



BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER
DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
MARCH 17, 2022

Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., via videoconference and teleconference.

1. Convene Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Gail Mahood, President

Jayne Ackemann, Director

Bob Fultz, Director

Mark Smolley, Director

Staff Present:

Rick Rogers, District Manager

Holly Hossack, District Secretary

Gina Nicholls, District Counsel

Kendra Reed, Director of Finance & Business Services

Carly Blanchard, Environmental Programs Manager

Josh Wolff, Engineering Manager

2. Additions and Deletions: None

3. Oral Communications: None

4. President's Report: None

5. New Business:

a. RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR L. HENRY

The District Secretary read the Resolution of Appreciation for L. Henry. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the resolution.

L. Ford made a public comment commending Lois' work on the water board.

C. Dzendzel thanked Lois and said that she is appreciated.

M. Smolley thanked Lois for her historical perspective and insight.

J. Ackemann also thanked Lois and said that she appreciated her straightforward and honest attitude.

B Fultz celebrated Lois' dedication to public service.

G. Mahood seconded everything everyone else said and added that her feistiness will be missed.

The motion passed unanimously.

L. Henry thanked a lot of people including; J Mueller, retired District Manager; M. Stone, State Assemblyman; B. McPherson, County Supervisor; SLVWD staff & board; specifically James Furtado, Dir. of Operations and Rick Rogers, Dist. Manager; Gail Mahood, Bob Fultz, Mark Smolley, Jayme Ackemann, Board Members; and the Friends of SLVWater.

R. Rogers made a public comment about working with Lois. She was a pleasure to work with.

b. FALL CREEK FISH LADDER AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION

J. Wolff introduced and explained this item.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding;

- E & E Committee recommended entering into a contract with CRW
- Budget re-allocation
- Typo on page 15, written number doesn't agree with the numbers
- The price is only going to get higher
- Confirm that changes can be made legally (check with bond counsel)
- Possible grants
- Time frame of the project
- Add source of funding and institutional history to the agenda item
- Further discussion of the legality of the changes and checking with bond counsel

A motion was made and seconded to authorize and direct the District Manager to enter into a contract with CRW Industries, Inc. for the construction of Fall Creek Fish Ladder rehabilitation project in the amount of \$1,982,580, and to find that the handwritten total bid in section 301 has a typo and that the correct amount of the bid, as the District understands it, is one million nine hundred eighty two thousand five hundred and eighty dollars.

The motion passed unanimously.

c. DISTRICT MANAGER ANNUAL CONTRACT REVIEW AND
COMPENSATION ADJUSTMENT

G. Nicholls introduced and explained this item.

The District Secretary noted that there was a typo in the written amount. District Counsel said that the memo doesn't matter.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding the COLA & Merit increase.

G. Mahood said that she believes that the 5% merit increase is deserved.

A motion was made and seconded to establish the District Manager's annual compensation to be effective as of October 19, 2021 applying the cost of living increase of 2.5% and the merit increase of 5%, on a base salary of \$2011.68, resulting in an annual salary of \$226,898 for 2021-22.

B. Fultz said that Rick does a very good job but our community is in a very bad position and he does not support the increase.

L. Ford made a public comment supporting the increase in compensation for Rick Rogers.

ROLL CALL VOTE: MOTION PASSED

AYES: G. Mahood, J. Ackemann, M. Smolley

NOES: B. Fultz

6. Unfinished Business:

a. CROSS-COUNTRY PIPELINE CONSTRUCTABILITY STUDY - FINAL

J. Wolff introduced and explained this item. R. Rogers added that this is a big project and it needs to be explained to the public in depth.

Discussion by the Board and staff, including:

- The E & E Committee discussed this item but doesn't have a recommendation except to accept the Study and to prepare a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the Environment Impact Report (EIR)
- Discrepancies in lineal ft. and creek crossing
- SMGWA or other agencies funding possibilities
- Maintenance & erosion control after construction
- Community meetings to explain the project but continue to move forward
- Groundwater and surface water costs
- Placing pipes above ground assessment

A motion was made and seconded to accept the study with the proviso that Freyer & Laureta provide additional cost information.

L. Ford made a public comment regarding fire management and following the recommended standards.

C. Dzendzel made a public comment regarding the vulnerability of buried pipe.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding alternatives to burying pipe.

The motion passed unanimously.

G. Mahood introduced the next half of this item, to prepare a Request for Qualifications for preparation of necessary Environmental Impact Reports.

Discussion by the Board and staff including;

- Important to move ahead
- 1 or 2 EIRs (separate Peavine and 5-Mile portions of the pipeline)
- Consideration of cost if not following best practices (AWWA, FEMA)

T. Carboni made a public comment regarding taking a different path with the pipeline.

A motion was made and seconded to instruct staff to develop and issue a Request for Qualifications for development of an Environmental Impact Report(s) for these pipelines.

The motion passed unanimously.

b. REVISED PROJECT LIST FOR CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION (COP) PROJECTS

R. Rogers introduced this item.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the proposed resolution that is in the packet.

Discussion regarding the sending this to the Bonding Counsel.

The motion passed unanimously.

c. REMOTE MEETING AUTHORIZATION UNDER AB 361

G. Mahood introduced this item.

A motion was made and seconded to ratify and re-adopt Resolution No. 4 (21-22) so that it continues to be in effect for another 30 days from today's date.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding repeating this item at the April 4th BoD meeting to comply with the 30 days of effectiveness.

The motion passed unanimously.

7. Consent Agenda: approved

8. District Reports:

Discussion regarding Utility Relief for customers in arrears for their water bills.

9. Written Communication:

M. Smolley recognized the exceptional customer service by T. Toccalino.

10. Adjournment: 8:59 p.m.

April 21, 2022
Minutes adopted

Holly B. Hossack
Holly B. Hossack, District Secretary