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HIGHLIGHTS

June 28, 2023

TAMC Board Approves Measure X Senior & Disabled Program Cycle 3 Grant Recommendations

The Transportation Agency Board of Directors approved a resolution programming \$1.5 million for Cycle 3 Measure X Senior & Disabled Transportation Program grants for fiscal years 2023/25 through 2025/25. The five non-profit organizations selected to receive grants to support the transportation needs of seniors and person with disabilities are:

- \$345,504 to Partnership for Children,
- \$705,263 to Independent Transportation Network (ITN) Monterey County,
- \$227,820 to Alliance on Aging,
- \$142,644 to Blind & Visually Impaired Center, and
- \$78,770 to Kernes Memorial Pool.

In addition, the Board approved an extension to the deadline for Kernes Memorial Pool to use their Cycle 2 funding by one year, from June 30, 2023, to June 30, 2024, due to impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The purpose of the Measure X Senior & Disabled Program is to:

- 1. Increase transportation services for seniors and persons with disabilities to support their ability to live independently in their homes and communities.
- 2. Fund non-profit transportation to support seniors and persons with disabilities.
- 3. Provide the following benefits:
 - Give seniors more transportation options,
 - Support independent travel by people with disabilities, and
 - Provide safer and more reliable senior transportation services.

Three New Members Appointed to Serve on the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee

The TAMC Board of Directors appointed three new members to serve on the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee.

Greg Hamer will represent the Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce; Dale Agron will represent the Sierra Club Ventana Chapter as the Habitat Preservation representative; and Diana Jimenez will represent the North Monterey County League of United Latin American Citizens Council. The duties of the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee include the following:

- 1. Independent Audits: Have full access to the Agency's independent auditor and review the annual audits, have the authority to request and review specific financial information, and provide input on the audit to assure that funds are being expended in accordance with the requirements of the plan.
- 2. Plan Changes: Review and make recommendations on any proposed changes to the plan, prior to the Transportation Agency Board consideration.
- 3. Project Delivery and Priorities: Review and comment on project delivery schedules as represented in the Strategic Expenditure Plan and make recommendations to the Transportation Agency on any proposal for changing project delivery priorities.
- 4. Annual and Final Reports: Prepare annual reports regarding the administration of the program, to be presented to the Transportation Agency Board and be made available for public review.

Monterey County Broadband Strategic Plan Presentation

Maria Kelly from TeleworX provided a presentation on the Monterey County Broadband Strategic Plan. Her presentation included a review of how this project is being coordinated with other efforts (e.g., Broadband for All Action Plan, Middle-Mile Broadband Initiative, State Digital Equity Plan).

The Monterey County Broadband Strategic Plan is expected to support future State and Federal grant applications to fund infrastructure and digital equity program implementation. Digital equity is a condition in which all individuals and communities have the information technology capacity needed for full participation in our society, democracy, and economy. Improving access to the broadband network is essential to achieving digital equity, especially those representing unserved and underserved communities, because it is necessary for civic and cultural participation, employment, lifelong learning, and access to essential services.

Under Governor Newsom's directive, the Broadband Council completed the Broadband for All Action Plan to ensure that all Californians have access to high-speed internet that is affordable, are provided with the devices, and training needed to connect to the broadband network.



MST HIGHLIGHTS Board of Directors Meeting July 10, 2023

RECOGNIZED JULY EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

The MST Board adopted resolution 2024-01 recognizing Manny Garcia-Villareal, IT Technician, as the July 2023 Employee of the Month for his outstanding contribution to MST and to the entire community.

AUTHORIZED GENERAL MANAGER TO ACCEPT REAL PROPERTY TRANSFER TO MST

The MST Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to execute any and all agreements with Seaside as the Fort Ord Reuse Authority Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement and Local Redevelopment Authority Successor-in-Interest accepting parcel L.2.3 and parcel L.2.4.1, northeast corner of Gigling and 8th Ave. located in former Fort Ord, Monterey County.

APPROVED RESPONSE LETTER TO MONTEREY SUPERIOR COURT

The MST Board approved the MST response letter to Honorable Pamela L. Butler, Presiding Judge of the Monterey County Superior Court in response to a Monterey County Civil Grand Jury Report of Monterey-Salinas Transit with the addition of enhanced language regarding the importance of emergency response efforts by MST.

NEXT MST BOARD MEETING

The August board meeting is canceled and the next regular MST Board meeting is scheduled for September 11, 2023.



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856th REGULAR MEETING

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

926 East Blanco Road Salinas, CA. 93901

~AGENDA~

12:00 P.M. Noon

We strive to host inclusive, accessible meetings that enable all individuals, including individuals with disabilities, to engage fully. To request an accommodation or for inquiries about accessibility, please contact the District.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

August 8, 2023

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ROLL CALL – ESTABLISHMENT OF OUORUM:

3. **PUBLIC INPUT: (Limited to 3 minutes)**

The consent calendar includes routine items than can be approved with a single motion and vote. A member of the Board of Trustees may request that any item be pulled from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: July 2023
- B. PAYROLL WARRANTS: July 2023 \$209,218.43
- C. COMMERICAL WARRANTS: July 2023 \$175,138.20
- D. UMPQUA BANK: June 2023 \$1,708.58
- E. TIME DISTRIBUTION: July 2023
- F. BALANCE SHEET: July 2023
- G. SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES: July 2023

BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. Resolution No. 2324-01 of the Monterey County Mosquito Abatement District Board of Trustees to Cease Providing Health Benefits to Future Board Members

B. Approval of Comcast TV ads

6. MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT: Paul Palomo, Operational Supervisor

7. MONTHLY ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: Ken Klemme, District Manager

8. <u>TRUSTEE COMMENTS:</u>

Adjournment to: September 12, 2023

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 855th REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MONTEREY COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT July 11, 2023

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Monterey County Mosquito Abatement District was held on July 11, 2023, at the District Office in Salinas, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeff Cecilio, Chair, County of Monterey Don Cranford, Vice Chair, County of Monterey Nancy Amadeo, Secretary, City of Marina Jim Tashiro, City of Salinas Diane de Lorimier, City of Monterey Louise Goetzelt, City of Del Rey Oaks Jason Campbell, City of Seaside Ray Coopersmith, County of Monterey Mary Ann Carbone, City of Sand City

STAFF PRESENT:

Ken Klemme, District Manager Mona Sloan, Administrative Assistant Paul Palomo, Operations Supervisor

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> Board Chair Jeff Cecilio called the 855th Regular Meeting to order at 11:58 AM

- <u>ROLL CALL:</u> Administrative Assistant Mona Sloan called roll; it was determined that a quorum was present
- 3. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS:</u> NONE

4. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: June 2023
- B. PAYROLL WARRANTS: June 2023 \$85,449.83
- C. COMMERCIAL WARRANTS: June 2023 \$198,440.95
- D. UMPQUA BANK: May 2023 \$2,558.78
- E. TIME DISTRIBUTION: June 2023
- F. BALANCE SHEET: June 2023
- G. SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES: June 2023
- H. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Q2 2022 & Q3 2023

After discussion, **Trustee Amadeo moved to approve the consent calendar pending corrections, Trustee Carbone seconded;** *the motion was passed unanimously*

5. BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. Taking reservations for the 2023 California Special District Association (CSDA) Annual Conference

Manager Klemme encouraged Board members interested in attending the annual leadership conference to touch base with administrative assistant Sloan to reserve a spot for the upcoming event which will be held in Monterey from 8/28 – 8/31/23. Several members expressed interest, but said they will need to check their schedules before they commit. The early bird special ends August 1st.

B. Taking reservations for the 2023 Special District Association (SDA) quarterly Meeting on Tuesday July 18th @ 6:00 pm.

Manager Klemme requested reservations for the upcoming meeting to be held at Bayonet & Black Horse in Seaside. Trustees Cecilio, de Lorimier, Coopersmith, Tashiro and Amadeo stated they would like to attend. Administrative Assistant Sloan will confirm their RSVP's to the association.

C. Approval of I Heart Media Campaign

Manager Klemme presented the I Heart contract to the Board regarding radio advertising. After discussion was held, **Trustee Amadeo moved to approve the contract as presented**, **Trustee Tashiro seconded**; *the motion was passed unanimously*.

D. Approval of Comcast Media Campaign

Manager Klemme presented the Comcast television advertising campaign to the Board for approval. After a discussion regarding target audiences, it was suggested to table the discussion and pick up after the next board meeting, after more information was found. **Trustee Amadeo made a motion to table the contract until the August Board meeting**, **Trustee Goetzelt seconded**; *the motion passed unanimously*.

E. Continued discussion of expanding District boundaries

The Board held discussions regarding the expansion of District boundaries. Manager Klemme relayed recent activity the District responded to in the Bradley area and Trustees debated the cost of a survey. In the end it was agreed to revisit the topic in two years.

6. MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT: Paul Palomo, Operations Supervisor

Paul Palomo briefed the Board on District activities for the month of June. Palomo informed Trustees that staff saw a significant drop in service call requests as opposed to April & May. There were 29 service requests with 19 calls regarding mosquito activity, 9 calls for mosquito fish and 1 wasp call. Four videos were produced for the District's Social Media account and mosquito techs participated in drone training. Palomo also said that 75% of the marshes are drying up, but ponds are staying at capacity due to the heavy rains we experienced this spring.

7. MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT: Ken Klemme, District Manager/Biologist

Manager Klemme reported that Brent Ives from BHI Consulting was on vacation, but was still working to complete the strategic plan. Klemme expressed the Districts continued interest in having field trips to the office and has been talking with reps. from the Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE). Trustee de Lorimier suggested we reach out to private schools as well, because parents usually volunteer to drive students and there won't be the issue of the cost of a bus. Klemme informed the Board the District has joined the Monterey Business Council and recently attended a talk where Monterey County Sheriff Tina Nieto was the guest speaker. Lastly, Klemme said he has placed the order for two new drones, but they won't be delivered until December.

8. TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Trustee de Lorimier made a suggestion that when we are taking service requests, we ask the resident where they heard about us so we can get a clear picture of where our advertising efforts are working. Trustee Amadeo informed the Board that the City of Marina has approved her for (4) four more years on the Board.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further inquiries, Board Chair Cecilio adjourned the meeting at 12:55 PM to the next regularly scheduled meeting on August 8, 2023 at noon.

Jeff Cecilio, Board Chair

ATTEST:

Nancy Amadeo, Secretary