Tom Fayram, President Julie Kennedy, Vice President Lisa Palmer, Director Greg Parks, Director Nina Stormo, Director



# LOS OLIVOS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT PO TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING November 14, 2023 – 4:00 PM St Mark's in the Valley Episcopal Church 2901 Nojoqui Ave, Los Olivos CA 93441 Please observe decorum and instructions from the Subcommittee Chair

Subcommittee Members: President Fayram (Chair), Directors Parks, and General Manager Guy Savage

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# **MEETING AGENDA**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

#### 2. ROLL CALL

# 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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# 4. MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the minutes from September 7, 2023.

#### **BUSINESS ITEMS:**

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# 5. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON REGEN 30% ENGINEERING DESIGN HYBRID COLLECTION CONTRACT

The Subcommittee will discuss progress of the contract with REGEN related to complete a 30% engineering design of a hybrid collection solution. Any issues raised by the contract will also be discussed.

#### 6. DISCUSSION OF PAVING OCCURING IN LOS OLIVOS AND POSSIBLE USE OF THE STREET BY THE DISTRICT

A member of the public notified the District that there is some potential new paving of a street within the District and asked about the potential use of the street for District activities. The Subcommittee will discuss the email and related technical issues.

# 7. DISCUSSION OF TREATMENT OPTIONS

The Subcommittee will discuss options for the treatment of wastewater for the District. Given the Regen contract, this discussion will focus heavily on Treatment options, including Membrane Bioreactor (MBR), connection to Solvang's treatment plant, and other solutions previously brought up by members of the public.

# 8. GENERAL DISCUSSION OF COLLECTION, TREATMENT, AND DISPOSAL OPTIONS

The Subcommittee will discuss options for the collection, treatment, and disposal of wastewater for the District. Given the Regen contract, this discussion will focus heavily on Treatment options, including Membrane Bioreactor (MBR), connection to Solvang's treatment plant, and other solutions previously brought up by members of the public.

# 9. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELLS GRANT AND WELL INSTALLATION AND TESTING

The Subcommittee will discuss progress of the grant and/or implementation of three new groundwater monitoring wells and related wells testing. See the October 16, 2023 Regular Meeting agenda for the LOCSD Board of Directors for more details:

<u>https://www.losolivoscsd.com/files/211066245/2023-10-16+Packet+Los+Olivos+CSD+Regular+Meeting.pdf</u> Discussion may cover finalizing locations of new wells, project coordination, subcontractors, County coordination, regulator interactions, and other activities related to the implementation and testing of the three new wells and testing of the District's two existing wells.

#### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

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# **10. SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

Subcommittee members will give reports on any meetings that they attended on behalf of the Subcommittee and/or choose to comment on various Subcommittee activities. Subcommittee member requests for future agenda items may also be made at this time.

# **11. ADJOURNMENT**

# **ITEM 4 – MINUTES**

Tom Fayram, President Brad Ross, Vice President Julie Kennedy, Director Lisa Palmer, Director Greg Parks, Director



LOS OLIVOS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT P TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING September 7, 2023 – 4:30 PM St Mark's in the Valley Episcopal Church 2901 Nojoqui Ave, Los Olivos CA 93441 Please observe decorum and instructions from the Subcommittee Chair

Subcommittee Members: President Fayram (Chair), Vice President Ross, and General Manager Guy Savage

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# **MEETING AGENDA**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at: 4:30 PM.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Attending: President Fayram (Chair), Vice President Ross, General Manager Savage Absent: None

# 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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**President Fayram opens the floor to public comment.** Public Comment: None

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#### 4. MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the minutes from July 21, 2023.

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President Fayram opens the floor to public comment. Public Comment: No comments.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes of July 21, 2023. Motion by: Vice President Ross, Second: President Fayram

Voice vote: (3-0) All in favor.

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### 5. DISCUSSION OF COLLECTION, TREATMENT, AND DISPOSAL OPTIONS

Using the attached presentation slides, the Subcommittee will discuss options for the collection, treatment, and disposal of wastewater for the District.

GM Savage introduces the item. He notes that MNS is still reworking the Hybrid Collection Solution slide deck. However, he notes that he did make some minor changes to clarify that neither Mattei's nor the LO School are being removed from the District; instead, the final approach to be used is still not being recommended by the Technical Subcommittee. GM Savage adds that he expects to see Mattei's and LO School as Zones 7 and 8 on the next version of the deck.

