

## BEACON BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Friday, July 20, 2018

**TIME:** 9:00 AM

**PLACE:** City of Carpinteria, Council Hearing Room  
5775 Carpinteria Avenue, Carpinteria, CA. 93013

<b>Item</b>	1	Call to Order, Roll Call and Introductions – Chair, Jon Sharkey
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		<p><b>Directors Present:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Steve Bennett (County of Ventura)</li> <li>• John Zaragoza (County of Ventura)</li> <li>• Das Williams (Santa Barbara County)</li> <li>• Janet Wolf (Santa Barbara County)</li> <li>• Kyle Richards (City of Goleta)</li> <li>• Gregg Hart (City of Santa Barbara)</li> <li>• Christy Weir (City of Ventura)</li> <li>• Jon Sharkey (City of Port Hueneme)</li> </ul>
<b>Item</b>	2	<b>Approval of Agenda and Filing of Certificate of Agenda Posting</b> Action: Approve and file
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		<b>Approved.</b>
<b>Item</b>	3	<b>Consideration and Approval of Minutes of the BEACON Meetings held on March 16, 2018.</b> Action: Approve and file.
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		<b>Approved.</b>
<b>Item</b>	4	<b>Public Comment and Other Matters not on the Agenda</b>
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		Tyler Buckingham from Peter Arebella Consulting introduced his company. The firm is originally from Ojai and specializes in securing local beach funding. The company has relationships in DC and can assist in public engagement efforts.
<b>Item</b>	5	<b>Reports</b> a. Reports from legislative offices. b. Board Members Reports and Updates.
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		None.
<b>Item</b>	6	<b>Auditor Controllers Recommended Actions</b> a. Adopt Recommended Final Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget. (Exhibits I) b. Authorize the Auditor-Controller’s Office to adjust contingency for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget where the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 actual year-end closing fund balance differs from the budget estimate. c. Approve membership dues for Fiscal Year 2018-2019. d. Receive and file the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget-to-Actual report for the year-to-date period ending June 30, 2018 (Exhibit II).
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		Mr. Omar Arreola of the Ventura County Auditor Controllers Office presented the Recommended Action Items. <b>BOARD ACTIONS:</b> <b>The Board approved all recommended items unanimously.</b>

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<b>Item</b>	7	<p><b>Approve and Authorize the Chair to Sign the FY 2018-2019 Annual Staff/Consultant Agreements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute the Technical Advisor Services Contract for an amount not to exceed \$22,000 with James A. Bailard for the term of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.</li> <li>b. Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute the Legal Services Contract for an amount not to exceed \$12,000 with County of Santa Barbara County Counsel’s Office for the term of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.</li> <li>c. Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute Auditor Services Contract for an amount not to exceed \$15,000 with County of Ventura Auditor-Controller’s Office for the term of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.</li> <li>d. Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute the Program Management Services Contract with COM3 Consulting for an amount not to exceed \$53,000 for the term of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.</li> <li>e. Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute the Strategic Planning and Grant Pursuit Services Contract with Marc Beyeler and Associates for an amount not to exceed \$21,500 for the term of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.</li> <li>f. Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute the Web Site and Facebook Page maintenance Services Contract with Pam Baumgardner for an amount not to exceed \$2,000 for the term of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.</li> <li>g. Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute the Biennial Audit Contract with Fedak &amp; Brown LLP for Financial Auditing Service for \$10,180 for the term of July 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019.</li> </ul>
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		<p>Executive Director Brennan explained that BEACON must use special consultants and member agencies to provide the operating services necessary to successfully run BEACON. Mr. Brennan explained that BEACON has four standing annual consultant contracts: with COM3 Consulting (Gerald Comati) for Program Management; with Jim Bailard as Technical Advisor; with Marc Beyeler for Strategic Planning and Project Management activities; and with Pam Baumgardner for website maintenance and social media services. In addition, BEACON has a standing agreement for financial and accounting services through the Ventura County Auditor Controllers Office and a standing agreement for Legal Services through the County of Santa Barbara County Counsel Office. In addition, this year there is the biennial contract for auditing services being awarded to Fedak &amp; Brown LLP.</p> <p><b>BOARD ACTIONS:</b> <b>The Board approved all recommended items unanimously.</b></p>

