After some discussion, Director Kennett made a motion to award a contract to CJ Brown for completion of the FY 2024/25 Audit, with the option to secure their services in one-year increments up to a maximum of four years. Director Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote 5-0.

AYES: Howie Kennett
 Kristin Berry
 Ara Najarian
 John Janowicz
 Pete Kelley

NOES: None


ABSENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:15 PM.

NEXT MEETING September 10th, 2024, at 1:00PM.

These minutes are not official nor a permanent part of the records until approved by the Board of Directors at their next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,


Brad Hagemann, PE
General Manager