



CARMEL AREA WASTEWATER DISTRICT
BRIDGE TO EVERYWHERE(BTE)
STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES

September 25, 2024, Wednesday 12:45 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 12:47 p.m.

Present: President Ken White

Other Attendees:

Barbara Buikema, General Manager
Patrick Treanor, District Engineer
Mayor Dave Potter, City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
Greg D'Ambrosio, Friends of Mission Trail Nature Preserve
Laura Bowling, Friends of Mission Trail Nature Preserve
Paul Bartow, Citizen Representative
Sam Farr, Retired Representative U.S. Congress
Katherine Wallace, Associate Planner, City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
Sean Edwards, River School Parent Teacher Organization
Megan Dobyns, River School Parent Teacher Organization

Absent: Director Mike Rachel
Doug Schmitz, Friends of Mission Trail Nature Preserve

- 1. Appearances/Public Comments:** *Anyone wishing to address the Committee on a matter not appearing on the agenda may do so now. Public comment shall be limited to 3 minutes per person per topic. No action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda.*
- 2. Agenda Changes:** *Any requests to move an item on the agenda will be considered at this time.*

There were no agenda changes

General Discussion Items:

3. Discussion of the recent communication with the City of Carmel-by-the Sea :

The City was asked to hold off on contacting Monterey Peninsula Regional Parks District (MPRPD) regarding Rio Park, until the District contacted them first.

The City was asked what are the conditions of disposal?

They are currently moving chips to Mission Trail and roughly quarter remain.

A Motion was made to keep working with the City and MPRPD on Rio Park regarding transfer of land and cleanup. First: Sam Farr, Second: Greg D'Ambrosio

4. Adoption Of The Bridge To Everywhere Position Regarding The Golf Course On The City's Rio Park Property And The Potential Impacts On The Carmel Area Wastewater District's (CAWD) Plant And The Carmel River Greenway:

Letter was sent to Mr. Warren and Mr. Shipnuck indicating that CAWD was not interested in turning Rio Park into a golf links. Katherine Wallace will get back to us to confirm if we need an opinion from the City.

5. Requesting Status Update on the Logo Trademark:

Laura Bowling will provide a progress update: None received yet.

6. Report On Potential Meeting With Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District (MPRPD) Board On October 3, 2024 (corrected date: October 2, 2024)

- Who is next organization to meet with :
 - City Council – after Park District meeting on October 2nd the committee will meet with City
 - Carmel Mission – committee will work on setting up with Mission
 - Carmel Rotary – Ken White & Dave Potter will work on setting this up

7. Rio Park Clean Up

- Mayor Potter report on cleanup of Rio Park-date certain – the City will make a commitment after they know for certain disposition of Rio Park.

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8. Future identifiable Project Expenditures:

- Clean up stock piles
- Complete a protected species field survey report and map
- Trimming, Mowing and general clean up
- Logs and spoils
- Grading to make a safe site
- Property Survey
- Water
- Initial trail layout

9. BTE Outreach:

Paul Bartow will provide an update local outreach:

Update on a universal informational flyer – copy is not yet written. Paul Bartow will write copy for all Mission Fields properties

10. Other

Sam Farr asked for a status report on Coastal Conservancy grant request. Mr. Treanor indicated he will follow up on this.

Informal discussion with Park District regarding funding followed.

Next meeting will be in October/November

- 11. ADJOURNMENT:** *The next Bridge To Everywhere meeting is typically scheduled for the third Wednesday of the month. The next Bridge To Everywhere meeting will occur on October 16, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. The next regular Board meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, October 31, 2024, in person and via teleconference webinar. The teleconference webinar is hosted through Zoom and you may receive access by visiting our website homepage, www.cawd.org, calling the District office at 831-624-1248 or via email at downstream@cawd.org.*

AS REPORTED TO:



Barbara Buikema, General Manager

APPROVED: 
Ken White, President of the Board

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