

Minutes of North Davis Meadows County Service Area Advisory Committee

April 25, 2022
7:00pm-8:30pm

Meeting Attendees include: Advisory Committee members Kathy Greenhalgh, Francisca Johnson, and Clara Nabity, Supervisor Don Saylor, Deputy to the Supervisor- Tara Thronson, Community Services Analyst Kimberly Villa, Lindsay Olsen, Alan Mitchell and Nellie Sparks (Ponticello Enterprises Consulting Engineer)

The meeting, which was held using Zoom, was called to order by Chairperson Kathy Greenhalgh at 7:02pm.

1. **Introductions-** Kathy introduced Clara Nabity, who will be serving on the North Davis Meadows Advisory Committee.
2. Francisca Johnson moved and Clara Nabity seconded that the agenda be approved. The motion pass unanimously.
3. Francisca Johnson moved and Clara Nabity seconded that the minutes from November 16, 2021 be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
4. **Update from Supervisor Saylor's Office-** Supervisor Saylor shared that the county has a new County Administration Officer. Gerarado Pinedo from LA County will replace Patrick Blacklock, who served the county for 10 years.
5. **Recognition-** Kathy shared that Dr. Thomas Stevenson resigned from the NDM CSA Advisory Committee in February. She thanked Thomas for his five years of service.
6. **Update on the Water Project-** The water project progress since November of 2021 was shared by Kimberly, Nellie and Lindsay. In some areas of the NDM water project, the state standard for separation of water lines can't be achieved. The SWRCB Division of Drinking Water approved a waiver for these areas.

In early January, approval of the Environmental Package was obtained. This is a new document that is required for projects like the NDM /Davis Water Consolidation It is a comprehensive response to the project and how it relates to climate change.

The state water staff has put into place changes that could negatively affect the water project grant funding. County Administration and the County Supervisor wrote letters to request that the NDM application be reviewed because the new

proposal would have precluded grant funding for NDM. Due to the changes being made by the state, the loan application didn't continue to process.

An Integration Assessment Study has been completed. Lindsay explained that issues can arise when two water systems are connected. Natural scale in the distribution lines can be released, as well as any accumulated contaminants. Due to the age of the community and the piping materials that were used, this is not anticipated to be problematic. No negative effects are anticipated. Following construction water quality monitoring will be performed.

On April 5th, the City of Davis approved allowing NDM to be charged the fee for a one inch meter, instead of 1.5 inch meter. The fee for the one inch meter is \$17,000 per connection. This will be a considerable savings for NDM.

Hydrologic modeling has been updated since 2018. A backflow device will be required at each service lateral. A 1.5 inch meter is also required.

NDM should hear about grant approval in about 4 weeks. After that, the total time for the state to issue a financial agreement for the project is 7-8 months. It is expected that the Construction phase of the project will occur between March of 2023 and August of 2023.

A question and answer period was held. Neighbor John Steele shared his engineering background and said that he read the most recent fire protection report. He agrees that the numbers used are conservative. He believes that a fire protection engineer should be hired to review fireflow and that currently it has not been properly reviewed. He would like to see this addressed.

Joe Connelly asked about the likelihood of the project receiving grant funding. Supervisor Saylor said that he is optimistic that NDM will receive a grant.

7. **Update on Quarterly Financial Report and Presentation of Next Fiscal Year's Budget-** Kimberly shared that we are on track with expenses that we typically see in a year. The sewer bill from Davis is not yet reflected in the report, as it was billed late. Kimberly worked with the Financial Subcommittee to review the 2022/23 proposed budget. The 22/23 budget is similar to this year's.
Diane Biggs asked about repairs for the fence in the park area of NDM 1. Kimberly shared that it will be fixed when the water project proceeds, when funds are available.

8. **Landscaping and Stormwater Update-** Francisca shared that irrigation has been an issue and ongoing repairs need to be made. There is not enough money in the budget to fund everything. A new controller is needed for NDM 2. Brightview, the NDM Landscape Contractor, has provided an estimate to remove grass from the NDM 1 medians and replace it with drought tolerant plants. The estimate is pricey. A Prop 218 will need to be held to pay for any costs associated with changing the landscaping in the medians. Kimberly explained that the County of Yolo restricts using potable water use for grass in medians. It is important for NDM to start looking at options to replace the grass. Supervisor Saylor suggested checking with UC Davis' School of Landscape Architecture for possible design assistance.

The landscape maintenance contract with Brightview expires on June 30th, but has an amendment that allows it to be extended one year. Kimberly asked if everyone is okay with extending the Brightview contract and suggested that people email her.

9. **Speeding Through the Community-** Joe Connelly reported that people stopped at the stop signs for about a month, when the speed sign was in place and the sheriff was patrolling. However, once those measures went away people again started to drive through stop signs. It was noted that the painted white lines at the intersection are gone. Tara will reach out to the sheriff's office to see if they can patrol regularly. Kimberly shared that the Public Works Department didn't recommend speed humps as they can be noisy and can create more problems. Painting can be added to the task list for the county. Public Works will be asked if NDM 1 can have a permanent speed monitor sign. Joe and Mary Connelly will work with Tara to discuss safety options.

8. **NDM CSA Advisory Committee Vacancy-** Kathy shared that the NDM advisory committee is in need of an additional member. Please contact the county, if interested.

9. **Public Comment-** None

10. **Adjournment-** The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm by Kathy Greenhalgh. Upcoming CSA meetings are scheduled for 7/28/22 and 11/03/22.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Greenhalgh

