

**LAKE ARROWHEAD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
MINUTES OF AN ALA/LACSD INTERFACE COMMITTEE MEETING**

DATE: December 12, 2018

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: LACSD Blue Jay Board Room
27307 St. Hwy. 189, Ste. 107
Blue Jay, CA 92317

ATTENDANCE: ***ALA Committee Members Present:***
Gary Clifford, Board President
Brian Hall, Director

ALA Committee Members Absent:
None

ALA Staff Present:
Wayne Austin, General Manager
Joyce Barkley, Administrative Supervisor

LACSD Committee Members
John O'Brien, Director
John Wurm, Board President

LACSD Committee Members Absent:
None

LACSD Staff Present:
Catherine Cerri, General Manager
Kathleen Field, Executive Assistant

Others Present:
None

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

John O'Brien **MOVED** and John Wurm **SECONDED** to approve the October 23, 2017, ALA/LACSD Interface Committee meeting minutes as distributed.

CARRIED: **AYES: Clifford, Hall, O'Brien, and Wurm**
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Aquatic Invasive Mussel Species

Ms. Cerri reported that the last new aquatic invasive mussel sighting was in October 2017. In response to a question regarding where the last sighting was, Ms. Cerri stated Metropolitan Water District (MWD) had been delivering water from the State Water Project through the Rialto Pipeline and the Glendora Tunnel. Ms. Cerri thanked ALA for their efforts. Mr. Hall expressed concern regarding the potential introduction of invasive mussel species into the Lake by small boats such as paddle boats and kayaks. Discussion followed regarding alternatives to address the potential issue including: inspection of the small vessels, issuance of separate mussel stickers and educational outreach. Ms. Barkley commented that ALA office staff talks to members about the small vessels. Mr. Austin added that ALA was forming an Ad Hoc Committee to focus on the short-term rental issues and concerns about small boats/vessels introducing invasive mussel species into the Lake.

2. Lake Level

Ms. Cerri stated there were some questions if the ALA Lake level report distributed on Monday's was correct. Mr. Austin stated that is what ALA posts and the same test is done for Grass Valley Lake. Ms. Cerri reported that Lake level was 5097.5 feet or 9.2 feet from being full. Discussion on the storm event that resulted in approximately 8 inches of rainfall; Grass Valley Lake was full, and the gate was open. Ms. Cerri provided background information on the Hillside Ponds. Ms. Cerri stated the District was looking at the feasibility for potentially percolating treated wastewater into the ponds and pulling out of the ponds as groundwater. The Committee discussed the type of water that potentially could be introduced into the Lake. The project was years out; will need a full environmental review; was located on Forest Service Land, and there may be grant funds available for the project. Ms. Cerri noted that the overall usage of water was down. The reasons mentioned for the overall water usage being down were; water conservation, use of groundwater wells and CLAWA water. Discussion continued collaboration between the entities. Mr. Clifford commented that ALA would be forming a consortium with those members and stakeholders that value and use the Lake. Mr. Wurm commented, keep LACSD involved.

3. Memorandum of Understanding

Mr. Austin stated that ALA had prepared the invoice for 2017/2018 and with that knowledge, Ms. Cerri could dissect the invoice, and we will work on the Budget for 2018/2019. Ms. Cerri remarked the Budget for 2019/2020 was required by February 1, 2019, and will need to be provided for Lake Arrowhead Community Services District (LACSD) Board for approval in January 2019. Mr. Hall asked if there had been a discussion on the valves and elevators. Mr. Austin and Ms. Cerri affirmatively responded that the valves and elevators had been discussed. Ms. Cerri added that if it was within the constraints of the prevailing wage and parameters within the budget and MOU. Ms. Cerri stated that the District is reevaluating the MOU and in the next year will bring to both Boards. Ms. Cerri responded to questions regarding the prevailing wage laws that regulate the District and what type of projects that are regulated by the prevailing wage laws. Discussion continued on what type of projects would fall under the prevailing wage laws. Mr. Glifford suggested that the District look at what are not considered construction projects and what are maintenance projects to save rate payer money. Discussion on dredging projects if it could be argued that they are a maintenance item, but the District should get legal advice. Ms. Cerri noted that dredging is problematic because the amount that can be cost shared was not in line with the actual cost. Mr. Clifford commented that the District could fix that at any time.

