

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
GREATER BAKERSFIELD SEPARATION OF GRADE DISTRICT

Held: May 13, 2019

A regular meeting of the Commission of the Greater Bakersfield Separation of Grade District was held on May 13, 2019, at 1800 30th Street, Suite 260, Bakersfield, California.

CALL TO ORDER: _____)
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President, Mark J. Smith, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and presided thereat.

ROLL CALL: _____)
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The following Commissioners were present:

Mark J. Smith
Steven M. Ruettgers
Terry A. Murray
John Spaulding

W. Patrick Marchbanks joined the meeting late.

Also present were Sheila K. Plane and John D. Schuler, District Engineers; and Bernard C. Barmann, Jr., District Legal Counsel.

ELECTION OF COMMISSIONER)
SPAULDING AS ASSISTANT)
SECRETARY AND COMMITTEE)
ASSIGNMENTS:)
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On motion of Commissioner Ruettgers, seconded by Commissioner Murray, and unanimously carried, Commissioner Spaulding was appointed as Assistant Secretary to the Commission. President Smith appointed Commissioner Spaulding to the following Committee Assignments: Advanced Planning; and Regulatory & Audit.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES,)
REGULAR MEETING)
APRIL 8, 2019:)
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On motion of Commissioner Ruettgers, seconded by Commissioner Murray, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the regular meeting of April 8, 2019, were approved.

LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT:)
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Mr. Barmann reported that on April 9, 2019, the Kern County Board of Supervisors appointed John Spaulding as a Commissioner to the Greater Bakersfield Separation of Grade District, replacing Gregory Boylan, with a term expiring January 10, 2021.

DISTRICT ENGINEER'S)
REPORT:)
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Mr. Schuler reported as follows:

Project Funding Sources. There were no new developments regarding possible federal funding. Regarding state funding, SB1 is a source of funds for the County; High Speed Rail funding is in flux. Mr. Schuler continues to engage with Kern COG and County staff. County Public Works is checking on applicability of local oil and gas permit fees. Funding for Morning Drive is being reshuffled.

High Speed Rail Project. The High Speed Rail Authority released its business plan update on May 1. The first phase of the project is to be Bakersfield to Merced. HSR has funding for Wasco to Merced. The Bakersfield to Palmdale HSR staff will be meeting with interested parties at Mr. Schuler's office in Bakersfield tomorrow.

Specific Plan Lines. Overall plat for Refro-Jenkins has been sent to the City for review. Mr. Schuler is waiting for a response from City regarding Kratzmeyer and West Beltway.

Morning Drive Project. Mr. Schuler met with Sam Lux. Mr. Schuler provided a project strategy overview. Utility information is coming in.

Baker/Truxtun/Beale @ BNSF & UPRR. No changes to report.

Rosedale Highway at Landco. No changes to report.

CPUC Nominations 2020-2022 – Crossing data collection. Mr. Schuler's office collected video data last week and should receive processed data by next week.

FINANCIAL REPORT:)
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The Secretary then presented the Financial Report for April, 2019, in the form attached as **Exhibit A**. Following discussion, on motion of Commissioner Marchbanks, seconded by Commissioner Ruettgers, and unanimously carried, the report was approved and ordered filed, vouchers to pay the bills from the District Expense Fund as noted in part A(1) of the report and were ordered to be drawn and presented to the County Controller for payment.

AYES: Mark J. Smith
W. Patrick Marchbanks
Steven M. Ruettgers
Terry A. Murray
John Spaulding

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

COMMITTEE REPORT)
ASSIGNMENTS:)
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1. Right of Way (Ruettgers, Murray)
2. Advance Planning (Smith, Spaulding)
3. Budget (Marchbanks, Ruettgers)
4. Regulatory & Audit (Marchbanks, Spaulding)
5. Government Relations (Smith, Murray)

ADJOURNMENT:)
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There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was, on motion of Commissioner Ruettgers, seconded by Commissioner Murray, and unanimously carried, adjourned at 5:26 p.m. The Commission will meet next on Monday, June 10, 2019, at 5:00 p.m.



Steven M. Ruettgers
Secretary of the Commission

APPROVED:


Mark J. Smith
President of the Commission

MONTHLY MEETING MAY 2019

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A(1) DISTRICT EXPENSE FUND:

Steven Ruettgers	Commissioner Expense - April 2019	\$	100.00
Patrick Marchbanks	Commissioner Expense - April 2019	\$	100.00
Terry Murray	Commissioner Expense - April 2019	\$	100.00
Mark Smith	Commissioner Expense - April 2019	\$	100.00
Kuhs & Parker	Professional Services - March 2019	\$	1,172.15
Ruettgers & Schuler	Engineering Services - April 2019	\$	6,253.75
Ruettgers & Schuler	Engineering Services - Specific Plan - April 2019	\$	5,930.00
Ruettgers & Schuler	Engineering Services - High \speed Rail - April 2019	\$	271.25
Kern County Auditor Controller	Vouchers or Accounts Payable Warrants	\$	185.84
		\$	<u>14,212.99</u>

Exhibit A