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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Wednesday, June 20, 2018 – 6 p.m.
7811 University Avenue, La Mesa, CA 91942-0427

1. Chair McMillan called the regular board meeting to order at 6 p.m. The roll call showed a quorum of the board present: Directors McMillan, Scalzitti, Verbeke and Gracyk. Director Hedberg was absent.

Staff present: Lugo, Bryant, Olney, Tomasulo, Miller, Janzen, Kleber, Gutkowski, Dambrose, Uhrhammer, Fox, Curtis, Berens, Solano and Annett. General Counsel Elizabeth W. Hull was also present.

Others present: Customers John L. Wood, Carey Hultgren, Tabitha Burke and Mike VanDorne.

2. Vice President McMillan led the Pledge of Allegiance. No invocation was provided.
3. General Manager Carlos V. Lugo reported there were no additions or deletions to the agenda. The motion to approve the agenda carried 4:0.

Motion: Verbeke
Second: Scalzitti
Ayes: McMillan, Scalzitti, Verbeke, Gracyk
Absent: Hedberg

4. Chair McMillan 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.
5. The consent agenda was approved 4:0.

Motion: Verbeke
Second: Scalzitti
Ayes: McMillan, Scalzitti, Verbeke, Gracyk
Absent: Hedberg

- a) Memorandum dated June 20, 2018, from the board secretary submitting expense and per diem claims was approved.
- b) The board approved the following set of minutes:
 - i. June 6, 2018, Special Board Meeting
- c) The following operating account checks submitted for ratification were approved:
 - i. List dated June 5, 2018
 - ii. List dated June 12, 2018

PRESENTATIONS

- 6. The board recognized Carey Hultgren and Paul Geldbach as the winners of Helix Water District’s annual WaterSmart landscape contest. Mr. Geldbach was not in attendance. Chair McMillan presented Ms. Hultgren with a gift card, certificate and yard sign. Photographs were taken. There were no public comments.

Water Conservation Technician Vincent R. Dambrose III provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining the contest requirements and highlighting the award winners’ before and after photographs.

ACTION ITEMS

- 7. The board adopted Resolution 18-28 amending Resolution 17-33 establishing job classifications and monthly rates of pay. There were no public comments. The motion carried 4:0.

Motion: Verbeke
Second: Scalzitti
Ayes: McMillan, Scalzitti, Verbeke, Gracyk
Absent: Hedberg

Human Resources Manager Susan S. Fox provided a board report and answered all questions regarding the number of district employees, part-time hours and CalPERS mandates from Director Gracyk with the assistance of General Manager Carlos V. Lugo and Senior Human Resources Analyst Sandra C. Gutkowski. Director Scalzitti reported he preferred any changes to the resolution be provided in redline format and Chair McMillan reported the resolution was directly tied to the employee groups’ memorandums or understanding.

REPORTS

8. Finance Manager Joy M. Kleber and System Operations Manager Michelle P. Berens detailed the following reports for the month of May 2018:
 - a) Treasurer
 - b) Budget Summary
 - c) Rainfall, Use and Storage
 - d) System Demand
 - e) Monthly Demand
 - f) Conservation Status
 - g) State Water Resources Control Board

There were no public comments. Board discussion ensued regarding certificate of deposit investments. Chair McMillan requested the board review the County of San Diego Investment Pool at a future regular board meeting.

INFORMATION

9. The board received a legislative update from Senior Public Affairs Representative Michelle M. Curtis. There were no public comments. Chair McMillan reported the potable reuse credit in regards to long-term water use efficiency may serve as a disincentive for the district to participate in potential future endeavors and that there are concerns and confusion among the constituents surrounding Assembly Bill 1668 and Senate Bill 606. The board requested staff bring resolutions to oppose Senate Bill 623, Budget Trailer Bill and Senate Bill 998 at the July 18, 2018 regular board meeting in support of the American Water Works Association's position and the expected position of the Association of California Water Agencies. Director Gracyk requested staff provide updates regarding Senate Bill 2050.
10. The board received an infrastructure video presentation from Senior Public Affairs Representative Michelle M. Curtis and Water Conservation Technician Vincent R. Dambrose III. Director Gracyk requested a copy of the video be placed on the district iPads and that the landscape contest photographs also be shared with the board. Mr. Dambrose reported this was the first video in a series. There were no public comments.

DISCUSSION

11. Chair McMillan reported that President Hedberg was out of state and that he attended the East County Economic Development Council meeting and the retirement party of

district employee Albert F. Sebastian on June 20, 2018. Chair McMillan reported attending the American Water Works Association conference in Las Vegas on June 11-14, 2018, with special sessions for elected officials from across the United States. Chair McMillan congratulated President Hedberg, Senior Public Affairs Representatives Michelle M. Curtis and Michael J. Uhrhammer for their acceptance of the 2017 Public Communications Achievement Award on behalf of the district during the American Water Works Association conference.

12. Directors Hedberg, McMillan, Scalzitti, Verbeke and Gracyk provided written reports. In addition, Director Scalzitti reported the Advanced Water Purification Ad Hoc Committee met at the AWP Visitor Center on June 15, 2018 and discussed planning, design, modeling, finances, public opinion and governance. Director Scalzitti provided a PowerPoint presentation to the board and reported the committee plans to meet quarterly. Director Verbeke provided an Association of California Water Agencies Region 10 Board of Directors report, ACWA Finance Committee report, ACWA Selections Committee report and shared that the Water Conservation Garden's Wags and Wine event successfully hosted 40 to 50 people. A Dogs and Donuts event will be scheduled soon. Director Gracyk reported attendance at the La Mesa Environmental Sustainability Commission meeting held on June 18, 2018 and reminded the commission they are tasked with making recommendations to the city council. Director Gracyk also reported participating in a tour of the Twin Oaks Valley Water Treatment Plant and received an energy presentation from San Diego County Water Authority staff. There were no public comments.
13. General Manager Carlos V. Lugo detailed upcoming agenda items for the meetings scheduled on June 27, July 11, 18, 25 and August 1, 2018, with the cancellation of the July 4, 2018 meeting, due to the holiday. The board agreed to start the July 18, 2018 meeting at 5 p.m. Mr. Lugo reminded the board of the Fletcher Hills 2 pump station open house on June 26, 2018 at 5 p.m. Discussion ensued regarding the upcoming June 28, 2018 San Diego County Water Authority board meeting and workshop. General Manager Lugo also paid tribute to retired Plant Operator II Albert F. Sebastian. There were no public comments.
14. General Counsel Elizabeth W. Hull reported the San Diego County Water Authority and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's appeal from judgement and *preemptory writs of mandate after court trails* has been briefed in court. She also offered to answer any questions regarding a memorandum dated June 12, 2018, entitled Guidelines to Prevent Serial Meetings. There were no questions or comments.

ADJOURNMENT

15. Chair McMillan adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.



Daniel H. McMillan, Chair

ATTEST:



Sandra L. Janzen, Secretary of the Board