

### CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020, AT 6:00 PM 61750 CHOLLITA ROAD, JOSHUA TREE, CA 92252

### **AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM
- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 6. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PRIOR MEETING
  - Draft Minutes January 14, 2020
- 7. WASTEWATER TREATMENT STRATEGY UPDATE GM Ban Receive for information only.
- 8. OPERATIONS TRAINING GM Ban Receive for information only.
- 9. GENERAL UPDATE AND FUTURE INFORMATION GM Ban
- 10. ADJOURNMENT

### **INFORMATION**

During "Public Comment," please use the podium microphone. State your name and have your information prepared and be ready to provide your comments. The District is interested and appreciates your comments. A 3-minute time limit will be imposed. Any person with a disability who requires accommodation to participate in this meeting should telephone Joshua Basin Water District at (760) 366-8438, at least 48 hours before the meeting to request a disability-related modification or accommodation.

# JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2019

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Karen Tracy called the meeting to order at 6:01PM.

**DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:** Karen Tracy, Jane Jarlsburg, Barbara Delph, Frank-Paul Coate, Shari Long, Karen Morton, and Dave Carrillo were present. Absent: Gayle Austin, Karen Sernka, Jeff Dongvillo. A quorum of seven was present.

STAFF: GM Ban, Randy Little BOARD: Director Tom Floen

CONSULTANT: PIO Kathleen Radnich

**PUBLIC:** None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda was approved: 1st: Frank-Paul Coate / 2nd: Karen Morton;

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**PUBLIC COMMENT: None** 

APPROVE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING: Draft minutes of the meeting from November 12, 2019, were approved as written: 1st: Jane Jarlsberg / 2nd: Barbara Delph; 7/0

## PRODUCTION INFORMATION PRESENTATION—Supervisor Randy Little

Randy Little gave a comprehensive overview of the "Water Production Operations"—complete with a Power Point presentation. Topics covered:

- Groundwater Wells
- Booster Stations/ Pressure Reduction Stations
- Reservoirs/Water Tanks
- Pressure Zones
- Inspections
- Recharge Operations
- SCADĂ

It was brought to mention the need for a map of which tanks service what neighborhoods, so that the general public could identify and an additional set of eyes monitoring suspicious activity—if any—that may occur around their water source.

### GENERAL UPDATE AND FUTURE INFORMATION—GM MARK BAN

- The CIRP is done with the north side of the Saddleback Pipe installation, and are working the south side now. Approximately 550 meters are in, along with new firehydrants throughout the area. Additional "future" services were installed now, to minimize the costs later involved in tearing up and replacing the street, etc.
- The Solar Program is moving forward. It was discovered that, while we cannot start up our wells with the solar energy, we can generate enough power to "distribute" the water system. The ideal location of the solar field potentially is the dirt lot on the corner of Chollita (just west of the District Office.) We are looking into the availability of the parcel.
- A "Waste Water Treatment Strategy" is under review. We expect to bring this information to the CAC for input, and then to a public meeting for discussion. We may need to hold a "Special" CAC meeting for this.
- Recently reported new California water laws have generated misinformation, especially amongst the reporting media. To date, there are no new law changes in effect, and the one that

- is in effect, is the 20% conservation law that has already been mandated. Kathleen Radnich noted that this topic is being addressed in the upcoming Tier Drop newsletter.
- Mark Ban requested topics for training from the CAC.
- K. Radnich informed the CAC the January 18th Native Plant and Xeriscaping course was rescheduled for Feb. 22, from 1PM-4PM.

### **GENERAL COUNCIL REPORTS:**

- Karen Tracy requested this "section" (General Council Reports) be "agendized" so that it will appear on all meeting agendas.
- Karen Tracy relayed a request from Gayle Austin (excused absence) that she would like the Low Income Assistance Program's annual individual allocation to be upped from \$50 to \$100—and requests this to be placed on our next Agenda.
- Karen Tracy also addressed the Council's rule of there being only three unexcused abscences from Council meetings before being removed from the Council.
- Jane Jarlsberg requested the Council agendize the topic of rules for becoming a Board Candidate at the next election, and requested our "Districting Map" be on our website.
- Jane Jarlsberg committed to attending the MAC meetings, and the JBWD Board Meetings, and to be the CAC's Attendance Monitor.
- Frank-Paul Coate committed to attending the sub-committee Board Meetings, such as the Finance Committee, Solar and Pipeline Replacement committee meetings.
- Shari Long committed to attend the Finance Committee meetings, as well.
- Dave Carrillo requested we consider an article and/or bring a booth to W.E.D. on instant water heaters (to save water.)
  K. Radnich would look into it.

ADJOURNMENT: Karen Tracy adjoured the meeting at 7:35PM.