4. Hydrology Study

Ms. Cerri stated that this item was to provide an update on another indirect potable reuse (IPR) project in the Lake. The ongoing study was being done by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) and the Bureau of Reclamation. ALA was taking sampling every Tuesday. Were close to getting a permit from the California State Water Quality Control Board for putting the dye tracer in the Lake. Ms. Cerri explained that the propose of the dye tracer was to prove out the computer model. Further explaining the two types of dyes used and locations for placing the dyes. Mr. Austin stated the ALA barge would be used for the dye testing. A series of questions were posed regarding the study and, Ms. Cerri responded noting that Mr. Austin had the complete proposal if they would like to review. Mr. Hall asked if we would get complaints as a result of the dye testing and perhaps notify ALA members. Ms. Cerri responded that the plan was to have the dye tracer bloom approximately 50 feet below the surface and probably would not be seen but will provide notification. Mr. Clifford expressed his opinions on IPR. Discussion continued on IPR and on the uses of purple pipe water/reclaimed water. Mr. Austin referred to a memo from Mr. Wagner that was provided to the committee. Ms. Cerri informed the Committee that she has plans to meet with Mr. Wagner next week to go over his calculations. Mr. Austin invited Ms. Cerri to come to a meeting on Tuesday morning at ALA go over Mr. Wagner's calculations. Ms. Cerri will check her calendar.

5. Future Well Sites

Ms. Cerri informed the Committee that this item was added to the agenda at the request of Roberta Rindenow. Mr. Austin stated Ms. Rindenow wanted to know anything that ALA could offer on their land for potential well sites. Mr. Austin mentioned a potential future well site around Orchard Bay. Mr. Austin added that Mr. Wagner might have additional well sites to provide. Ms. Cerri commented that the District was looking at expanding groundwater supply and explained that the current groundwater system was combined into one treatment plant. District plans were to start at the Blue Jay site for the first one off well due to the uranium. This first groundwater well will provide a cost for a single groundwater well with its own IX system. Best producing groundwater well was #5 on hole #16, and #8 does well. Ms. Cerri informed the Committee about an issue with the State regarding having a house over Groundwater Well # 8. The issue with the house is that a crane is required to remove the roof to inspect the groundwater. Ms. Cerri stated that this issue will need to be addressed and will get more information. Mr. Hall stated that he had a 2015 memo from Mr. Wagner on ten potential well sites on ALA land and would provide a copy. There was a discussion on wells on private residential property in Cedar Ridge.

6. Future Agenda Topics

The general consensus of the Committee was that the current agenda topics were fine.

Mr. Clifford commented that being part of a consortium would be a good idea and added that he thinks there is a consensus from their Board on the consortium.

Mr. Clifford left business cards with his cell number to provide to the LACSD Board members.

Mr. Hall commented that there are water quality issues over by the Village and duck issues as well, and ask if the District could help. Mr. Hall suggested adding water quality testing for a future agenda topic. Mr. Austin stated that the ALA docks are covered with duck feces and the docks are blown off into the Lake. A contributing factor discussed was the regular feeding of the ducks. Feeding the ducks is a Fish and Wildlife violation. Ideas were shared on resolving the issue. Ms. Cerri stated that LACSD could add as a potential sampling site during the summer and cautioned that if tested the business may be closed.

Mr. Hall suggested adding litter control topic to the future agenda. Mr. Hall explained that litter was an issue and in the past high school students have helped with a clean up on the Lake shoreline. Mr. Hall mentioned he would like a discussion regarding the Flood Control District. Mr. Hall spoke with Lewis Murray with Supervisor Rutherford's office and Mr. Murray will provide information on adopt a street program. Committee members talked about Mr. Hall's idea regarding adopt a trail for ALA property and adding as a future agenda topic.

The next scheduled meeting of the Committee will be September 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

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