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Item	8	<b>Report on Funding Pursuits.</b>
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>	a.	<p>Receive a report from Staff on the current status of BEACON funding pursuits.</p> <p>Marc Beyeler provided a summary of the different grant opportunities that BEACON evaluated during FY 1718 and the ones they pursued. Marc provided a status of the grants pursued:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. OPC – Prop 1 Grant for multi -benefit ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration projects. BEACON applied in February 2018 for Surfers Point Living Shoreline Project. Decision: OPC approval of the grant is scheduled for July 25, 2018.</li> <li>2. OPC/USC Sea Grant – Prop 84 for scientific research, adaptive management, and conservation of marine resources. BEACON intend on applying in august 2018.to fund an update to BEACON CRSMP. Decision is pending.</li> <li>3. California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) Division of Boating and Waterways for shoreline erosion control projects and public beach restoration projects. BEACON applied in February 2018 for the City of SB East Beach Dune Restoration Project. Decision is pending.</li> <li>4. FEMA/CalOES – Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for mitigation of future debris flow events similar to that of January 9, 2018. BEACON submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) in June 2018 to fund an update to the South Central Coast Beach Enhancement Program. Decision: FEMA/CalOES denied the NOI.</li> <li>5. FEMA/CalOES – Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for mitigation of future debris flow events similar to that of January 9, 2018. BEACON submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) in June 2018 to fund Phase 2 of the Surfers Point Project. Decision: FEMA/CalOES approved the NOI. A full application will be submitted in September 2018.</li> <li>6. National Fish and Wildlife Foundation for funding to create, expand and restore natural systems in areas that will both increase protection for communities from coastal storms, sea and lake level changes, flooding, and coastal erosion and improve valuable habitats for fish and wildlife species. BEACON is considering an application for to fund an update to the South Central Coast Beach Enhancement Program. Decision: Application has not been submitted yet.</li> </ol> <p>Director Das Williams expressed is congratulations to the City of SB for pursuing a dune restoration project on East Beach.</p> <p>Director Christy Weir expressed her gratitude for the BEACON Staff assistance in pursuing grants for the Surfers Point Project.</p> <p><b>BOARD ACTIONS:</b> <b>The Board received and filed the funding pursuit report.</b></p>

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<b>Item</b>	9	<p><b>BEACON Coastal Study</b></p> <p>a. Receive a presentation from the US Geologic Survey on its long term study of the BEACON coast and the debris flow event.</p>
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		<p>Mr. Dan Hoover from the USGS provided a PowerPoint presentation on long term study of the BEACON coast that USGS has been performing. The PP has been posted on the BEACON website.</p> <p>Director Steve Bennett expressed concern re/ saltwater intrusion in the groundwater.</p> <p>Director Jon Sharkey requested that whether USGS could make the same PP presentation to the Port Hueneme Council and to the Water Agency and Wastewater Agency Boards? Dan Hoover responded that this may be possible in November 2018.</p> <p>Director Janet Wolf asked that the transect data from Goleta Beach could be provided to the County as additional survey data. Director Wolf also indicated that the term “nourishment” should be used judiciously since the sediment deposits at both Carpinteria and Goleta beaches did not constitute a “design nourishment” project. Director Wolf preferred the term “deposition”.</p> <p>Director Christy Weir requested whether biological data has been gathered re/ the impact of the sediment depositions on marine life? Staff will follow up with this question. <b>ACTION.</b></p> <p>Director Das Williams inquired whether USGS knew if this winter was going to be an El Nino winter. Dan Hoover responded that an El Nino was likely.</p> <p><b>BOARD ACTIONS:</b> <b>The Board received and filed the funding pursuit report.</b></p>

