

HELIX WATER DISTRICT

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, December 7, 2016 – 2 p.m.

7811 University Avenue, La Mesa, CA 91942-0427

1. President Verbeke called the regular board meeting to order at 2 p.m. The roll call showed a quorum of the board present: Directors Verbeke, Hedberg, Tejada, Scalzitti and Gracyk.

Staff present: Lugo, Hayman, Tomasulo, Stoia, Janzen, Bryant, Ross, Masterson, Emery, Olney, Garuba, Lyford, Schuff, Fox, Uhrhammer, Doubrava, Masterson, Schipper, LaFalce, Lawler, Lundy, Salois and Annett. General Counsel Elizabeth W. Hull was also present.

Others present: Honorees Chuck Muse and John Linden; Customers Lynda Muse, James Marshall and Deputy General Manager Sandy Kerl of the San Diego County Water Authority. Reporter Karen Pearlman San Diego Union-Tribune was also present.

2. President Verbeke gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. General Manager Carlos V. Lugo reported there were no additions or deletions to the agenda. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Motion: Hedberg
Second: Scalzitti

4. President Verbeke provided opportunity for members of the public to address the board on any item under the subject matter jurisdiction of the district. There were no requests to be heard.

ACTION ITEMS

5. The board adopted Resolution 16-45 commending Charles W. Muse for 12 years of service. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Scalzitti
Second: Hedberg

President Verbeke presented the framed resolution to Mr. Muse thanking him for his service.

6. The board adopted Resolution 16-46 commending John B. Linden for 15 years of service. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Tejeda
Second: Scalzitti

President Verbeke presented the framed resolution to Mr. Linden thanking him for his service. Deputy General Manager Sandy Kerl of the San Diego County Water Authority also presented Mr. Linden with an award and thanked him for his dedicated service.

President Verbeke handed the gavel to General Manager Carlos V. Lugo to conduct the election of board president.

7. The board elected officers to serve a two-year term per Section 9.1-3 of the policies and procedures manual and adopted Resolution 16-47 appointing Director Joel A. Scalzitti as president, Director Kathleen M. Hedberg as vice president, Sandra L. Janzen as board secretary; Carlos V. Lugo as assistant secretary and Lorri S. Annett as assistant secretary.

Director Verbeke nominated Joel A. Scalzitti for president. There were no other nominations. The board voted unanimously for President Scalzitti.

General Manager Carlos V. Lugo handed the gavel to President Scalzitti to conduct the rest of the election.

Director Gracyk nominated Kathleen M. Hedberg for vice president; Sandra L. Janzen for board secretary; Carlos V. Lugo and Lorri S. Annett for assistant secretaries. The board voted unanimously for Vice President Hedberg, Secretary Janzen, and named Carlos V. Lugo and Lorri S. Annett assistant secretaries.

DISCUSSION


8. President Scalzitti thanked Mr. Muse and Mr. Linden for their service. President Scalzitti also stated he attended the Association of California Water Agencies Conference and reported that new state mandates will impact the district due to the drought.
9. Vice President Hedberg stated she attended the California Special Districts Association San Diego Chapter Dinner on November 17, 2016. Vice President Hedberg reported Tom Kennedy was named president and the group received a weather presentation. Director Tejeda extended his appreciation to Mr. Muse and Mr. Linden for their years of service to the district, staff and customers.


10. General Manager Carlos V. Lugo presented the Helix Water Talks envelope snipe. Director Gracyk commended staff, stating his constituents are requesting this type of information. Discussion ensued. Mr. Lugo also detailed future board agenda items for the December 21, 2016, December 28, 2016, January 4, 2017, January 18, 2017 and January 25, 2017 meetings. Vice President Hedberg asked several questions regarding the informational item to be discussed on December 21, 2016, surrounding upcoming unfunded state mandates requiring water agencies to test schools for lead upon request. Director Gracyk suggested the district seek a school liaison to work with the district. On behalf of the employees, Mr. Lugo thanked Mr. Muse and Mr. Linden for their dedicated guidance and extended gratitude to the families for their support.
11. General Counsel Elizabeth W. Hull had nothing additional to report.

ADJOURNMENT

12. President Scalzitti adjourned the meeting at 2:32 p.m.

ATTEST:


Sandra L. Janzen, Board Secretary


Joel A. Scalzitti, President