CALL TO ORDER.

The regular meeting of the SSCAFCA Board of Directors was called to order by James Fahey, Chairman, at 9:03 am.

ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS.

Directors in attendance were James Fahey, John Chaney, Michael Obrey and Steve House. Mark Conkling was absent. Charles Thomas, Executive Engineer was present, as well as Charles Garcia, attending as SSCAFCA’s attorney. Members of the public were also present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

An announcement was made by Chairman Fahey that all electronic devices needed to be turned off during the meeting and that the microphones are voice activated.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

The Board was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Chairman Fahey.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

A motion was made by Steve House to approve the Agenda as presented. It was seconded by John Chaney and passed unanimously.


A motion was made by Steve House to accept the minutes of October 19, 2018 as presented. It was seconded by John Chaney and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM.

None.

STAFF REPORTS.

Executive Engineer:

Mr. Thomas stated that this Resolution is for support of the Rio Rancho Sportsplex erosion control project, which is funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. This project is to address encroachment of the Montoyas Arroyo into the Sportsplex facilities. The City of Rio Rancho (CORR) has requested this resolution of support to include in their construction funding application, as the CORR will need a temporary access easement from SCAFCA for the contractor to work on the project. Mr. Thomas stated that this resolution does not obligate SCAFCA to any specific action and it does not commit SCAFCA to provide any funds for the project.

A motion was made by John Chaney to approve Resolution 2018-17. It was seconded by Michael Obrey. Roll call vote: James Fahey, yes; John Chaney, yes; Steve House, yes; Michael Obrey, yes. The motion carried 4-0.


Mr. Thomas indicated that this is a continuation of a new plan to provide a storm report to the Board after every significant rain event. Mr. Thomas introduced the Senior Hydrologist, Gerhard Schoener.

Mr. Schoener stated that this was an atypical storm event that did not cause extensive damage because it occurred over two days with generally low intensity rainfall. The total rainfall from this event ranged from 1.5 – 2.1 inches of rain. The recurrence interval for this storm ranged from the Annual Storm up to the 10-yr storm over the course of the two-day period. Although the peak flows were minor and never exceeded 40 cfs at the Sportsplex monitoring station, the total volume measured was more significant at approximately 40 acre-feet.

3. Presentation on Current and Planned Projects

Mr. Thomas presented an update on current active projects. These projects are divided into several categories, including; projects in construction; projects in design; real property acquisition projects, planning and resource projects; and, funding applications.

Mr. Thomas stated that the projects currently under construction include the Black Arroyo Trail Repair; Lower Montoyas Grade Control Structure #3 Repair; Lisbon Channel Improvements; Rainbow Pond; Montego Court Improvements; Lomitas Negras Phase 2; and, the Black Arroyo Bridge Protection.

The projects under design include the Lisbon Dam and Channel Improvements; Cactus Ponds; Industrial Water Quality Project; Lomitas Negras Phase 3; Upper Bosque de Bernalillo; and, the Lower Venada Channel.

The real property acquisition projects include the Black Arroyo Wildlife Park; the Southern Conveyance; the High Range Pond; the Aloe Pond; the Teak Open Space; and, the Calabacillas Playa project.

The planning/resource projects include the Tributary A Dam for Unit 10; the Arroyo Safety outreach Project; Jurisdiction-wide Inundation Mapping; and, the Montoyas Hydrology Review Project.

Finally, the funding applications include the Badger Dam; Lower Montoyas Bank Stabilization;
and, the Star Heights Drainage Improvements.

In closing, Mr. Thomas stated the projects are using a combination of Federal, State and local funds and all staff are very busy.

4. Development Review

Mr. Thomas stated that there is nothing particularly significant to note, except that the Vista Redondo subdivision will be the first development within the Zia Watershed, which drains onto Zia Pueblo lands.

Fiscal Services Director:


Mr. Thomas stated that Ms. Casaus is in training and would provide the report. Mr. Thomas indicated that General Fund expenditures fiscal year-to-date through October 31, 2018 amount to 25% of the total available budget for the year. We are currently 33% through Fiscal Year 2019.

There were 29 Single-Family Residential permits issued by the City of Rio Rancho for the month of September. Finally, she stated that interest was earned on funds invested in State Treasurer's Office local government program at a rate of 2.14% for the month of September. The current yield on a 90-day U.S. Treasury bill is 2.34%.

In response to a question from the Board, Mr. Thomas stated that establishing a reserve fund at the State Treasurer's Office would not likely be protected from any potential State clawback of reserves.

A motion was made by Michael Obrey to accept the Fiscal Services Report for October 31, 2018 as presented. It was seconded by John Chaney and passed unanimously.

Facility Operations Director

1. Action/Approval to Close Public Comment Period for SSCAFCA’s MS4 Annual Report for the 2017-2018 reporting cycle.

Mr. Gatterman stated that he is requesting action to close the public comment period for the current MS4 annual report. Mr. Gatterman stated that we have not received any comments from the public. In response to a question from the Board, Mr. Gatterman stated that we are in full compliance with the permit.

A motion was made by Steve House to accept the acquisition of this property as presented. It was seconded by Michael Obrey and passed unanimously.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS.

None.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT.
None.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

None.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS.

In response to a question from the Board, there has been no action on the Rio Rancho Golf Course property. Mr. Thomas stated that his understanding is that the developer is still working with the New Mexico Environment Department for closure of the existing discharge permit.

PROPERTY MATTERS.

1. Action/Acceptance – U08, Blk 99, Lot 74 – 1.80 acres – Tributary D Diversion

   Mr. Thomas stated that this is for the Tributary D diversion project, aka the Southern Conveyance. The presence of the large regional gas lines will require storm flows to be diverted into the Calabacillas upstream of Southern Blvd.

2. Action/Acceptance – U13, Blk 76, Lots 1, 2, 4, 5, & 6 – 6.95 acres - High Range Pond

   Mr. Thomas stated that the parcels are for the newly identified High Range pond. This pond is one part of the Lomitas Negras Phase 3 Drainage Improvements and is necessary to address upstream development as well as reduce peak flows downstream.

   In response to a question from the Board, Mr. Thomas confirmed that we did obtain complete appraisals on each property.

   A motion was made by John Chaney to accept the acquisition of both sets of property as presented. It was seconded by Michael Obrey and passed unanimously.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

1. Rio Rancho Observer Article, “Mariposa Residents Resist Zone Change Effort,”
2. Corrales Comment Article, “Solar Farm will Generate 2 Megawatts by Summer,”
3. Corrales Comment Article, “East Ella Floods Again,”

OTHER BUSINESS.

- Next Regular Board Meeting is on Friday, December 21, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Fahey at 10:10 am.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 16, 2018

MICHAEL OBREY
Chair Pro Tem
DATE APPROVED: 12/21/2018

JAMES FAHEY
Chairman