President Fayram describes the hybrid collection solution versus the treatment that will be required. He notes that the one option that should probably be revisited is connecting to Solvang would make sense. President Fayram notes he sees both positives and negatives. The big benefit of Solvang has to do with siting of a treatment plant (or plants), permitting, operations, and so on. One big downside is related to the impact on the Alamo Pintado corridor. GM Savage piggybacks that he sees that there will be some time while REGEN (assuming they are put on contract) completes their work. President Fayram adds that there is still time to talk with LO Elementary School and how they want to be included. VP Ross shares his thinking that we need to be careful with the REGEN contract. Given that it is item 6, his detailed commentary is pushed until that item is heard.

# President Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Public Comment: Tom Nelson speaks.

President Fayram responds to public comment adding that Coberg, Oregon is an incorporated city. He adds that a connection to Solvang was discussed early on after the district was formed.

# 6. DISCUSSION OF A CONTRACT WITH REGEN TO COMPLETE A 30% DESIGN ON THE HYBRID COLLECTION SOLUTION.

The Subcommittee will discuss requirements of a contract with REGEN related to completing a 30% design of the hybrid collection solution. Scope for the REGEN contract is anticipated to be commensurate with the Stantec 30% design for a gravity-fed collection system and include:

- 1. Completion of a 30% design on the Board reviewed (see attached) hybrid collection solution.
- 2. Recommendations / value engineering for cost improvements, operational efficiencies, or design efficiencies.
- 3. Evaluation of capital and maintenance costs for 30% design of the hybrid collection solution, including capital costs for STEP tanks in Zones 3, 4, and 5 (approximately 108 parcels).
- 4. Evaluation of proximity of drinking water lines to proposed hybrid collection solution wastewater lines.
- 5. Cost estimates for a generic Advanced Onsite treatment system for parcels listed as being in Zone 6 on the hybrid collection solution (approximately 75 parcels).

GM Savage introduces the item. He describes the on-going contract development with Tristian Bounds, REGEN and his expectation that a "final" contract will be on the September 13, 2023 agenda for the full Board of Directors' review and possible approval.

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President Fayram notes that he was hoping to see a site visit more clearly called out. He adds that it is important to note in the contract that the District owns the final product. President Fayram would also like to see some clarity around permitting from the County and CCRWQCB. He wants to be sure that a notice to proceed is not issued until funding is found or the full Board decides to spend district funds on the effort. President Fayram adds that the hybrid solution includes gravity sewer collection, effluent sewer, and advanced on-site collection and treatment. He closes with his concerns that by cutting out parcels, the district may end up with a more expensive solution and a concern about what might happen should the district own the effluent sewer tanks on private parcels.

VP Ross asks if timelines are known. President Fayram responds saying that there is preparation work he can do prior to a visit, which Mr. Bounds has stated that he will not be able to visit the community until October 16, 2023. VP Ross notes that the scope of work does not include a look at combination of zones. For example, do we want combine zones 1 and 2? Discussion ensues about efficiency evaluation, particularly from a funding perspective, and who could perform that evaluation. VP Ross notes that he thinks we may want to direct REGEN to look at certain combinations of zones. Additional conversation follows about having REGEN consider cost efficiencies to combine zones, perhaps consider mobilization costs – which ultimately leads to scalability during construction. VP Ross asks if it would be helpful for the Assessment Engineer to be involved at this point? GM Savage responds that the better time will be after a comparison between gravity and hybrid solution is completed.

#### President Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Public Comment: Tom Nelson speaks.

President Fayram notes his concerns about who would pay for repairs and replacements of things like landscaping during effluent sewer installation.

# Motion to recommend approval of a contract with REGEN to the full Board of Directors, with the caveats noted.

Motion by: GM Savage, Second: VP Ross.

Discussion about the proposal and how it gets introduced to the full Board, and how much the scope costs ensues. There is general agreement that GM Savage should introduce the item and then allow Mr. Bounds to answer specific questions.

Voice vote: (3-0) All in favor.

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Vice President Ross: Asks various questions about the addendum. He wants to be sure he is clear on what the agenda is for next Wednesday.

