

**SOUTHERN SANDOVAL COUNTY ARROYO FLOOD CONTROL AUTHORITY
(SSCAFCA)
MINUTES OF AUGUST 20, 1991
REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the SSCAFCA Board of Directors was called to order by Chairperson Judy-Vanderstar Russell at 1:02 p.m.

Directors in attendance were Judy Vanderstar Russell, John Chaney, Fred Coppola, and Guy McDowell. A quorum was declared present. Annette Jones arrived at 1:04 p.m. Bernard Metzgar, legal counsel, was present. Others present were Jerry Fossenier, City Engineer, City of Rio Rancho; Carl Berglund, Planning & Zoning Administrator, Village of Corrales and members of the public. Staff members present were Richard Ramsey, Executive Director, and Pam McGrath, Administrative Secretary.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

Motion by John Chaney, seconded by Guy McDowell, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 16, 1991, as written and presented, carried unanimously.

Motion by John Chaney, seconded by Fred Coppola, to approve the minutes of the special meeting of July 31, 1991, as written and presented, carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Guy McDowell requested under other business that the Board consider buying a 4-wheel drive vehicle for the office. Judy Vanderstar Russell under the chairperson's report requested including letter from Village of Corrales and meeting dates; under new business include endorsement of "Preliminary Needs Assessment and General Flood Control Program" as the Board's guideline; and under other business, discussion of a loan from Interstate Stream Commission for the Sandoval County Flood Commissioner for Dams 1 and 4.

Motion by Annette Jones, seconded by Guy McDowell, to approve the agenda as revised, carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Annette Jones to make a \$15,000 deposit to the fixed expense account was seconded by Fred Coppola. Motion withdrawn because it was not needed.

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Annette Jones stated that she has not met with Ben Torres yet. She will keep the Board informed of future progress.

The Board requested that the treasurer's report be available one week before the meeting for review by the Board members.

Motion by Fred Coppola, seconded by John Chaney, to table approval of the treasurer's report until the next meeting was passed unanimously by roll call vote.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

John Chaney informed the Board that Richard Farmer had completed the draft History of SSCAFCA and a copy is in each Board members folder.

EROSION CONTROL PROGRAM

A program by Stephen Zawkiewicz of American Excelsior was presented to the Board regarding erosion control by use of the tri-lock system. This is one of the many alternatives to concrete lining in canals and channels.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Judy Vanderstar Russell informed the Board that the History of SSCAFCA by Richard Farmer is a draft and requested each Board member to look it over. This document will be discussed at the next meeting for adoption by the Board.

Judy Vanderstar Russell requested that the public treat the area around the employees desks as a private office.

1. Taxpayer Association Letter. Bernard Metzgar, legal counsel, discussed the content of the letter with the Board. After a discussion by the Board, it was decided that the letter will be answered by Judy Vanderstar Russell.

There was a motion by Fred Coppola, seconded by Annette Jones, to have Dr. Richard Heggen next on the agenda, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by John Chaney, seconded by Fred Coppola, to have Dr. Richard Heggen stay until the presentation of the Northwest Sector Plan by Carl Berglund was made. It was determined that no motion was necessary on this matter.

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DRAINAGE POLICY

Dr. Heggen informed the Board that he had been out of his office and had been unable to review the comments on the drainage policy. The Chairperson appointed a committee consisting of John Chaney; Fred Coppola; Judy Vanderstar Russell- alternate; and Richard Ramsey, Executive Director to review with Dr. Heggen and comment on the Drainage Policy. These comments will be discussed at the next regular meeting.

A copy of the Drainage Plan incorporating Dr. Heggen's latest comments of July 11, 1991 will be typed and sent to Dr. Heggen and committee members.

NORTHWEST SECTOR PLAN

Carl Berglund, Planning & Zoning Administrator, Village of Corrales, briefly pointed out areas of concern to the Board. A brief discussion followed. The deadline for the new draft is September 3, 1991.

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2. Letter From Village of Corrales. Judy Vanderstar Russell read the letter from the Village of Corrales requesting that SSCAFCA allow Dr. Heggen to work with their planning and zoning administrator on the prudent line concept.