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<b>Item</b>	10	<p><b>January 9, 2018 Montecito Debris Flow Presentation</b></p> <p>a. Receive a presentation from the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Watershed Conservation District on the activities to clear debris basin , creeks and streambeds after the January 9th debris flow.</p>
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>		<p>Maureen Spencer, Environmental Manager for the Santa Barbara County flood Control District, made a PowerPoint presentation on the clean-up activities following the January 9, 2018 Debris flow event.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 470,000 CY of sediment was removed from creeks, debris basins and roads following the event.</li> <li>• Creek corridors were stripped for thousands of feet. Some creeks were eroded 30-ft in depth and a 100-ft in width while others were completely filled with sediment.</li> <li>• All the debris basins were completely filled with sediment and boulders.</li> <li>• Since the event, all the debris basins have been repaired and cleaned out, all of the creeks have been cleaned out and repaired and all the roads have been cleared.</li> <li>• Work on bridge replacements and repairs is proceeding on schedule.</li> </ul> <p>Exec Director Brian Brennan asked where the majority of the sediment taken. Maureen indicated that of the 470K CY, approx. 70K went to the coast and the remaining 400K was hauled off to Santa Clarita and Buellton.</p> <p>Director John Zaragoza asked if any of the destroyed homes will be re-built. Maureen indicated that some may rebuild depending on the extent of remaining parcel and topography of the parcel.</p> <p>Director Janet Wolf wanted to praise the incredible work performed by the Flood Control District.</p> <p>Director Das Williams echoed the sentiments of Supervisor Wolf and also praised the pre-event preparations that Flood Control went through to clean out the creeks and debris basins and how these activities likely saved many lives.</p> <p>Director Kyle Richards congratulated the Flood Control District on the amazing clean-up work and indicated that we have to assess the lessons learned re/ the Goleta Beach issues.</p> <p>Director Das Williams indicated that the best scenario would have been to have all of the sediment reach the coast but that this must be done with sufficient testing. Also, it would be better if more deposit locations could be approved apart from jut Carpinteria and Goleta beaches. <b>ACTION.</b></p> <p>Director Christy Weir asked if a stockpile site could be identified. Maureen indicated that Flood Control is pursuing this issue.</p> <p>Exec Director Brian Brennan indicted that ideally deposition sites closer to Gaviota could be identified/approved and thereby allowing greater benefit downstream as the littoral cell moves downstream.</p> <p>Mr. Glenn Shepard of the Ventura County Flood Control District also provided a brief PowerPoint presentation on that agencies experience after the Thomas Fire. Glenn indicated that Ventura County has many debris basins with significant capacity of close to 180K CY. Glenn also indicated that the Matilija Dam removal project was moving forward. Sediment removal options are in the current</p>

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	<p>WRDA Bill. It is estimated that Matilija Dam retains 6 to 8 Million CY of sediment.</p> <p>Park Director Matt Roberts of the City of Carpinteria provided a brief presentation on the Carpinteria Beach sediment deposits. Matt indicated that the nourishment of the beach was very considerable and is very evident in terms of added beach width. Matt also indicated that cobble was critical to sustainable beach nourishment. Nourishment with cobble results in a much longer wider beach.</p> <p><b>BOARD ACTIONS:</b> <b>The Board received and filed the reports on the post Debris Event Clean-up activities.</b></p>
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<b>Item</b>	12	<b>Executive Director's Report and Communications</b>
		a. Receive and file report from Executive Director
<b>Minutes/ Actions:</b>	None.	

**Meeting Minutes by Gerald Comati, Program Manager, BEACON.**

**Adjourn to next regular meeting September 21, 18 19, 2018 at 9:00 AM in Carpinteria City Hall.**