



Garden Valley Ranch Estates Community Service District

**Board Meeting Minutes
Friday, November 19, 2021
Agudo Residence, 6820 Hancock Rd., Garden Valley, CA 95633**

CALL TO ORDER@ 7:07 pm by Marianne Agudo filling in for Don Weiland

Present: Board Members – Frank Clark, Inge Cornett, Lee Gardner, 1 vacant position

Absent: Don Weiland

Officers - General Manager – Kathleen DeCurtis; Sec/Tres-Marianne Agudo

Public – Linda Manzon, Louie Manzon, Ernie Agudo, Lynn Schardt and Dane Wadlé

ADOPT AGENDA- November 19, 2021: Motion to Adopt – Lee Gardner. Seconded by Frank Clark
AYES 3 NAYS 0 1 vacant, 1 absent Motion passed

GUEST SPEAKER: Dane Wadlé, Sr. Public Affairs Field Coordinator- Sierra Network CSDA
Dane explained the role of the CSDA and the SDRMA. They represent and look out for our interests as well as providing resources. He reviewed the document he provided highlighting some of the things the CSDA has accomplished this year and other services.

APPROVE MINUTES – August 20, 2021 minutes: Motion to Approve – Lee Gardner.
Seconded by Frank Clark AYES 3 NAYS 0 1 vacant, 1 absent Motion passed. Lynn Schardt asked what is RAP and about the bus stop conversion. Kathleen explained RAP is Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement and that it would be used for the turn-around at the end of Lynx Road. Kathleen reported on the bus stop conversion during her Road Report.

SECRETARY REPORT& TREASURER REPORT - Marianne Agudo

Invoices: SCI - Special Tax Prep. \$1,300, Crowton's Excavation – Potholes on Chrysler and Lazy Brook Trail \$4,000.

Balances as of October 31, 2021: Revenue \$753.05 Expense \$93,095.79
General Ledger Balance: \$66,278.56 (including \$40,000 Road Maintenance Reserve Fund)

Special Tax Annual Report for the Fiscal Year 2020 – 2021 (included in the meeting packet). Lee Gardner made the motion to accept the report. Seconded by Frank Clark
AYES 3 NAYS 0 1 vacant 1 absent Motion passed.

Correspondence: El Dorado County – Audit/Controller, Sent a letter in error. It was intended for the Garden Valley Fire Dept. We also received a letter from Joe Harn advising that there will possibly be a reduction in our revenue by \$8,000 due to the downstream effects of the Caldor Fire. Dane Wadlé explained that the ERAF law was passed in 1992 during a recessionary time that allows funds to be transferred from public entities to schools to backfill the government's obligation to fund the schools to certain levels. This law has never been repealed. Members voiced their concerns as to how long this decrease could last. Marianne cautioned because we have spent our previous reserves, it would be prudent to make sure we have monies before we proceed with any future spending.

We received two phone messages from our Line 2 number both regarding a road condition.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR POSITION AVAILABLE – Still no interests

Position is for 3 + years. It was mentioned that Lynn Schardt would be a good candidate.

GENERAL MANAGER'S & ROAD REPORT – Kathy DeCurtis

Projects Status: 90% of the satellite roads have been chip and sealed. Road remaining from the original work group proposal is Lazy Brook Road from Lynx to the end. Chrysler and remaining Lazy Brook have been patched and edges repaired. An area at the end of Lazy Brook Road was not done. Kathleen and Don Weiland marked this area and Robin Crowton agreed he had missed this area and will do this when the weather permits.

Kathleen noticed 3 potholes just outside our area on Mr. Murphy and called the El Dorado County Roads and they immediately came and repaired them.

Street Signs – Kathleen said she replaced 13 street signs and a new stop sign. This project is completed.

Road striping - Kathleen said she needs help with this project. She needs people that can watch traffic and help with the striping. The possibility of using white tape was brought up. This project will have to be done when the weather permits.

Water Leak: Kathleen noticed a water leak on Hancock Road and advised Georgetown Water District. They came and patched the road. A few days later it was still leaking so Kathleen called and they patched it again.

She has been keeping in touch with Mountain Enterprise Tree Service asking them to be cognizant about the newly chip and sealed roads and keeping the roadways and drainage areas clear.

Dumping of Charitable Items: A concerned resident purchased some strongly worded signs making Kathleen uncomfortable about posting them. She reached out to CSDA, El Dorado County Maintenance and Georgetown Divide CSD. All were in agreement that it would be prudent not to post the signs. Kathleen also researched dumping with other sources and it is a common problem.

School Bus Stops – Kathleen said they are working on the conversion and it has been righted. Further work will be done as it settles and weather improves. She said another bus stop on the corner of Roller Coaster and Chrysler Circle has been knocked off its supports. She does not know with certainty how it happened. This is a possible liability if anyone gets injured. Lynn Schardt said she and her husband have taken care of this building for many years and her children have used it. GVRECSO owns this building and has the right to decide its fate. A lively discussion ensued. This has been tabled.

The culverts going under the road on Johntown Creek Rd. After the situation had been reported, Kathleen and her husband removed the 4 X 8 pieces of expense plywood and debris that were blocking the three large culverts. She contacted the Real Estate Agent for the sale of that property. She told the agent that it was never to be done again. Louie Manzon said it is a federal offence to block or impede any water source. Kathleen was able to get it cleared hours before the heavy rain. She also contacted the owners of the property that backs onto Lazy Brook Trail that has wood blocking the ditch. The owner was in Nevada and didn't get it cleared until after the rain. The water did flow onto the road.

The members expressed their gratitude for all the work Kathleen has accomplished.

NEW BUSINESS - no new business

OLD BUSINESS: Louie said he is working on the door for the bus stop and should have it done by the end of January.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Kathleen requested that we all clean our culverts and remind our neighbors to do the same. Members discussed the responsibility of clearing the road sides of vegetation and how blocked culverts result in water on our roads.

ADJOURNMENT:@8:23 pm Motion to adjourn was made by Lee Gardner and seconded by Frank Clark. AYES 3 NAYS 0 1 vacant and 1 absent Passed

2021 Meetings: special meeting Jan 18th, rescheduled meeting Feb 19th, special meetings March 26th and April 1, special meeting May 13th, special meeting July 27th, Aug 20th, Nov 19th

2022 Meetings: Feb. 18th, May 20th, August 19th, Nov 18th