



**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
STUDY SESSION FOR ASSESSMENT ELECTION
PAJARO DUNES GEOLOGIC HAZARD ABATEMENT DISTRICT
Meadow Room, Pajaro Dunes, 2661 Beach Road, Watsonville, CA 95076**

Saturday, March 11, 2017 9:00 a.m.

A. OPEN SESSION CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call

Bob Moore (P45) President
David Bower (P48) Director
Robert Allen Director

Jim Griffin (P9) Director
Mary Paige Director
Wendy Cumming, Clerk/Accountant/Secretary

All present

B. MEMBER COMMENTS

Matters under the jurisdiction of the Board and not on the posted agenda, may be addressed by members of the public before the Board for consideration. However, California law prohibits the Board from taking action on any matter which is not on the posted agenda unless it is determined to be an emergency by the Board of PDGHAD. Any person wishing to address the Board during the Member Comment period shall be permitted to be heard for up to 3 minutes, A) individuals may speak only once and B) the Board is unable to address any owner comments in depth, but may choose to direct the Clerk to follow-up on the matter for a future meeting.

Member Steve Erickson spoke in that he wished the Board success in the seawall repair process.

C. STUDY SESSION FOR ASSESSMENT ELECTION

- The board will meet to discuss and provide direction to the District’s attorney/clerk/accountant on a potential assessment election. No formal action will be taken at this study session.

President Moore commented that Kasunich said they would not be the engineer unless the district puts in the sheet pile wall, which is a \$20-\$30 million dollar project. They were concerned about the liability they would incur, and they would require a \$20-\$30 million dollar indemnification if the District took another route.

There was much discussion on the barriers to implementing the repair project, including the removal of the rocks, relationship with the County, the challenges in working with the Coastal Commission. The District cannot move forward unless the demands of the County are met, but the County will not respond to phone calls and letters requesting their assistance to resolve the open issues.

David Bower walked through the budgets and charts provided to the board.

Mary Paige provided a draft budget of her own. The Board discussed the various budgets. David Bower explained that there were eleven versions of the budget presented, and the numbers were based on actual expenses of the District and what the expense shortcomings were.

Bob Moore said he would follow up with ARUP and provide the original benefit allocation and see if they would support the allocation. Bob asked Carol Turley to see if she could find out who other special districts are using for their engineers, who prepare the benefit allocation.

David will get together with Wendy or update the budget numbers based on current expenses. The budget will be revised to include a 200k fee estimate to pay for a one time only engineers benefit assessment, which will be used for future budgets.

Bob Moore will get together with ARUP with the original benefit assessment to see if they'll accept that report.

Mary Paige asked to have the clerk and accountant costs.

Bob asked that the clerk resumes that Wendy and Mary have been provided to the board, and have the two individuals come to the next meeting.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Motion for adjournment by seconded by David Bower, seconded by Rob Allen approved by all.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

Attest: _____

Wendy Cumming
Clerk of the Board
Pajaro Dunes Geologic Hazard
Abatement District