Mr. Steve Brand, Councillor from the Village of Corrales, reiterated the request from the Village of Corrales as being one of importance to SSCAFCA and the Village of Corrales .

A motion by John Chaney to have Dr. Heggen review the Northwest Sector Plan and report back to the Board regarding his opinions on the hydrology section, was seconded by Fred Coppola. Roll call vote: John Chaney, yes; Guy McDowell, yes; Fred Coppola, yes; Annette Jones, no; Judy Vanderstar Russell, no. Passed 3 to 2.

Judy Vanderstar Russell stated for the record: "My no vote is based on philosophy, that I am concerned about this Board micromanaging municipalities concerns and I am concerned that this Board is going to get itself into a situation where we will be spending a great deal of money managing different municipality concerns in terms of drainage and then we won't have the money to perform any large scale projects and that was my reason for voting no." Annette Jones stated that she was of the same opinion as the chairperson.

3. Joe Lang's Letter. Judy Vanderstar Russell informed the Board that a copy of this letter along with Mr. Westbrook's letter was sent to Mr. Metzgar. Mr. Metzgar reported that he had been unable

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to meet with Mr. Westbrook. Mr. Metzgar then discussed the Board's responsibility according to the Statute.

Judy Vanderstar Russell reported that she talked to Joe Lang, and they agreed to let the attorneys handle the matter.

Judy Vanderstar Russell stated that Mr. Metzgar's report was strictly a progress report and that no action is required at this time.

4. Letter from Rio Rancho. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed to reply to the City of Rio Rancho that SSCAFCA is very concerned about this issue and is addressing it with upmost efficiency.

5. Building Lease. Judy Vanderstar Russell informed the Board that a request for lease proposals had been advertised, with a closing date of August 26, 1991.

6. Meetings. Judy Vanderstar Russell requested that the Board consider meeting twice a month to address all the business being brought before the Board. After a discussion, the Board decided to keep meeting dates the same for another month.

CORRALES STREET PROJECT

Richard Ramsey stated that he had a note from Roger Paul informing him that the work will be starting later this week.

URBAN PONDS PROJECT

Motion by John Chaney, seconded by Fred Coppola, to take the urban ponds project off the table carried unanimously.

John Chaney stated that Richard Ramsey had been working on a plan to divert water from the urban ponds into the Skyview Channel. The water that accumulates in the ponds during major storms could then be diverted away from Corrales. A cost analysis was done by Richard Ramsey. John Chaney stated that the amount was slightly less than implementing the original Easterling plan. Two problems encountered were: 1) the expense of installing a pipe under Sara Road and, 2) Intel will not grant permission for SSCAFCA to use their channel.

John Chaney, with endorsement from the Board, requested Richard Ramsey to formally request the use of Intel's private channel for the Urban Ponds Project. It should be stipulated in the letter that this request is for informational purpose only as the Board is exploring this as an option.

Richard Ramsey pointed out the fact that the Tree Farm urban pond, known as pond "C", is owned by AMREP.

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FLOOD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Flood Commissioner Johnnie Losack encouraged the Board to get started on a bond issue so the Board could get established.

Annette Jones suggested that the Board create a committee of two members plus Richard Ramsey to start exploring possible bond issues. The Board agreed to appoint a committee consisting of: Annette Jones, Judy Vanderstar Russell and Richard Ramsey.

Johnnie Losack stated that he would work with the committee as much as possible.

FEMA GRANT

Richard Ramsey informed the Board that FEMA has given tentative approval to the grant and the final proposal is ready to be mailed. The Board's commitment to this project is necessary before sending the proposal to FEMA.

Richard Ramsey stated that Board approval was needed because of the question of ownership on Dam #1. A discussion followed.

Motion by John Chaney to submit the proposal to FEMA for funding engineering designs and also commitment to carrying out the project to conclusion, was seconded by Annette Jones. A discussion regarding the ownership of the dams followed.

