

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
Minutes of the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
February 20, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:

Frank Coate	Present
Victoria Fuller	Present
Mickey Luckman	Present
Mike Reynolds	Present
Gary Wilson	Present

STAFF PRESENT: Joe Guzzetta, General Manager
Marie Salsberry, HR Manager/Administrative Specialist
Keith Faul, GIS Coordinator

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: Gil Granito, District Counsel
Kathleen Radnich, Public Outreach Consultant

GUESTS 6

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MSC Fuller/Reynolds 5/0 to approve the agenda for the February 20, 2013 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Doris Bridges commented on the process for her proposed mainline extension and request for variance regarding hydrant installation. GM Guzzetta commented that the appeal for the hydrant variance request will be brought back to the Board. It was noted that the ad hoc committee may meet to discuss this.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

MSC Coate/Reynolds 5/0 to approve the financial report for January 2013 and to approve the check audit report for January 2013.

7. RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING HI-DESERT WATER DISTRICT ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

General Manager Joe Guzzetta reported that Hi-Desert Water District is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary. MSC Reynolds/Fuller 5/0 to approve staff recommendation to adopt Resolution 13-901 commending the Hi-Desert Water District on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

8. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MELODY HENRIQUES-MCDONALD

GM Guzzetta presented the staff report.

MSC Coate/Fuller 5/0 to approve staff recommendation to adopt Resolution 13-902 concurring in the nomination of Melody McDonald for re-election to the Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA/JPIA) Executive Committee.

9. ADDITION TO ARTICLE 5 OF ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO REQUIRE SEXUAL HARASSMENT TRAINING OF BOARD MEMBERS

GM Guzzetta presented the report.

MSC Reynolds/Coate 4/1 to adopt Resolution #13-903 amending Article 5 of the Administrative Code to require sexual harassment training for supervisors and Board members.

Coate	Aye
Fuller	Aye
Luckman	Aye
Reynolds	Aye
Wilson	No

10. REMOTE METER POLICY CLARIFICATION

GM Guzzetta reported on the changes proposed for Article 2 of the District's Rules and Regulations regarding remote meters in order to clarify the remote meter policy.

MSC Fuller/Coate 5/0 to adopt Resolution 13-904 amending Article 2.4.1 of the Rules and Regulations, to clarify provisions of the remote meter policy applying to homes owned and occupied prior to 2000.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE: President Luckman and Director Fuller: Kathleen Radnich, Public Outreach Consultant showed photos of the Hi-Desert Medical Center wastewater treatment plant construction progress and the recharge pipeline construction; GM Guzzetta reported on the projects. Ms. Radnich reported that the District's booth will be at the farmers market again in March. A docent training meeting will be held on March 8. The District's new website will be presented sometime in March.
- B. RECHARGE BASIN AND PIPELINE PROJECT: Vice President Coate and Director Fuller: No report.
- C. HOSPITAL WASTEWATER PROJECT: President Luckman and Vice President Coate: No report.
- D. TANK RESTORATION PROJECT: Director Wilson and Vice President Coate: Vice President Coate reported that the committee met; a report will be presented at a future Board meeting.
- E. RULES AND REGULATIONS UPDATE PROJECT: Director Fuller and Vice President Coate: The committee met regarding the remote meter policy.
- F. ADMINISTRATION CODE UPDATE PROJECT: Director Fuller: The committee met to discuss a sexual harassment training requirement for board members.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

13. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

GM Guzzetta had nothing further to report.

14. DIRECTORS COMMENTS/REPORTS

Director Coate thanked committee members and especially Director Wilson for his work and research on the tank restoration ad hoc committee. President Luckman reported she attended the Mojave Water Agency Technical Advisory Committee meeting.

15. DISTRICT GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT

Gil Granito reported that the San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) has filed two lawsuits against the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) challenging MWD's rates as being illegal & discriminatory to the SDCWA, based on the allegations that MWD has unfairly apportioned/calculated the cost associated with rates being charged to SDCWA.

The litigation is being tried in Superior Court in San Francisco and trial may take place as early as November of this year. Mr. Granito reported that much can be learned from any litigation that challenges or brings independent rate/cost of services studies into question. As such, it is prudent to always be mindful of such litigation.

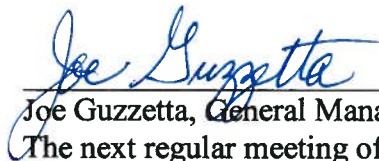
16. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

It was noted that the Bridges' request for variance will be brought to the Board.

17. ADJOURNMENT 8:38 PM

MSC Reynolds/Fuller 5/0

Respectfully submitted:



Joe Guzzetta, General Manager

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for March 6, 2013 at 7:00 pm.