

MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
March 5, 2009
SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
BOULDER CREEK, CALIFORNIA

CONVENE MEETING/ROLL CALL

Pres. McPherson convened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Roll call showed Dirs. McPherson, Nelson, Prather, Rapoza and Vierra were present. District Manager Mueller, Director of Operations Rogers and Legal Counsel Hynes were also present.

Due to the number of people in attendance at the regular Board of Director's meeting, Pres. McPherson adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m. to reconvene at the Highlands Park Senior Center, 8500 Highway 9, Ben Lomond at 8:00 p.m.

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MINUTES

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 19, 2009.

Motion made by Dir. Vierra to approve the minutes for the February 19, 2009 Board of Directors Meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Nelson, McPherson, Prather, Rapoza, Vierra
Noes:	None
Absent:	None
Abstain:	None

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO AGENDA: None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Gordon Stewart requested information regarding the surplus property list for the District. Dir. Vierra informed him that he could view the list at the District office.

John Masterman stated that he has waited four (4) months to have his meter changed. He stated that he has received no return calls from the District. Director of Operations Rogers stated that he has requested Mr. Masterman submit his plans to the District and to date the District has not received the plans. Mr. Masterman complained about the three (3) minute limit on each person addressing the Board.

Pres. McPherson adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m. due to disruption from audience member. Pres. McPherson reconvened the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Paul Storm requested that the District include the Pledge of Allegiance to the opening of future Board Meetings.

Janet Laidlaw and other members of the public asked why the regular Board of Director's meeting was changed to the Highlands Park Senior Center without notifying the public in advance. Pres. McPherson stated that original notice of a Public Hearing had the location of our Operation Building in Boulder Creek. Board convened the meeting at that location and reconvened to the Senior Center so the large turn out of the public could be accommodated.

John Masterman attempted to address the Board again. Pres. McPherson asked Mr. Masterman to please be respectful of others at the meeting.

Pres. McPherson adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m. due to disruption from audience member. Pres. McPherson reconvened the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

A customer from Manana Woods discussed the issue of truck traffic and road repairs. The customer was asked to contact the District to further discuss these issues.

A customer requested information on how grants were distributed. The District Secretary requested that she contact her at the District office for further information.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC HEARING; PROPOSED INCREASE IN WATER RATES.

Pres. McPherson opened the Public Hearing regarding the proposed increase in water rates. District Manager Mueller presented to the Board an overview of the proposed rate increase.

The Board received oral communications from twenty-nine (29) people regarding the proposed rate increase. Suggestions were made by the public for the District to be more transparent on how District funds are being used. Dir. Vierra stated that the District will work diligently on updating the District Website with current information. The public asked the District to reconsider the proposed rate increase or at the least change the amount of the increase.

Pres. McPherson adjourned the meeting at 10:24 p.m. for a recess. Pres. McPherson reconvened the meeting at 10:38 p.m.

The individual Board members addressed the public regarding the proposed water service rate increase. The Board stated that it understands the tough economic times and that it has listened to everyone. The Board stated that it understands the frustration at an increase. The Board stated that it would do a better job of disseminating information to its customers in the future.

Dir. Nelson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 18, a resolution to increase

water rates, amending it to implement a twelve percent (12%) increase in 2009 and an eight percent (8%) increase in 2010.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: McPherson, Prather, Vierra , Rapoza, Nelson
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Pres. McPherson adjourned the meeting at 11:15 p.m. for a brief recess.

Pres. McPherson reconvened the meeting at 11:25 p.m.

PROPERTY PURCHASE AGREEMENT; APN'S 073-101-07, -08 AND -11.

Dir. Rapoza motioned to approve Resolution No. 19, a resolution to purchase property generally located along East Zayante Road, Felton, CA 95018. APN's 073-101-07, -08 and -11

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: McPherson, Nelson, Prather, Vierra , Rapoza
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

GENERAL MANAGER REPORTS:

Bill List Period Ending March 6, 2009

Motion made by Dir. Rapoza to approve the Bill List Period Ending March 6, 2009.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: McPherson, Nelson, Prather, Vierra , Rapoza
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Investment Report Period ending January 31, 2009

The Board received the Investment Report Period ending January 31, 2009

Department Status Reports

The Board received the Department Status Reports.

COMMITTEE/DIRECTOR REPORTS: None

INFORMATION MATERIAL: None

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

Pres. McPherson adjourned the regular meeting to closed session at 11:35 p.m. for the purpose of:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL;
EXISTING LITIGATION

Existing litigation pursuant to subdivision (a) of California
Government Code Section 54956.9

Name of case: San Lorenzo Valley Water District vs. Constance Noel, et
al.

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Property: APN 090-194-15 generally located on Rebecca Drive,
Boulder Creek, CA 95006

Agency Negotiator: James A. Mueller, District Manager

Negotiating Party: Kenneth Smith

Under Negotiation: Price and Payment Terms

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION TO REPORT ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED
SESSION:**

Pres. McPherson reconvened the regular meeting at 11:50 p.m. and reported out that:

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EXISTING LITIGATION

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No reportable action.

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ADJOURNMENT

Pres. McPherson adjourned the meeting for the final time at 11:50 p.m.

Brandon Barchi
District Secretary