



# Oceano Community Services District

## Summary Minutes

Regular Meeting Wednesday, May 26, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.

Location: TELECONFERENCE

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** at approximately 6:00 p.m. by President Austin
2. **ROLL CALL:** Board members present: President Austin, Vice President White, Director Gibson, Director Villa and Director Replogle. Staff present: General Manager Will Clemens, Business and Accounting Manager Carey Casciola and Jeff Minnery, Legal Counsel.
3. **FLAG SALUTE:** led by President Austin.
4. **AGENDA REVIEW:**  
Agenda approved as presented with a motion from Vice President White and a second from Director Replogle; 5-0 vote.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:**

Erica Andrade of Five Cities Hope	Requested the OCSD fly the pride flag at the office in the month of June for Pride Month.
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## 6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS:

### A. STAFF REPORTS:

- i. **Sheriff's South Station** – Commander Jay Wells – Absent
- ii. **FCFA** - Chief Steve Lieberman – Absent
- iii. **Operations** - Utility Systems Manager - Tony Marraccino - Lopez is at 36.8% full which is 18,517 AF. Continuing with daily & weekly rounds; weekly and monthly samples; 8 work orders; 2 USAs; 5 customer service calls; 4 after hours call out; 0 SSO's. CCR's (annual consumer confidence water quality report) will be included in the June bills and will also be posted to the website. Tank 1 was inspected and repaired. Called out for a water line break and a lift station power outage. Continuing with trash pick-up and hydrant maintenance. Completed meter reading and comment codes (high/low and leaks). Doug (Utility Operator) passed his D2 test.
- iv. **OCSD General Manager** – Will Clemens – Staff has continued to negotiate language for the Prop 1 Grant. The UAL refunding should finalize on June 3, 2021. The County Board of Supervisors (BOS) commissioned a study on the financial impacts of pulling out of Integrated Waste Management Authority (IWMA); The OCSD GM provided comments that the study needs to also look at the impacts to special districts and encouraged other local special districts to do the same. The Board of Supervisors choose not to include special districts in the study and their decision could possibly come in August.

Jeff Minnery, OCSD Legal Counsel – Provided an update regarding the fire tax based on more recent lawsuits; special tax initiatives only require voter approval of 50% plus 1. Before there was some uncertainty if the courts were going to require 2/3<sup>rd</sup> voter approval on citizen initiatives.

### B. BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OUTSIDE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- i. Director Villa – Reported on the 5/20/2021 Oceano Advisory Council (OAC).
- ii. Director Gibson – Reported on the 5/20/2021 Zone 3 Advisory Committee Meeting.
- iii. Vice President White – Reported on the 5/24/2021 Five Cities Fire Authority (FCFA).
- iv. Director Replogle – Reported on the BOS IWMA item and provided public comment as an individual not to proceed with withdrawing from the IWMA and to consider the impacts to special districts.
- v. President Austin – None

### C. PUBLIC COMMENT ON SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

None

<b>7. CONSENT AGENDA:</b>	<b>ACTION:</b>
<p>a) Review and Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting of April 21, 2021.</p> <p>b) Review of Cash Disbursements.</p>	<p>After an opportunity for public comment, Board and staff discussion, a motion was made by Director Gibson to approve the consent agenda items as presented with a second from Vice President White and a 5-0 roll call vote.</p> <p>Public Comment: None</p>

<b>8A. BUSINESS ITEM:</b>	<b>ACTION:</b>
<p>Presentation by One Cool Earth regarding their "Earth Genius" program at Oceano Elementary School.</p>	<p>Board and staff received a presentation from One Cool Earth's Victoria Carranza, Executive Director and Mary Barnhill, Garden Educator Manager for Oceano &amp; Shell Beach Elementary.</p> <p>Public Comment: None</p>

<b>8B. BUSINESS ITEM:</b>	<b>ACTION:</b>
<p>Workshop on the 2021-2022 Budget with Board direction as deemed appropriate.</p>	<p>After an opportunity for public comment, Board and staff discussion, a motion to accept the preliminary budget and set a public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Preliminary Budget for June 23, 2021, was made by Vice President White with a second from Director Gibson and a 4-1 roll call vote. Director Repogle dissented noting she opposes continuing deficit spending to fund the Five Cities Fire Authority.</p> <p>Public Comment: Brenda Lowe – Commented in support of finding ways to continue Oceano's participation in Five Cities Fire Authority and is part of a private citizens group exploring a proposed initiative. Encourages anyone interested to contact the group with input and suggestions.</p>

9. **HEARING ITEMS:** None

10. **RECEIVED WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None

11. **LATE RECEIVED WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None

12. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** Deferred Infrastructure Program (as needed), Lopez Water Contract Amendments (Late 2021), Wastewater CIP (Future year), The Place (As directed), Old Firehouse Art (June 2021), California Voting Rights Act (Mid to late 2021), District Flag Policy/ Pride Month (As directed), Social Media Policy/ Live Stream Board Meetings (As directed), Bill insert/ mailing policy (As directed), Letter to IWMA regarding Special District Representative/Alternate with a letter to SLO County regarding pulling out of the IWMA (May/ June 2021), OCSD Policies & Procedures review (As directed), CSDA Transparency Certification (As directed)

Director Repogle requested for the District Flag Policy be discussed at the first meeting in June.

Director Villa requested that the record reflect that she would like the Pride flag to fly for at least one week.

Director Gibson, Vice President White and President Austin requested to remove the District Flag Policy from Future Agenda Items.

Director Gibson requested a future item on the potential drought and the impacts.

13. **FUTURE HEARING ITEMS:** None
14. **CLOSED SESSION:** None
15. **ADJOURNMENT:** at approximately 7:25 pm