

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT MINUTES February 6, 2020

Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 5:30 p.m., SLVWD, 13057 Highway 9, Boulder Creek, CA 95006.

- Convene Meeting 5:30 p.m. Roll Call: L. Farris, B. Fultz, S. Swan, L. Henry, R. Moran Staff: R. Rogers, G. Nicholls, H. Hossack
- 2. Additions and Deletions to Closed Session Agenda:

District Counsel G. Nicholls requested that item 4b be deleted from the agenda. It is no longer necessary.

- 3. Oral Communications Regarding Items in Closed Session: None
- 4. Adjournment to Closed Session 5:32 p.m.
  - a. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS Property: APN 078-233-05, located along Scenic Way in Ben Lomond Agency negotiator: Rick Rogers, District Manager and Gina Nicholls, District Counsel Negotiating party: Nick Naccari Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(2): One case

c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(3): One case

**Closed Session Note:** 

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### entire body is the holder of the privilege and only a majority vote of the entire body can authorize the waive of the privilege.

- 5. Convene to Open Session at 6:30 p.m.
- 6. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

G. Nicholls explained that item 4b was removed from the agenda because it was not necessary. The District received written threats regarding anticipated litigation.

7. Roll Call (Open Session):

L. Farris, B. Fultz, S. Swan, L. Henry, R. Moran Staff: D. Langfield, J. Furtado, R. Rogers, G. Nicholls, H. Hossack

- 8. Additions and Deletions to Open Session: None
- 9. Oral Communications: None
- 10. Unfinished Business:
  - a. PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON FACILITIES APPOINTMENTS R. Rogers introduced this item and read from the memo.
    - B. Fultz questioned if the Committee has been advised of specific

guidance.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding specific guidance for the Committee.

Beth Thomas introduced herself and stated her qualifications for this Committee.

EJ Armstrong introduced himself and explained his interests in this Committee, also his qualifications for serving on the committee.

L. Henry made a motion that the Board approve all seven applicants to the PACoF. The motion was seconded.

All present voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

b. BOARD POLICY MANUAL

R. Rogers introduced this item this item.

G. Nicholls explained the item and the reason for it.

B. Fultz made a motion to adopt the SLVWD 2020 Board Policy

Manual, Resolution No. 17 (2019-20). The motion was seconded.

All present voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

c. AMENDMENT TO THE STREAMFLOW ENHANCEMENT/CONJUNCTIVE USE GRANT

R. Rogers introduced this item and read from the memo.

J. Ricker said that R. Rogers summarized the project well and added more information. He said that once the SLVWD Board approves the amendment, it will go to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

R. Rogers said there was a slow down when we lost staff and a change in hydrogeologist but now we have our Environmental Planner in place and we're moving forward.

R. Moran asked J. Ricker to explain the sentence, "it is anticipated that the conjunctive use of surface water and groundwater will lead to increased stream base flow during summer and other critical times, benefitting fisheries".

J. Ricker explained that the plan is taking excess winter flow to rest wells. As the groundwater levels come up there will be more water in the streams.

Discussion by the Board, staff and public regarding this plan versus the original plan.

EJ Armstrong described the forest system and suggested that the Board consider the natural order of the water system.

B. Fultz made a motion that the Board approve the amendment and authorize the Board President to sign the agreement. The motion was seconded.

All present voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

#### 11. New Business:

Members of the public will be given the opportunity to address each scheduled item prior to Board deliberations. The Chairperson of the Board may establish a time limit for members of the public to address the Board on agenda items.

#### a. ATTENDANCE OF SALMONID CONFERENCE

R. Rogers introduced this item and read from the memo.

L. Henry said she would like to attend as a Board member of the

SMGWA also.

conference.

B. Fultz questioned the cost of the conference and who would attend.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding the cost of the conference.

R. Moran is also interested in attending the conference.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding the attendance of the

S. Swan made a motion to approve attendance by Directors Henry and Moran to attend the SRF 2020 Conference for a cost not to exceed \$2000. The motion was seconded.

All present voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

#### b. REVIEW OF COMMITTEE CALENDARS BY THE BOARD.

R. Rogers introduced this item and read from the memo.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding the priorities for each Committee (except the Engineering Committee).

Unidentified man questioned Environmental - Education Grants.

R. Rogers said that the Environmental needs to revisit the educational grants. During the last budget period the Board did not fund educational grants but there is a District Ordinance for the educational grants so they should be revisited.

#### c. NEW REVENUE OPPORTUNITIES

R. Rogers introduced this item and read from the memo.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding possible new revenue opportunities.

EJ Armstrong suggested that the District sell insurance against leaks.

Discussion by the Board and staff with a decision to take the ideas to the Budget & Finance Committee.

EJ Armstrong gave his opinion ADUs.

L. Farris said he wanted to include SMGWA Conjunctive Use & Recharge.

d. CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION - CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

R. Rogers introduced this item and read from the memo.

Discussion by Board and staff regarding the nominations. No nominations were made.

## 12. Consent Agenda:

The Consent Agenda contains items which are considered to be routine in nature and will be adopted by one (1) motion without discussion. Any item on the consent agenda will be moved to the regular agenda upon request from individual Directors or a member of the public.

- a. MINUTES FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JANUARY 9, 2020
- MINUTES FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JANUARY 16, 2020

#### 13. District Reports:

No action will be taken and discussion may be limited at the President's discretion. The District encourages that questions be submitted in writing (<u>bod@slvwd.com</u>) on items listed in the District Reports. Questions submitted, if any, will be posted in the next available District Reports, along with a reply.

## • DEPARTMENT STATUS REPORTS

Receipt and consideration by the Board of Department Status Reports regarding ongoing projects and other activities.

- o Legal
- o Operations

B. Fultz questioned if the maintenance information can be categorized as large, medium and small.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding maintenance.

- 14. Written Communication:
  - Email from M. Johnston-1.14.20

Discussion by the Board staff regarding in response to M. Johnston's email.

- 15. Informational Material: none
- 16. Adjournment 8:14 p.m.