

NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

ADJOURNED MEETING - NOVEMBER 26, 1991

BOARD PRESENT

David Manriquez  
Steven Small  
Kathleen Fairbanks  
Alex Mendoza  
Gordon Gracia

STAFF PRESENT

Art Shaw, General Counsel  
Ryder Ray, General Manager

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

President Manriquez called the Adjourned Meeting to order and led all in the flag salute.

President Manriquez informed the audience that Rout 66 was in attendance and the tape of this meeting will be shown Sunday evening, December 1, 1991.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. REGULAR MEETING - NOVEMBER 20, 1991  
Minutes to be deferred to next meeting.

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

2. REVIEW STATE WATER PROJECT

- A. ORDINANCE PERMITTING PARTICIPATION

- B. RESOLUTION NOTIFYING COUNTY NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT WILL NOT PARTICIPATE

Chairman Manriquez opened the meeting for comments from the audience.

- D. Mullikin-Camino Caballo, stated she has lived in the District for 12 years and feels that we have a truly democratic system. She also said "I did not exercise my right to vote, but if I had, I would have voted against State Water".

Legal Counsel Shaw stated that there is a possible urgency ordinance, but we will not have an answer before the end of December. Mr. Shaw explained what happens when an ordinance is read.

Legal Counsel Shaw read Ordinance No. 91-64, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT REPEALING SECTION 2 9BINDING VOTE ON STATE WATER) OF ORDINANCE NO. 91-62'.

Former Board Member Jackie Neary suggested that the Board start looking for water in the District.

Dr. Blair, (outside District) stated that the water comes from ground water and the wrong people voted.

Charles Gulyash, (outside District) informed the Board that he had contributed to the flyer which was sent to members of the community just prior to the election. He also stated that the information in the flyer was accurate.

Ostrow (outside District) would like to have water.

Gregory - Camino Caballo, asked if the vote had been turned out would we be here?

Glenn Peck, Sr. (outside District) asked how many areas want state water? He also said that State Water could be used if there was someone who could guarantee water in the pipeline. He suggested that the Board get all the needed necessary information, as to who will pay for it. (Couldn't hear all of his remarks as there were numerous people talking at the same time).

Barbara Papageorge, said that the vote wasn't fair. She pays for 3 water bills but doesn't reside in the District so she didn't have a vote.

Dolores Dana remarked that people should think about the long range - the schools are crowded and water is needed. She also said that the Board has been trying to keep ahead of shortages. People from the North, South and East keep coming the area because of our ideal location and weather. She asked all to think of the long range plans with alternatives and not be too short-sighted, as it will cost too much.

Mr. Kelly - de-sal, de-sal plant.

Nancy Ybarra made the statement that they are rationing water in Los Angeles. Are we going to wait 20 years for water.

Kathryn Williams - 1-1/2 miles outside the District, and many of her neighbors are out of water. Twenty-four votes are not a plurality.

David Strew, "you're questioning the vote, insulting the people who voted against State Water and accused them of being misled. You bring shame on this community - stop the painful attack on people".

President Manriquez remarked that everyone is entitled to their own opinion. He also mentioned the fact that

the Board has studied the water problem for over two years. Some of the questions we have asked ourselves are what will it cost us, and what viable options do we have?

Barbara K. T. Haslam, 18 years in the District, 12 years on the Board and 10 years as President.

"I'm glad to see so many people here. Many people didn't come to the 5 public meetings that were held when the Board was discussing State Water and other sources of water.

All the Board and Manager Ray have tried to do was present the facts to the residents of the District.

(Too many people talking at once)

Peggy Miller - let the Board answer.

Nancy Ybarra - One point, the County of San Luis Obispo have proclaimed we have adequate water.

Chairman Manriquez we are in a position now of having 2200 afy. We have 2 wells that pump 5 or 600 afy, however the majority of our wells are outside the District.

He further explained that if the land owners want the water we might be in a serious situation. "We will continue to pursue water. Hopefully, we will not be in a drought conditions. Two or three projects could cut into our excess capacity. We will always be searching for wells. We will be as aggressive as possible.

Director Small said it would be at least 5 years before we get State Water, we can use as much water as we need to the year 2010 when our groundwater will be pumped to capacity.

People outside the District also want water from our District.

Putnam - "what is the cost of State Water when it comes"?

Manager Ray mentioned that he had talked to a gentleman from P.G.&E. who said that we would be installing another Diablo if we went for de-sal. For one thing it take a 500 hp motor to operate the plant and the high cost of energy would add to other costs.

Morro Bay has problems mixing their water with the brine.

Mr. Gulyash stated "we have no idea what State Water will cost". Once you have it - it will be here forever.

Barbara Haslam said, Mr. Gulyash I remember seeing a picture of you in 1979 with your finger over a faucet, and no running water.

Cecilia Fitzgerald "I have lived here for many years and I can't vote.

The Board has done an admirable job. We have the opportunity to have some insurance for our lives if we get State Water.

R. Ruff presented information on a flyer that had been sent out from the County of Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo stating how much water would be needed in 1991. (590,000 af) He also told all that State Water is not a reliable source of water as they had not fulfilled their requirements in other areas since 1987.

Mr. Luis said we don't have enough time for a re-vote.

Bill Mills said that water bills will have to go up even without State Water. Fifty-cents a unit has to be adjusted. \$20.00 a month from the sewer charge is now subsidizing the water.

Clay Banks- "I have lived here all of my life, you want to try to keep other out. Once you're here you want to close the door. Let's do what's right and plan for the future growth and development".

Bill Dana - "you guys got the heat - just do what's best for the District".

Sue Farris - I am not in the District and yet I have to pay for water. Each parcel owner should have a right to vote.

President Manriquez stated that the Board has not at this time decided what they will do.

Mr. Lewis - just go ahead and do what you're going to do. We lived through the process of sewerage the District, and it worked well. Let's have some water to put in our quality sewer system.

Legal Counsel Shaw stated that a legislative body can repeal an ordinance.

Bill Mills - if adjudication starts it will be 10 years

of a litigation and a cost of a million dollars or more to settle groundwater rights.

I thank the Board for putting up with all of us, and a Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Legal Counsel Shaw read Ordinance No. 91-64, "An Ordinance of the Nipomo Community Services District Repealing Section 2 (Binding Vote on State Water) of Ordinance No. 91-62.

Director Fairbanks moved, seconded by Director Mendoza and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES: Directors Fairbanks, Mendoza, Gracia and and Manriquez

NOES: Director Small

ABSENT:None

the ordinance was passed at the first reading.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

REQUESTED WATER AND SEWER SERVICE TO DANA MIDDLE SCHOOL

There appears no choice in the matter - a school is needed and we have to help. The property is behind the County Park.

Director Manriquez stated that at the present time we are trying to assess what our responsibilities are to people outside the District.

Director Fairbanks moved, seconded by Director Small to send a letter of intent to Lucia Mar School District advising them of our decision. Unanimously approved by the Board.

5. REQUEST FOR WATER SERVICE TO THE SUMMIT STATION AREA

There are a total of 80 people who live in the Summit Station area. They will be working on a rough district boundary. Nancy Ybarra said that we really want the District to serve water to us. She also mentioned that they have 5 people on a 5 gallon well. Not to good.

It was also pointed out that Cal. Cities will provide service to the area for \$8,000 a parcel .

Ryder said that if the Board elected to serve the area it would have to be annexed to the District.

Director Mendoza said, let's be patient and then

the process will move as fast as we can.

Director Fairbanks and Manriquez will serve on a sub-committee to work on what has to be done to serve the area.

6. DIRECTORS COMMENTS

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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