



**MINUTES OF EMERGENCY MEETING  
JUNE 9, 2021  
HELD BY EMAIL**

**Minutes for an Emergency Meeting held by email on June 9, 2021:**

It was brought to the attention of LOCAC that there would be a meeting of the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday June 15<sup>th</sup> to decide how approximately \$55 Million from the State of California would be made available to the unincorporated areas of San Luis Obispo County. A portion of this money is earmarked for water infrastructure projects.

This information came to us after our meeting the end of May, and a response in support of the Basin Management Committee was needed before our next meeting the end of June.

Following the Policies and Procedures allowance for an Emergency Meeting, LOCAC Chair Trish Bartel sent a request for immediate response to the LOCAC council. Unfortunately, there was not time to hold a public meeting, but because the subject of concern was our water basin, we went ahead with this action and used email as our means of communication. It has always been recommended to us that any correspondence sent to the Supervisors before a Board Meeting should be submitted by the Friday before, which in our case was Friday June 11. Our letter was submitted and received on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Suggestions from Council members were made to the original letter that Communications Officer Lynette Tornatzky wrote, those suggestions were incorporated into the final version.

The vote was 10-0 in support of this letter with 1 member absent.

**Request for Emergency Approval of a Letter, sent as an email to the Council dated June 9, 2021:**

To LOCAC Councilmembers,

It has come to both LUC and LOCAC's attention that there is \$55 million to be dispersed for Broadband and water issues in the unincorporated areas of SLO County. Supervisors Bruce Gibson and John Peschong will help determine how the money will be dispersed on June 15. After talking with Blake Fixler, he suggested that LOCAC send a letter requesting financial aid for the stabilization of our Los Osos Aquifer.

The finance meetings with the Board of Supervisors will take place June 14-16, prior to our next LOCAC meeting.

The letter below was created by LUC (Larry Bender and Lynette Tornatzky), please send me an email vote if you approve adding LOCAC name and members to the letter.

Thanks,

Trish Bartel

### **Letter of Support submitted to Supervisor Gibson on June 10, 2021:**

Supervisor Bruce Gibson  
County Government Center  
1055 Monterey Street  
San Luis Obispo, California 93408

RE: 6/15/21 - Request to receive and file a report on the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) and provide direction to staff.

Dear Supervisor Gibson,

Referencing Agenda Item Transmittal by Guy Savage/Administrative Office and James Hamilton/Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector-Public Administrator for your June 15 meeting, we understand that money will be available for water infrastructure projects, (Investments in Water and Sewer Infrastructure [Nexus/Eligible Use #4]). Supervisors are to give staff direction.

You are a member of our Basin Management Committee so know well the needs that we face with protecting our only water supply. Please advocate for Los Osos that some cut of money in the preliminary \$6 million recommendation for water, sewer or broadband be assigned to the member entities of our Basin Management Committee for the many projects that they need to complete to keep our current residents in potable water. We realize that we are competing with many other worthwhile needs for the money but raising water rates to fund BMC projects is a hardship on many of the residents in Los Osos.

Thank you for your consideration,

The Los Osos Community Advisory Council:

Chair Trish Bartel, Vice Chair Sandra Sarrouf, Secretary Sue Morgenthaler, Communications Officer Lynette Tornatzky, Larry Bender, Yael Koroin, Jan Harper, Deborah Howe, James Bishop, Jim Stanfill. 1 LOCAC member, Tim Carstairs, was absent.

The Land Use Committee:

Chair Larry Bender, Vice Chair Sue Morgenthaler, Secretary Trish Bartel, Lynette Tornatzky, Yael Korin, Paul Hershfield, Linde Owen, Robin McPeak. 1 Member abstained.

*It was corrected on the website, noting that the 1 LUC member abstaining was actually a No vote by Julie Tacker.*

