



**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
January 8, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.  
At the Palomares House  
1815 Stage Coach Lane, Fallbrook

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL (by observation):**

Directors - T. Harrington X\_\_ P. Meehan X\_\_ B. Weber X\_\_  
Officer - Treasurer G. Harrington X\_\_

12 members of the community also were present.

Director Harrington Called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM. Director Meehan had to leave to retrieve the key to the Palomares house, leaving Directors Harrington and Weber as a quorum of sitting directors to open the meeting.

**2. \*ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA (Government Code §54954).**

Hearing none, no action taken. Moving on.

**3. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS BOARD (on any item not on the agenda)**

Director Meehan returned and joined the meeting at approximately 4:15 PM.

A question was asked about openings on the board and the terms of the seats. Director Harrington stated that currently there were two vacant seats on the board. All five seats will be up for re-election on the November general election. The three seats held by Directors Harrington, Meehan and Weber will be full term, four-year seats. The two vacant seats will be up for two-year terms to complete the remainder of the seat's terms.

The audience asked if the elections would be on the ballot. Director Harrington stated that while qualifying for candidacy was the same as any office (going to the ROV and completing a candidate application) the names will only appear on the ballot if there is more than five candidates.

Another question was asked about the physical requirements of a board position. Director Harrington stated that the positions were not physically demanding. The District hires companies to do the road maintenance and landscaping. However, directors have taken charge of some of the district tasks to expedite them and save the district some money. For instance, Director Weber took charge of upgrading the signs (replacing the 45 MPH signs with 35 MPH and replacing old signage) along Sleeping Indian Road. Director Harrington continues to try to patch potholes until more permanent paving can be done.

It was asked if the district had any funds under contract. Director Harrington replied that all bills are paid as they come due. The only ongoing issue would be monthly charges for a QuickBooks seat and the phone bill. Larger recurring expenses would be the every two-year paving contracts, annual insurance and annual fiscal audit.



4. **CONSENT CALENDAR** [The consent calendar items are non-controversial matters voted on together by a single motion unless separate action is requested by a Board member or a member of the public.]
- a. Approval of Minutes – October 2, 2023
  - b. Banking Account Report - fiscal year to date.
  - c. Approval of Ad Hoc Committee costs - \$144.03 10-23-23
  - d. Approval of Updated signs for Sleeping Indian - \$1,443.37 10-30-23

Director Harrington introduced the consent calendar. He informed the audience that the banking activity report is a spreadsheet of all the bank statements to date (balance \$196,701.14). Last fiscal year's banking activity report was attached to the meeting package to illustrate what the district should expect by the end of this fiscal year (an additional \$60,000.00).

Director Weber motioned to approve the Consent Calendar, Director Meehan seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

5. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

- a. President, Secretary, Road Manager, Treasurer & Vacant Director seats.

Director Harrington decided to take the vacant board positions first. He asked if any community members present would consider helping the district by taking over the vacant seat temporarily until the 2024 general election. Mrs. Jeanine Roskos and Ms. Charlene Weber volunteered. Director Harrington motioned to appoint Mrs. Roskos and Mrs. Weber to the vacant seats. Director Meehan seconded, and the motion Passed unanimously.

Next the position for president was opened for nominations. Director Harrington was nominated. The nomination was approved unanimously.

The secretary position was opened for nomination.

The position of Treasurer was opened for nomination. Director Harrington explained that the Treasurer position could not be an elected member of the board. Director Harrington nominated Ms. Harrington. The nomination was approved unanimously.

6. **ROAD MATTERS:**

- a. Ad Hoc Committee Report and Recommendations

Director Meehan presented the following recommendations the Ad Hoc committee had developed.

1. Install or enhance the entrance signs at all four (4) entrances with reflective paint and minimal, simple language that can be read from a moving motor vehicle entering our community and inform drivers they are entering a traffic calming neighborhood. Will Laskey has agreed to assist with this project.

Response - After lengthy discussion Director Weber offered to get an example of a metal sign that would advise drivers of the traffic calming neighborhood and be more durable than wood signs.

2. Formally notify residents of openings on the Board, hold an informational meeting for those interested, and remove Romero's names as board members.

Response - Director Roskos stated that the board needed to inform the entire district of the board positions coming up for election in November. After discussion, it was decided to put



together an informative postcard to all property owners. Director Meehan motioned to develop an address list for all property owners in the district for a postcard mailer and also to add the election information to the web site. Director Harrington seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Director Harrington stated he would research addresses at the County and Director Roskos said she would research through her title company connections. Director Harrington would also get the web site updated.

3. Call Oceanside Police Department (OPD) contact to discuss traffic monitoring assistance on the O'side end of Sleeping Indian Road (South Morro Hills). Contact was provided by a MH resident who personally spoke to the officer who expressed they will be working to slow the trucks down and have them drive in a safer manner and to invite him into the conversation as to how they can help.

- Samuel Hay #1209
- Police Motorcycle Officer
- Traffic Services Units
- [SBHay@oceansidepolice.org](mailto:SBHay@oceansidepolice.org)
- (760) 435-4725

Response - Director Harrington stated that he would call Officer Hays for an update.

4. Consider purchasing one solar powered electronic digital speed sign that can be moved as needed. Data collection is included. Bill Weber has researched this device.

Response - After discussion Director Harrington motioned to approve \$7,500 to purchase and install one digital speed sign. Director Meehan seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Director Weber agreed to take the lead on purchasing and installing the sign.