GM Savage: No comment

President Fayram: No comment but wants to see item 5 stay on the agenda.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at: 5:26 PM. Motion by: Vice President Ross, Second: GM Savage.

Voice vote: (3-0) All in favor.

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Guy W. Savage General Manager – Los Olivos Community Services District

Approved:

President Fayram Director – Los Olivos Community Services District

# **ITEM 6 – PAVING IN LOS OLIVOS**



Guy Savage <gm.locsd@gmail.com>

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Fwd: Paving 1 message

> From: **MARK HERTHEL** <<u>mherthel@mac.com</u>> Date: Mon, Oct 30, 2023 at 11:43 AM Subject: Fwd: Paving To: Guy Savage <<u>qm.locsd@gmail.com</u>>

Hi Guy,

Not sure if the unimproved alley may be part of a Los Olivos wastewater solution, but please see the email chain below FYI with Joan. I was inquiring as the trees in that alley came down last week so I figured they were getting close to doing something. Years ago there was talk of using that unimproved alley as a potential place for shallow drywall's, etc...for shallow aquifer ground water recharge as its up gradient from most of towns septic tanks and close to the site near the church that was originally studied for the MBR. The idea was to have a permeable but drive-able pavers or nice gravel finish.

I hope flood control was asked about paving that alley as it seems to have a proclivity for flooding already. I am not expert but it flooded out our old side street cafe building in 2017.

Mark

Begin forwarded message:

From: Joan Hartmann <jrhartmann@impulse.net> Subject: Re: Paving Date: October 28, 2023 at 6:23:20 AM PDT To: MARK HERTHEL <mherthel@mac.com> Cc: Meighan Dietenhofer <mDietenhofer@countyofsb.org>, Gina Fischer <gFischer@countyofsb.org>, John Parke <jhparke@icloud.com>

Mark,

Really interesting idea. I do know flooding continues to be a concern in that area. It is NOT part of the County maintained road system and so it will NOT be brought up to County standards at this time. It is sort of a stop gap measure. I am planning to ask that it be placed into our maintained system and that it should be and just historical accident that it was not. That means getting it onto our Capital improvement program list. So this is longer term plan. If Guy has something more specific, I am certainly eager to hear more. And perhaps if it does come forward later, the asphalt could be taken up.

Joan Joan Hartmann jrhartmann@impulse.net Home: 805.693.9425 Cell: 805.245.4324 Buellton, CA 93427

On Oct 27, 2023, at 10:23 PM, MARK HERTHEL <mherthel@mac.com> wrote:

Hi Joan,

I understand. That dirt road has been really bad for the better part of 50 years. We used to have Frank Palmer grade it to get rid of the deep holes however Harvey and clan wanted it to stay rough so they could get it paved. He slaughtered the trees a few days ago so I figured it was getting close to being paved. It definitely needs to be improved as it's in really bad shape. Flooding has been an issue there as well, so hopefully there is a good plan for diverting the water that comes off that slope. In 2017 our old sides building flooded out from water off that alley.

Some of us whom have been working on this wastewater effort for the better part of a decade thought that area could be a potential location for ground water recharge through shallow percolation chambers with drivable pavers or other drivable but permeable surface. It's probably a long-shot, but the engineer that the district engaged this week would be the guy to determine if that spot is even worth considering. I'll ask Guy at the CSD to let us know once he gets through some of his work.

Thank you,

Mark

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 27, 2023, at 8:12 PM, Joan <jrhartmann@impulse.net> wrote:

Oh Mark, so many people have been asking for that to be paved. I told people it would happen this fall in the piece that I sent out to Los Olivos residents. Holding off for an indeterminate time for a possibility that no one has mentioned until now is a really hard decision for me to make. We have been over two years working with adjacent landowners and public works and mr. sarloos to get to this point. Unless the CSD comes with a clear plan and request, I don't think I can put this on hold. Issues in los Olivos are rarely straightforward. Joan

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 27, 2023, at 8:57 AM, MARK HERTHEL <mherthel@mac.com> wrote:

Hi Joan,

I am hearing that the county may working on paving the strip of Jonata between Grand and Nojoqui. If that's the case it would be great to hold off until the CSD has its system design figured out as that area may be somewhere where effluent could be dispersed through drywells or dispersal chambers.

Thank you,

Mark

11/9/23, 11:17 AM

Gmail - Fwd: Paving