

HOME GARDENS SANITARY DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
NOVEMBER 23, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Home Gardens Sanitary District was called to order by the President, Miguel Serrato, at 7:37 p.m. at the office of the District, 13538 Magnolia Ave. Corona, California.

Directors present were: Serrato, Cacho, Barajas, Garrison and Samson Runion. Also present were: Alan Burns, District Counsel; Tracey LaBonte, General Manager and Tania Duarte, Administrative Assistant.

Minutes of the regular meeting of October 26, 2021 were presented for approval. Motion was made by Director Cacho, seconded by Director Garrison, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as presented.

Expenditures for the month of November 2021 were presented and discussed. Motion was made by Director Barajas, seconded by Director Samson Runion, and unanimously carried to approve the monthly expenditures.

Manager LaBonte presented the Budget Efficiency & Income/Revenue reports. Discussion followed.

President Serrato moved back to Item II on the agenda.

Public Comment: None.

Hearing for Delinquent Accounts:

The Meeting was called to public hearing at 7:41 p.m. District Counsel Alan Burns presented an overview of the hearing, which was presided over by the President, Miguel Serrato. The hearing was being held pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 6523.2. No persons notified of this hearing appeared to present evidence of why they should not be disconnected from the public sewer system. The General Manager was called to present the status of the accounts. Tracey LaBonte testifies that the status of accounts as presented in the attached "Notice of Hearing" was accurate and that all persons on the list had been duly notified of the hearing. Motion was made by Director Samson Runion, seconded by Director Cacho, and unanimously carried to disconnect those properties in the "Notice of Hearing" from the sewer system on or after December 15, 2021. This hearing concluded at 7:44 p.m.

Staff Report:

1. On November 4, 2021 at 3:38 a.m., someone tried to fish out payments out of the Night Drop.
2. Sam, our IT guy, noticed that some of our lights outside were out and that it was too dark for our cameras. We had Fast Electric come out on November 8, 2021, to get the lights fixed. Also, while they were fixing the lights, they saw that there was a weed growing out in one of our gutters, he went to pull it out and saw that the gutter was full of debris. They ended up cleaning that gutter.

No WRCRWA Committee Meeting to report.

Items for Discussion and Consideration:

1. The Board Discussed October's Monthly Status Report from G & G Environmental Compliance.
2. After discussion, a motion was made by Director Barajas, seconded by Director Samson Runion, and unanimously carried to deny Live Media Group's request for refund since November 2018 and to have our Attorney, Alan Burns, send an appropriate letter.
3. After discussion, a motion was made by Director Garrison, seconded by Director Cacho, to have General Manager, LaBonte, recommend to the Board a patron's request to waive a late fee when she believed it was appropriate, and the Board will consider it. The vote was 4-1-0, with Director Samson Runion voting against.

4. District Counsel Alan Burns presented training on laws related to Personal Financial Gain by public officials as part of AB1234 Ethics Training (30 minutes of required two hours).

Closed Session: None.

Director Comments: All the Directors wished everyone a Happy and Safe Thanksgiving.

There being no further business, President Miguel Serrato adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.




Salvador Cacho, Secretary

The foregoing minutes were approved by the Board of Directors of the Home Gardens Sanitary District at the Regularly scheduled meeting of said Board, December 28, 2021.

Signed: 

Miguel Serrato, President



Salvador Cacho, Secretary