



## The Special Districts Association of Monterey County

The SDA of Monterey County will convene for our Regular Quarterly Meeting

**Date:** Tuesday, October 19, 2021

**Time:** 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

**Location:** BAYONET BLACK HORSE GOLF COURSE  
CLUB HOUSE – 1 McClure Way, Seaside  
(on the former Ft. Ord)

Directions: Take the Lightfighter Drive Exit off Highway 1 - Stay on Lightfighter Drive until you get to General Jim Moore Blvd. Turn RIGHT on General Jim Moore and go about 2.2 miles to McClure Way. The driveway is on your right. The meeting room is at the rear of the Club House to the left.

**Dinner:** German Buffet includes potato salad, lentil soup, marinated beet and root vegetable with goat cheese vinaigrette, beef goulash, veal schnitzel, sausage and peppers, spatzle, glazed carrots, creamed spinach, potatoes au gratin, and German chocolate cake. Water, iced tea, and coffee provided.

Cost: **\$40.00** per person

PLEASE BRING PAYMENT TO DINNER checks payable to  
*"The Special Districts Association of Monterey County"*

**RSVP:** To Paula Riso at [priso@mcwd.org](mailto:priso@mcwd.org)  
PLEASE RESPOND BY THURSDAY, October 15, 2021

We encourage your District Directors, Commissioners and General Managers to attend.



**AGENDA**  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION  
OF MONTEREY COUNTY



Tuesday, October 19, 2021

1. – Call to Order, welcome, introductions: President Mary Ann Leffel
2. – Serve yourself buffet dinner
3. – Speaker: Senator Anna Caballero, Senate District 12
4. – Approval of Minutes from the July 20, 2021 meeting
5. – New/Old Business:
  - a. Appoint Nominating Committee for 2022 Officers
6. – Informational Reports:
  - a. Legislative Chair Report – Vince Ferrante
  - b. Finance Committee Chair Report – Rick Verbanec
  - c. CSDA Coastal Network 5 Representative Report – Vince Ferrante/Charlotte Holifield
  - d. LAFCO Representative Report – Kate McKenna, Executive Director
  - e. Other Reports –
7. – Members comments:
8. – Suggested topics and/or speakers for next agenda; next meeting date; location:

Bayonet Blackhorse Golf Course Club House  
Tuesday, January 18, 2022, 6:00 pm
9. – Adjournment

Minutes: **July 20, 2021 Special Districts Association Meeting**

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The Special Districts Association of Monterey County (SDAMC) met in-person on July 20, 2021 at the Bayonet and Black Horse Golf Course Clubhouse in Seaside.

Mike Urquides and Dave Sargenti, Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief of Monterey County Regional Fire District, made a presentation on wildfires and the impact on fire insurance. Insurance companies are requesting the State allow a 100% increase in premiums to break even in high severity zones. If the State does not approve the increases, insurance companies will drop coverage. Insurance options for property owners include diversifying insurance coverage, maintaining legacy coverage, high premium or high deductible plans, and the California Fair Plan, the insurer of last resort. Fire Districts can reach out to insurance companies and describe local mitigation measures like fuel reduction efforts, building clearance requirements and fire-resistant building materials. Zip codes are used to identify bad areas. The Chiefs also described the Firewise program, which is a voluntary program sponsored by the National Fire Protection Association for rural areas that concentrates on fuel reduction and may help neighborhoods, as small as 8 homes, qualify for block grant fire protection funding.

Vince Ferrante reported the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) annual conference will be in person in Monterey August 30<sup>th</sup> through September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Charlotte Holifield, CSDA Public Affairs Field Coordinator for the coastal zone, reported \$100 Million was included in the State budget for Special Districts COVID relief. Districts that received direct funding relief previously will not be eligible.

Kate McKenna reported the Monterey County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) is requiring an independent financial review of the application from Monterey Peninsula Water Management District to activate a latent power to deliver potable water. The work should be completed by September and a LAFCO public hearing should be scheduled in October or December. One issue is the property tax collected by local jurisdictions from California American Water would not be paid by a public agency. The City of Soledad and Gonzalez are in the process of applying for a substantial boundary expansion.

The next SDAMC meeting is scheduled for October 19, 2021 at 6:00 pm at the Bayonet and Black Horse Golf Course Clubhouse in Seaside.

Mike Niccum, PBCSD General Manager  
Rick Verbanec, SDAMC Sec'y/Treas

