

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting
February 26, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

In Attendance: Board members: Peter Lane, Penny Wright-Mulligan, Patty Cerf, Doug Brown, Ron Hast, Peter Lane, Aaron Wangenheim, Suzanne Jolma., Rekha Dutt and Jeff Moseley. Approximately 70 Paradise Cay Homeowners and family members

President's Opening: Peter Lane delivered a welcome to the homeowners and recognized Larry Russell and Grace Livingston of 200 Martinique for their ongoing kind efforts of supplying water to our center plant island. Peter reminded the neighbors that there is no water located in the island, so without the Russell/Livingston ongoing donation we would not be able to maintain our beautiful plants (maintained by Ron Hast).

Peter also reported that Aaron Wangenheim has been communicating with the county in an attempt to get the PC roads replaced. Aaron reported that the county does recognize that they have deteriorated to the point that repair is not an option, that replacement is necessary. That being said we are not on the schedule. Aason asked that residents sign a petition type letter to the county so we can show the request of a large group of people.

Peter answered questions about the new flood zone maps. It is recommended that if interested each homeowner go to the county to check where individual property ended up on the new maps. Go to County Public Works in Room 304 of Civic Center. Peter has spent time investigating this and reported that most properties are in the flood zone but houses are not. The key is the height of the house. Flood insurance is only required to homebuyers with a federally backed mortgage.

Nominations and Election: Rekha Dutt, Sondra Blake and Brian Clahan were unanimously elected to the Board for a three year term. We have a full board going into 2009.

Treasurers Report: Patty Cerf reported that PCHA has \$23K in the bank as of the end of the fiscal year 2/2009. Dues are a little slow coming in this year, perhaps because the notices went out a little later. At least we all are hoping that is the case.

Patty also reminded everyone that our dues are used for many things, including maintaining the entrance on both sides along Antilles, palm tree trimming, center island plants, insurance, membership in Bay Planning Coalition, etc.

Dredging: Harry Blake reported and introduced his committee: Bob Cerf, Gene Royal, Eric Lyons and Pat Lopez. The next dredging is scheduled for summer of 2009. Both North and South Cay will be dredged. Current schedule is pre-dredging survey 1st week of March, bids out by March 31 (issued by the county) and target date to begin is end of June if all things go correctly. The Cay is on a three year dredging schedule. Dredging both North and South at same time saves money. Tax bill should be sufficient to cover for the near future.

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Disaster Preparedness: Jamie Sherman reported and reviewed the Get Ready program. Jamie passed around sign up sheets for classes and training. We all need the capability to shelter in place in the event of a disaster. Jamie also reported on the new water transportation task force, of which he is spear heading. This will coordinate ferries and other water vessels for use in emergencies. They are installing water tanks at Romberg Center and also locating helicopter pads around Marin. They are asking people with boats to register so that they have a list of who they can contact to help with rescue and handle issues if a disaster should strike.

Jamie reported that we are able to finish up and move forward with the purchase of the fire pump. Updates to follow.

There was a drawing to award 8 windup radio lights for disaster kits.

Guest Speakers: Dan Carney, MMWD

Dan Carney gave an interesting presentation on water conservation. MMMWD can do an audit of private home and make recommendations to help individuals conserve water. If one does the audit MMWD will install one of the new low flow shower heads free of charge. There is a rebate of up to \$200 for a high efficiency washer (rebate in partnership with PG&E). Virtually free high efficiency toilets. If a homeowner purchases a new tech 1 gal per flush high efficiency toilet the rebate is currently \$250.

Landscape program – New smart timers that change time automatically based on weather – currently a \$350 rebate. If a resident even cuts two minutes off of every station time they are saving lots of water (on a normal 10 minute water time they would be saving 20% of water).

Discussed rationing and tiered rate structure. So far no definitive answer on how rationing would work. With current rain we most likely will not have to ration this year, but we need to be looking to 2010 as the reservoirs are not full (about 78%) of capacity.

Q&A – Desal is being considered, but not definitive.

How the flow of water from the streams to the lakes is captured and could there be more. Larry Russell (neighbor and MMWD board member) explained the complexity and laws that prohibit MMWD from capturing more water than they already do. The salmon run is considered. We also get 25% of our water from a pipe from the Russian River. There are really no new sources of water for Marin so we do need to practice better conservation.

A Water Volunteer Roles & Plans sheet was handed out to the neighbors.

Meeting was Adjourned at 8:00 p.m.