Bernard Metzgar clarified to the Board that if the ownership of the dam is private, SSCAFCA would have to work with the owner in order to carry out the commitment. John Chaney withdrew his motion.

Motion by Annette Jones for the Board to submit a proposal for funding of an engineering design through FEMA and that this is also a commitment to carry out the project to conclusion was seconded by Guy McDowell. Roll call vote: John Chaney, abstain; Guy McDowell, yes; Fred Coppola, abstain; Annette Jones, yes; Judy Vanderstar Russell, yes. Passed 3 to 0 with two abstentions.

ENDORSE PRELIMINARY NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Annette Jones moved and Guy McDowell seconded a motion to re-endorse the "Preliminary Needs Assessment" as a policy document and guideline for Richard Ramsey. A short discussion followed.

Judy Vanderstar Russell informed the Board that the re-endorsement of the "Preliminary Needs Assessment" would give Richard Ramsey guidelines for his daily efforts.

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Roll call vote: John Chaney, yes; Guy McDowell, yes; Fred Coppola, abstain; Annette Jones, yes; Judy Vanderstar Russell, yes. Motion passed 4 to 0 with one abstention.

LOAN FROM INTERSTATE STREAMS COMMISSION FOR DAMS 1 AND 4

Judy Vanderstar Russell informed the Board the only reason for the subject was to get a consensus from the Board supporting the Flood Commissioner and his request for the loan.

Annette Jones moved to support the Flood Commissioner on his request for a loan from the Interstate Stream Commission, and that Mr. Ramsey go to the Interstate Stream Commission hearing to participate in the request was seconded by Guy McDowell. Roll call vote: John Chaney, no; Guy McDowell, yes; Fred Coppola, no; Annette Jones, yes; Judy Vanderstar Russell, yes. Passed 3 to 2.

A motion by Annette Jones to table the discussion for a 4-wheel drive vehicle for SSCAFCA to the next meeting was seconded by John Chaney and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Richard Ramsey reported he was appointed to serve on a task force to represent SSCAFCA on the Volcan Corridor study committee. A public meeting is scheduled September 16, 1991 in Rio Rancho, place and time to be announced later. Mr. Ramsey distributed maps of the study area to members of the Board.

Richard Ramsey announced that Dianne Leatherwood from FEMA would be at the Sandoval County Courthouse at 9:00 a.m., August 21, 1991.

COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS

Fred Coppola stated he is working on a revised joint powers agreement with Sandoval County and the Flood Commissioner. He would like to discuss this at the next meeting. A copy of the proposed revision was given to Bernard Metzgar for comment.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Althea Davidson gave a short talk in which she pointed out the fact that many of the negative comments about SSCAFCA operations had come from people who were safe from floods. She felt SSCAFCA should hear from residents who had suffered flood damage and who were happy to see SSCAFCA formed. She hoped SSCAFCA would not be discouraged by the people who were against SSCAFCA.

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The Board of Directors went into closed session at 6:40 p.m. to evaluate the Executive Director for his performance over the past ninety (90) days.

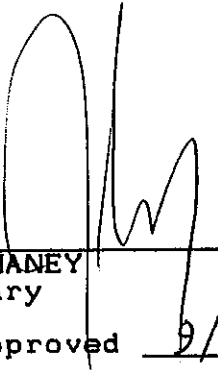
The Board of Directors reconvened into open session at 7:41 p.m.

Motion by John Chaney to table action of Richard Ramsey's evaluation till next meeting was seconded by Fred Coppola. Roll call vote: John Chaney, yes; Guy McDowell, yes; Fred Coppola, yes; Annette Jones, no; Judy Vanderstar Russell, yes. Passed 4 to 1.

Judy Vanderstar Russell informed Richard Ramsey that the Board was submitting a list of duties to him for his approval. This item will be taken up at the next board meeting.


ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Annette Jones, seconded by John Chaney, to adjourn the meeting was carried unanimously by roll call vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.



JOHN CHANEY
Secretary

Date Approved 9/17/91



JUDY VANDERSTAR RUSSELL
Chairperson