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**MINUTES  
COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Wednesday, October 26, 2022 – 3 p.m.  
7811 University Avenue, La Mesa, CA 91942-0427  
Virtual/Hybrid Meeting**

**OPEN MEETING**

1. President Hedberg called the October 26, 2022, Committee of the Board meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. The roll call showed a quorum of the board present. Directors Hedberg, Verbeke, McMillan, Gracyk and Scalzitti were present.

Staff present: Olney, Bryant, Ross, Valdez, Malkin, Janzen, Curtis, Uhrhammer, Dambrose and Mackey. General Counsel Elizabeth W. Hull was also present via virtual software from 3:03 to 3:30 p.m.

Others present: No others were present.

2. Director Gracyk led the Pledge of Allegiance. No invocation was provided.
3. General Manager Brian M. Olney reported there were no additions or deletions to the agenda but requested the item order be changed. The board agreed to the change. There were no public comments. The motion to approve the agenda carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Motion: Verbeke

Second: Gracyk

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

4. President Hedberg 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 public comments.

**PRESENTATION**

5. The board received an update regarding the new website design for November 28, 2022, and a demonstration of the CivicClerk board portal for meetings beginning in January 2023.

Director Gracyk requested website analytics be shared during a future board meeting once the new website has been established.

Director of Administrative Services Jennifer C. Bryant, Administrative Services Manager Michelle M. Curtis, Senior Public Affairs Representative Michael J. Uhrhammer, Board Secretary Sandra L. Janzen and Assistant Board Secretary Jessica V. Mackey answered all questions regarding the board portal, access from other devices, Zoom functionality and how to take notes prior to a board meeting. There were no public comments.

## **DISCUSSION**

6. The board discussed the proposed amended and restated Association of California Water Agencies bylaws as recommended by ACWA's Legal Affairs Committee and adopted by the ACWA Board of Directors on September 23, 2022, to be considered by the general membership. Vice President Verbeke highlighted the changes and answered all questions. President Hedberg named Vice President Verbeke as the district's voting delegate with President Hedberg to serve as the alternate voting delegate during ACWA's November 30, 2022, general session. There were no public comments.
7. The board discussed the Department of Water Resources 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief Grant Program criteria and application. Director of Administrative Services Jennifer C. Bryant provided a PowerPoint presentation and answered all questions regarding the potential \$25.4 million dollars in state grant funds. Director Gracyk verified funds would be prioritized for specific projects such as \$18.5 million for East County Advanced Water Purification projects and \$15.5 million for cast-iron pipeline replacement projects. General Manager Brian M. Olney reported staff would move forward with two action items for the next regular board meeting. There were no public comments.
8. Directors Scalzitti reported attending the October 16, 2022, Local Agency Formation Commission Special District Advisory Committee meeting. Discussion ensued regarding providing a neutral approach to the proposed reorganizations of the Fallbrook Public Utility District and Rainbow Municipal Water District. Director McMillan stated that LAFCO has authority over the San Diego County Water Authority in this instance. President Hedberg and Vice President Verbeke attended the October 24, 2022, Water Conservation Garden Joint Powers Authority joint meeting with the Friends of the Garden Board of Directors. Discussion ensued regarding finances, grant opportunities, enhancements, a graywater demonstration area and two books to be available at the garden. Vice President Verbeke reminded the board of the November 5, 2022, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fall Garden Festival and annual plant sale. Director Scalzitti reminded the board of the 6 p.m.

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November 17, 2022, San Diego Chapter California Special Districts Association meeting and dinner. Additional discussion ensued. There were no public comments.

9. General Manager Brian M. Olney thanked the board for their patience during the CivicClerk hands-on training. There were no public comments.

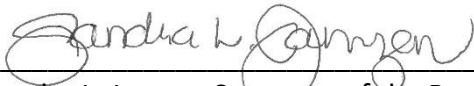
**ADJOURNMENT**

10. President Hedberg adjourned the Committee of the Board meeting at 5 p.m. wishing everyone a safe and fun Halloween.



Kathleen Coates Hedberg, President

**ATTEST:**



Sandra L. Janzen, Secretary of the Board