



Garden Valley Ranch Estates Community Service District

**Board Meeting Minutes  
Friday, August 20, 2021  
Agudo Residence, 6820 Hancock Rd., Garden Valley, CA 95633**

CALL TO ORDER@ 7:18 pm

Present: Board Members – Don Weiland, Frank Clark, Inge Cornett, Lee Gardner, 1 position vacant  
Officers - General Manager – Kathleen DeCurtis; Sec/Tres-Marianne Agudo  
Public – Linda Manzon, Louie Manzon and Gino Phillips

ADOPT AGENDA- August 20, 2021: Motion to Adopt – Frank Clark. Seconded by Lee Gardner  
AYES 4 NAYS 0 1 vacant Motion passed

APPROVE MINUTES – May 13, 2021 and July 27, minutes: Motion to Approve – Lee Gardner.  
Seconded by Frank Clark AYES 4 NAYS 0 1 vacant Motion passed

**SECRETARY REPORT& TREASURER REPORT - Marianne Agudo**

Communication: Jeanette Hensley, SCI sent an email that she had sent the Direct Charge file and information to El Dorado County Property Tax Div. along with confirmation email from Joy Shaw stating that it was received and loaded without errors. Jeanette also sent a file of current property owners to us for our use.

CSDA - Streamline Agreement: CSDA notified us that they no longer influence what the pricing will be for CSDs. This takes effect August 21st, 2021. We have already submitted Streamline's invoice for payment and hope we will not see an increase for this fiscal year.

Invoices: Crowton's Invoices #3, #4, #5, #6; reimburse M. Agudo for Appropriation Limit publication in Mtn. Democrat; Streamline Web Service annual fee.

Budget and Gann Appropriation Limit will be brought up after Kathleen DeCurtis gives her report.

**BOARD OF DIRECTOR POSITION AVAILABLE – POSITION POSTED**

The notification to our membership has been posted as of 8/1/2021. No one has stepped forward indicating they would like to fill this position within the required time. This position can now be filled by appointment. If anyone knows of someone that would be a good candidate, please reach out to them and have them contact Don Weiland.

Louie Manzon had a question about the website. There is some confusion between the Facebook page and our official website. Louie said we always have the same people attending our meetings. He suggested that we use the website to remind our members that if we cannot fill the position El Dorado County will appoint a registered voter within our community. Lee Gardner suggested we repost, but use large bold letters with just the position. Discussion was tabled in the interest of time.

#### 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.

#### Proposed Projects:

Finish the original proposed work (Lazy Brook from Lynx to the end) at the end of our fiscal year when we have enough money to do this. The cost to do this will be \$14,576 using 65 cents per sq ft. Don Weiland said his church is having parking lot work done and the person doing it seems to be reasonable. He suggested reaching out and seeing if he could do some work for us and what it would cost. Kathleen reiterated that we do not have the money in the bank to do any major work now and we will have to wait until June 2022.

Fill potholes on Chrysler from first intersection with Johntown Creek to intersection with Providence and do necessary repair on Lazy Brook from Lynx to the end. This should hold until they can be chip and sealed. Proposed cost \$4,000.

Kathleen proposed that we use RAP to put a hard surface on the turnaround at the end of Lynx Road. Don Weiland felt that 2 truckloads should be sufficient to do this. It costs \$400.00/load. She suggested appropriating \$1,200 in case a 3<sup>rd</sup> truckload is needed. Don will do the tractor work.

Street Signs – Many of our signs are unreadable or worn. 13 street signs need to be replaced as well as 1 stop sign at the first Chrysler intersection with Johntown Creek. To replace these signs will cost a little under \$1,000. She also said the set screws that hold the signs have rusted and need to be replaced. General consensus is stainless steel set screws would be appropriate. Don Weiland said that he would see what he could do about getting them.

Road striping - Kathleen is concerned that some of the current lines are very hard to see. She would like to have a work group of 4 or 5 people to restripe the areas in need. She proposed allocating \$200 to cover the cost of traffic spray paint. Gino Phillips said the roads need to be cleaned before painting or the paint will not last. Using an air compressor to clean the road should work but you will need a generator too. Don Weiland said the person doing his church parking lot is also striping it. Don Weiland will get the phone number for Kathleen to see if that might be feasible.

Bus Stop Conversion – Kathleen has allowed \$700.

Marianne Agudo said this would be a good time to go over the proposed budget that has had a few revisions from the approved preliminary budget. She explained that we have limited funds this fiscal year because of the large amount of road work already done. We receive revenue from Special Taxes twice a year – usually in December and May. There are two changes from

the preliminary budget that was approved at the July 20<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting. The changes from the approved preliminary budget are Road Maintenance went from \$93,700 to \$104,000 (increase of \$10,300) and the Bus Stop Conversion went from \$650 to \$700 (increase of \$50). A discussion about not doing the end of Lazy Brook until we can do Chrysler ensued. It was expressed that that part of Chrysler is drivable and isn't used by the majority of our members. Lee Gardner made a motion to approve the budget as presented. Frank Clark seconded. AYES 4 NAYS 0 1 vacant Motion passed.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Conversion of Bus Shelter – Louie has had a lot on his plate making it difficult to find time to work on the bus shelter. Louie will fabricate a door that is see-through as well as a protection for the glassless window. Louie said the lock for the door is not part of the proposed cost. He also said he will have to level the building and let it settle first because it is 1¼" out of level.

Gann (Appropriations Limit) - Marianne The proposed appropriation limit is \$476,466.00. Frank Clark made a motion to accept the proposed appropriation limit. Lee Gardner seconded. AYES 4 NAYS 0 1 vacant Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS - no new business

PUBLIC COMMENT: The need to increase our special tax was brought up. This sparked a discussion about how to go about this. There are two methods. One is the GVRECSO puts it on the ballot – this requires a 2/3 majority to pass. The other method is to have a concerned citizens group put it on the ballot – this requires one vote over 50% of votes. Some of the obstacles to get an increase were brought up as well as some methods to influence our registered voters. It was decided to table this to a later date.

The presence of Mountain Enterprise and their heavy equipment and possible damage to our roads was discussed.

ADJOURNMENT:@8:26 pm Motion to adjourn was made by Frank Clark and seconded by Lee Gardner. AYES 4 NAYS 0 1 vacant Passed

*2021 Meetings: special meeting Jan 18<sup>th</sup>, rescheduled meeting Feb19<sup>th</sup>, special meetings March 26<sup>th</sup> and April 1, special meeting May 13<sup>th</sup>, special meeting July 27<sup>th</sup>, Aug 20<sup>th</sup>, Nov 19<sup>th</sup>*