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**Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, February 13, 2018**  
**4:00 pm ~ 1469 East Valley Road**

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**Approved Minutes**

**Present:** Abatemarco, Bianchi, Blue, Ghersen, Hayman, King, Kolb, Mathews, Orloff, Pattillo, Rosen, van Duinwyk, Waldinger - **Absent:** Hyatt, Nagel, Saltoun

**I. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum**

The meeting was called to order at order at 4:18 p.m.

**II. Report of the Officer Nominating Committee**

van Duinwyk provided the following slate of officers of the Board for election by the 2018 Board: Charlene Nagel, President; Harry Kolb, First Vice President; Peter van Duinwyk, Second Vice President; Dr. Barbara Mathews, Secretary; Michele Saltoun, Treasurer.

**III. Election of Officers -MSC King/Bianchi, unanimous**

**IV. Approval of Minutes of November 14, 2017**

MSC Rosen/Kolb, unanimous (Ghersen abstained)

**V. Public Comments for Items Not on Agenda - Nothing to report.**

**VI. County Representatives**

- A. Das Williams, First District Supervisor spoke of the challenges of post fire and storm recovery including debris removal. Spoke of public safety, funding and staffing needs for future events.
- B. Robert Lewin, Director of Santa Barbara County Office of Emergency Management, reported that getting debris basins and channels cleaned out and homes habitable is the current priority. There are plans for a rebuild summit with topics to include storm readiness, traffic issues and tree protection.
- C. Matt Pontes, Santa Barbara County Director of Recovery, reported that Federal, State and local resources have all come together on recovery efforts. Individual parcels have case managers. Geological analytics and surveys are in progress. "Like for like" rebuilding does not make sense in that some parcels will need to be further away from channels and on higher ground. The public has expressed a desire for a memorial park, pedestrian trails, parks and undergrounding utilities. Mr. Pontes answered questions from the Board and the general public. Topics included funding for new debris basins, at risk properties eligible for compensation,

property values, end of incident time line and terminology, evacuation triggers, re-opening of roads, bridges, traffic volumes, erosion and tree care, debris removal, future incident hazards, air quality, water concerns, sediment, fast tracking for private bridges and public bridge design. Most concerns will be and are addressed on the County website [www.sbcounty.org](http://www.sbcounty.org) and on the new interactive Planning and Development map.

## **VII. Community Reports**

Anthony Ranii, Superintendent of Montecito Union School, reported on students returning to regular school schedules with counseling available. The school is providing seventeen months of grace for displaced families. The school is also preparing for future disaster events by establishing shelter-in-place areas and busing options.

Dr. Amy Alzina, Superintendent of Cold Spring School, expressed gratitude for community support. Two students and six family members were lost in the mudflow incident. They school was open before official reentry allowing for a compassion center providing mental health support for parents, students and staff. The school is also working on a safety plan.

Chief Hickman, Montecito Fire Protection District, reported on a busy time for the district. Gratitude for Federal, State, community and inter agency support. The district could lose a tenth of its budget in property taxes and will be looking a very conservative fiscal approach.

Lt. Brian Thielst, Santa Barbara County Sheriff was applauded for his staff's coverage and protection during the incident. Work continues for the protection of person and property.

## **VIII. Conference Agenda**

### **A. Crown Castle Cell Site Draft Letter**

Hayman provided background. The Montecito Association Land Use Committee recommends a draft letter to be sent to the Montecito Planning Commission. MSC Kolb/Abatemarco, unanimous

## **IX. Committee Reports**

Events, History, Land Use, Outreach and Recovery to report next month due to meeting time constraints.

Transportation-Rosen reported on improved Amtrak service between Ventura and points north. Caltrans plans to complete the Hwy 101 Carpinteria corridor expansion a year ahead of schedule. Funding continues to be a priority for the Hwy 101 expansion project through Montecito.

## **X. Executive Director's Report**

Marcillac reported on the office operation while under two mandatory evacuations and the office computer system upgrade which enables remote access.

## **XI. New Business / Old Business - Nothing to report.**

## **XII. Adjournment -The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 13, 2018, 4 p.m.