

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
Minutes of the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

August 16, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 PM

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM: Mickey Luckman Present
Bob Johnson Present
Geary Hund Present
Rebecca Unger Present
Tom Floen Present

STAFF PRESENT: Curt Sauer, General Manager
Susan Greer, Assistant General Manager
Randy Mayes, Interim Director of Water Resources & Ops.
Keith Faul, GIS Coordinator
Beverly Waszak, Executive Assistant

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: Kathleen Radnich, Public Outreach Consultant
Gil Granito, Redwine & Sherrill

GUESTS 6

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –

MSC/Johnson/Floen 5/0 to approve the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors August 16, 2017 Agenda with a change that item #7 will be addressed when Chris Palmer, California Special Districts (CSDA) arrives.

Floen	Aye
Hund	Aye
Luckman	Aye
Johnson	Aye
Unger	Aye

5. PUBLIC COMMENT –

William Winn, Joshua Tree complained to the Board that he should not have to place two or three phone calls to the District in order to receive a return call.

PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the Consent Calendar are considered routine in nature and will be adopted in total by one action of the Board of Directors unless any Board Member, individual or organization interested in one or more consent calendar items wishes to be heard.

A. Approve Draft Minutes of the July 19, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.

MSC/ Johnson/Hund 5/0 to approve the Consent Calendar.

Floen	Aye
Hund	Aye
Luckman	Aye
Johnson	Aye
Unger	Aye

7. CHRIS PALMER, CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS (CSDA), TO SPEAK ON THE BENEFITS OF BEING A CSDA MEMBER – Recommend that the Board receive for information only. Chris Palmer, CSDA, gave a brief overview of the advantages and benefits of becoming members of the CSDA.
8. APPROVE REDWINE AND SHERRILL MOU – Recommend that the Board accept and approve the proposed Memorandum of Agreement with Redwine and Sherrill, District Counsel. A brief discussion with the Board followed.

MSC/ Unger/Floen 5/0 to approve the Redwine and Sherrill MOU.

Floen	Aye
Hund	Aye
Luckman	Aye
Johnson	Aye
Unger	Aye

9. REVIEW 3RD QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT – Recommend that the Board receive for information (reviewed by Finance Committee on 08/09/2017) and approve. No discussion was necessary since the Report had already been reviewed by the Finance Committee.

MSC/ Hund/Unger 5/0 to approve the 3rd Quarter Financial Report.

Floen	Aye
Hund	Aye
Luckman	Aye
Johnson	Aye
Unger	Aye

10. REVIEW APRIL – MAY 2017 CHECK REGISTERS – Recommend that the Board receive for information (reviewed by Finance Committee on 08/09/2017) and approve. No discussion was necessary since the Check Registers had already been reviewed by the Finance Committee.

MSC/ Unger/Floen 5/0 to approve the 3rd Quarter Financial Report.

Floen	Aye
Hund	Aye
Luckman	Aye
Johnson	Aye
Unger	Aye

11. DISCUSSION OF MAINLINE BREAK OF JULY 27TH AND 28TH – Recommend that the Board receive as an informational debriefing. GM Sauer debriefed the Board on the mainline break and a brief discussion with the Board followed. The Board also thanked the staff for the amazing job they performed. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes at the District.

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Johnny Payne stated that he comes from 22 years of experience with the PGE Pressure Pipeline and he found GM Sauer’s report to be both credible and commendable. Even though PGE has enormous resources, the District did a fantastic job under extremely difficult circumstances with limited resources.

PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED

12. DISTRICT GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT - Mr. Granito reported that the California Law Review Commission, based on direction from the State Legislature, has announced the study of non-substantive clean up of the California Public Records Act. Mr. Granito indicated that such clean-up will surely add clarity and avoid redundancy; all of which will facilitate compliance with Public Records Requests.
13. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT- GM Sauer stated that Alex Handlers (Rate Study Consultant) is ready to come to the District for an initial meeting with the Board. GM Sauer recommended that September 12, 2017 be a joint meeting with the CAC at 6:00 p.m. Also, the State is not appealing the Chrome VI ruling but it will still take a few months to come up with a new MCL for Chrome VI.

GM Sauer informed the Board that they never technically approved the Capital Improvement Plan and proposed a workshop in the near future to go over the figures.

GM Sauer gave a follow up on Well 14 rehab and that we are almost there but unfortunately, one out of 4 tests results in a positive so we need to keep testing.

14. DIRECTOR REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED, COMMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – (All comments should pertain to current Agenda items only)
 - Finance Committee Meeting – August 9, 2017 – President Luckman/Director Floen
President Luckman gave a brief overview of the Finance Committee meeting.
 - Mojave Water Agency – August 10, 2017- Director Unger gave a brief report on the MWA Board meeting she attended.
 - Public Outreach Consultant – Kathleen Radnich gave a brief report on the pipeline break. Also, that the Summer Wild Crafting Class #4 will be at the JTNP September 7th from 10-11 a.m. She stated that Water School 101 is now available online.
15. FUTURE DIRECTOR MEETINGS AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES –
 - Mojave Water Agency Board of Directors Meeting – August 24, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. – President Luckman
 - Finance Committee Meeting – August 28, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.- Vice President Johnson and Director Floen
 - Water Resources and Operations Committee Meeting – August 28, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. President Luckman and Vice President Johnson
 - Mojave Water Agency Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – October 5, 2017 at 10 a.m. President Luckman

16. ADJOURNMENT

President Luckman adjourned the meeting in Memory of Fred Klintworth who was a member of the CAC when it was first developed.

Vice President Johnson commented that Fred Klintworth was a retired Marine, member of the VFW and was on the first newly formed Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC).

President Luckman adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:


Curt Sauer, GM and Board Secretary