5. Formally inform the residents of their easement obligations to maintain and enhance the line of sight. Particularly as it pertains to vegetation or other barriers.

Response - After discussion the consensus was to put this information on the web site and on the mailer (postcard).

6. Install a 2nd 35 MPH sign on northbound Sleeping Indian past Conejo Road (general area of 5002, 5012, 5016 Sleeping Indian).

Response - Will do.

7. 25 MPH sign and arrow sign at 4609-13 Sleeping Indian obscures view of the road from vehicles exiting. Move these signs further south and the signs themselves higher up the pole to improve visibility.

Response - Will do.

8. Tumbleweed and Del Valle intersection - paint white boundary striping on the north and south side of Tumbleweed, and change the center line to a no passing lane.

Response - Director Harrington stated that this request would be addressed in the next paving contract (this summer).

9. There is a missing blue road reflector for the fire plug at 5022 Sleeping Indian Road. Replace as soon as possible.

Response - Director Harrington said that this would be best done along with the next paving effort. Mr. Will Laskey stated that he would be willing to replace the reflector if district would pick up the cost of reflectors, adhesives and equipment. Director Harrington motioned to approve up to \$2,500 for the project. Director Weber seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.



10. Place some kind of reflector warning sign or symbol at the bend in the road just beyond 4960 Sleeping Indian, in front of the Oak tree.

Response – Discussion went from additional signage to possibly delineators along the edge of the paving. Director Harrington stated the board would fully support additional warning for the curve. Director Weber offered to inspect the curve and make a recommendation.

11. Contact Peters Paving for a range of costs to be incorporated at the next scheduled paving.

a. Speed Tables on Sleeping Indian Road a) between Fallen Oak and Tumbleweed; b) between Tumbleweed and Verde; c) between Lower Springs and Morro Hills Road; d) between Conejo Rd. and Morro Hills Rd.

Response - Director Harrington presented an exhibit he prepared of a 35MPH speed table as recommended by the National Association of City Transportation Officials (a 22 foot deck with 5.5 foot ramps either side). Peters Paving's estimator state that it would probably be the cost of the paving and additional \$1,000 for layout (Total of approximately \$3,000 each). and got an initial idea from their estimator that it would be the cost of the paving. Director Harrington would also check with the Districts last traffic engineer and the insurance provider to see if either had any concerns.

b. 4-Way stop sign at Sleeping Indian and Tumbleweed.

Response – Director stated concern over this proposal. He would also run this idea by the traffic engineer and the insurance company for comment.

c. 1-way stop sign northbound on Sleeping Indian at Lower Springs.

Response - Director stated concern over this proposal. He would also run this idea by the traffic engineer and the insurance company for comment.

d. 1-way stop sign added to the intersection of Sleeping Indian and Morro Hills Road for southbound traffic.

Response - Director stated concern over this proposal. He would also run this idea by the traffic engineer and the insurance company for comment.

12. The Ad hoc Committee will reach out to the South Morro Hills Homeowners association to discuss the traffic concerns they have and to see if they are working on any projects.

#### b. Paving

Director Harrington presented the board with exhibits of the locations and preliminary quantities (Linear feet) of paving currently in poor condition within the district. This amounted to about 1.46 miles of the 6.0 miles in the district. At the current cost of paving per Peters Paving's estimator that could cost over \$300,000. He recognized that the district could not do all this work even if they wanted, but some of the work would need to be scheduled for this coming summer to facilitate the speed table and stripping upgrades requested. Director Harrington would be preparing an RFP on road work for board approval at the April meeting.

#### c. Drainage

No discussion at this time.

#### d. Signage

Addressed in Ad Hoc recommendations and board responses.

e. Landscaping

Director Harrington stated that he was planning on having the oak tree at the south east corner of Morro Hills road and San Jacinto West trimmed if not removed per the request of the adjacent property owner request and then trim landscaping obscuring signage.

**7. DIRECTOR COMMENTS/REPORTS - [This item is placed on the agenda to enable individual Board members to convey information concerning District matters to the Board and to the public. There is generally no discussion, and no action may be taken.]**

A discussion of what it would take to put an assessment of the ballot to fund a major over haul of the road system, or apply for grant funds. Director Harrington stated he would call County Special Districts office to get their comments and also requested help of the Ad Hoc group to research the subject as well.

**8. ADJOURNMENT -Time, date and place to be set.**  
\*Asterisk indicates possible voting item.

Next meeting was set for 5:00 PM Monday April 8<sup>th</sup> at the Palomares House  
Meeting was concluded at 6:15 PM





**MHCSD**

**Meeting Attendees**

**January 8, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.  
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**Robert & Rojane Lindkist 4877 Sleeping Indian Rd.  
415-310-115**

**Karen & Jerry Sarnataro 4874 Sleeping Indian Rd  
760-330-7816**

**Will Laskey 4420 Sleeping Indian Rd.  
949-295-9887**

**Bill, Charlene, & Maddy Weber  
714-335-5065**

**Jeff Walker 4370 Sleeping Indian Rd  
760-277-4283**

**Cindy Lemke 4659 Sleeping Indian Rd  
760-550-7199**

**Jeanine Roskos 4611 Sleeping Indian Rd  
760-390-9568**

**Becky Tanamachi 4694 Sleeping Indian Rd  
562-305-2058**

**Joel & Johanna Menard 545 Georgine Rd  
760-723-3322**

**Paul George Sleeping Indian**