Call to Order: The meeting of the Silverado Community Services District Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairman, Con Hewitt, at 4:00 pm.

1. Minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes of the meeting on April 24, 2015, seconded, and the ayes were unanimous.

2. Public Comment: There was no public comment.

3. County Public Works Report: Scott Marsh reported the following:
   a. Lighting: There was one light out; it was repaired by PG&E. The solar light on Atlas Peak Road was repaired by Silverado Electric. Please contact Scott if there are any outages.
   b. Maintenance: All regularly scheduled maintenance and landscaping have been done. The trees between Silverado Springs and St. Andrews have fire blight. The Springs does not maintain those trees and have requested the County to maintain them. The Springs hired a company to inject the trees with a chemical that specifically fights fire blight. The Springs talked to Carlos, but he said the County would not get involved because there were liability issues regarding the chemicals. The Springs does not maintain the strip of trees and plants from Atlas Peak Road to the entrance to the Springs. More studies will have to be done to determine the extent and solution concerning the diseased trees. Scott Marsh and Thomas Fine will take care of this issue.
   c. Quarterly Projects:
      i. The islands on Kaanapali are complete and they look beautiful.
      ii. Westgate: Two pictures were shown; one of the present island and an artist’s rendering of what is proposed. Two bids were over $10,000, and one bid was around $5,000 by Joaquin. The proposed island is rock and drought resistant plants and trees, very much like the Kaanapali islands. Bill Jovick suggested that the homeowners in that area be able to have some input as to what is planted. This will be tabled until the next meeting, and it was agreed that the water would be turned off until the island is completed. Bill Jovick agreed to coordinate the neighbors with Scott Marsh and Thomas Fine.
iii. Landscape Priorities: There was a discussion of which islands have lights and which ones are illuminated by the street lights. Our electrical bill is high. Some islands have solar lighting, and maybe all of the others can be converted so save money. Chairman Hewitt asked Scott Marsh for a study on all the islands concerning solar lighting. Paul Roberts asked a question about the sidewalks and parkways and who is responsible for those areas. Anything on the main streets belong to the County. Approximately 12 olive trees have been planted by an owner north of the bridge near the entrance to the Crest. Those were planted by the owner of the house at that location, who did not obtain a permit from the County of Napa. Scott will get back to us as to who must maintain those trees and if a permit was obtained.

iv. Speed Signs: Scott checked with county counsel to see if they had the authority to construct speed control devices at Silverado, and the answer is ambiguous. The taxes paid are for maintenance, landscaping, street sweeping and street lighting, and this issue would fall outside the District, and could not be paid for with District money. Scott said that County Counsel referenced Ordinance No. T-1 of July 22, 1997. Chairman Hewitt gave a history of the intent and purpose of the District beginning with a Board of Supervisor’s Resolution No. 67-5, January 12, 1967. This Resolution was contrary to the 1997 Ordinance. As stated in this 1997 ordinance, the purposes of the District covered fire protection, police department and police protection as safety functions for the residents of the District. Then, the Chairman covered the By-laws of the SCSD Committee dated May 15, 1992. Article X of the By-Laws included six broad functions that were general in nature as to types of services which the District could be provided. Then, Chairman Hewitt referenced the Local Agency Formation Commission of Napa County report dated April 2007. Page 4, “Overview” of the report states, that although it is empowered to offer a number of municipal services under its principal act, SCSD continues to provide only, street lighting, etc.

Chairman Hewitt concluded that there is an apparent conflict with Ordinance No. T-1, 1997 since there is no reference as to the safety of the residents of the District. This will have to be resolved in the future.

Con felt that with the walker, joggers and dog walkers the street is not safe due to cars speeding up and down Hillcrest. Con read some history of Silverado relating to the functions of the District as to Silverado.

Mobile speed control devices were recently put up showing the speeds of the cars driving on Hillcrest, and tickets were handed out by the Sheriff’s office. Alfredo Pedroza, Supervisor for the County of Napa, is concerned about this safety issue, and he will explore this issue and report back to us. Con asked for a show of hands to see who were concerned with safety issues in our District and would like to see speed indicators on Hillcrest and Westgate or wherever needed and also asked for an amendment to Ordinance No. T-1, 1997, to cover the intent and purpose of the District Functions per Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 67-5, 1967. Everyone attending raised their hands in favor. Supervisor Pedroza will look into changing the ordinance. Speed bumps were suggested, but Hillcrest is a county road so it probably cannot be done. The sidewalks are in very bad condition and need to be repaired. That is why so many people walk in the street. Hopefully, the sidewalk will be repaired starting in the fall.
d. Budget: The budget looks good. The revenue is where it should be and expenses are a little higher.

A motion was made to accept the County’s District Manager’s Report and budget, seconded and the ayes were unanimous.

5. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary, SCSDAC
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