

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES April 7, 2022

Thursday, April 7, 2022, at 5:30 p.m., via videoconference and teleconference.

1. Convene Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present:
Gail Mahood, President
Jayme Ackemann, Vice President
Bob Fultz, Director
Mark Smolley, Director

Staff Present:

Rick Rogers, District Manager Holly Hossack, District Secretary Gina Nicholls, District Counsel

- 2. Additions and Deletions to Closed Session Agenda: None
- 3. Oral Communications Regarding Items in Closed Session: None
- 4. Adjournment to Closed Session 5:31 p.m.
- 5. Convene to Open Session at 6:30 p.m.
- 6. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session: None
- 7. Re-Convene Meeting

Roll Call

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Gail Mahood, President
Jayme 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 James Furtado, Director of Operations Josh Wolff, Engineering Manager

8. Additions and Deletions: None

9. Oral Communications:

- L. Ford, Felton, made a public comment reminding the Board and public that Fire Season has begun and to clear combustibles from your property.
- R. Rogers said that we are prepared for Fire Season and anything else that comes up. The District is working on hardening the facilities through grants.

10. President's Report:

President Mahood announced that FEMA will be increasing the reimbursement rate from 75% to 90%.

11. Unfinished Business:

- a. <u>CONSOLIDATION OF BRACKEN BRAE AND FOREST SPRINGS</u>
 R. Rogers introduced this item.
- G. Nicholls explained that the Letter of Intent (LOI) agreement negotiations continue.
- N. Launder-Berridge, Bracken Brae, said that their board has met and has approved the LOI. They are making progress with FEMA and the repair of the water system.
- S. Machado, Forest Springs, looking forward to putting together the LOI with the District. Association will need to review and vote.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding:

- Moving forward expeditiously
- Logistics of meeting the 40-month timeline with FEMA
- Possible extensions of timelines with FEMA
- Total cost and the resident's responsibility
- Grant funding will cover most of the cost of consolidation but then Bracken Brae and Forest Springs customers will have to fund any additional costs
- Insurance/Liability
- Operational expenses
- L. Ford made a public comment welcoming Bracken Brae & Forest Springs to the District. He explained that his community was also consolidated into the District.

b. <u>CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES GRANT FOR CONSOLIDATION OF FOREST SPRINGS AND BRACKEN BRAE</u> M. Smolley introduced this item.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding:

- Discussion with the State for additional funds & extension of the timeline-awaiting approval in writing
- Possible cost escalations
- Allocation for District time on specific tasks
- Written policy for competitive bidding
- Verbal to written cost overruns
- Phases for completion

No action is to be taken at this time.

12. New Business:

a. <u>LONG SERVICE LINE AGREEMENT FOR APN 077-032-25</u>
J. Wolff introduced this item.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding:

- It was noted that the contract is not in the packet
- · Customer pays for the waterline

Table this item until the next BoD meeting because the contract is not attached.

b. <u>CALIFORNIA LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD WATER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHWAP)</u>

K. Reed introduced this item.

Discussion by the Board and staff regarding:

- Identifying customers needing this assistance
- · Administrative time to be spent on this project
- Differences between this program and LIRA
- Taxable income to recipients
- · Percentage of ratepayers in our community that might qualify for this

A motion was made and seconded to approve and authorize and direct District staff to enter into the Direct Pay Program agreement for the Low Income Household Water Assistance Program.

- L. Ford made a public comment adding his endorsement to the program.
- R. Rogers noted that this program will be in addition to the LIRA program.

The motion passed unanimously.

Vice President Ackemann dropped out of the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

- 13. Consent Agenda: Approved
 - a. SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES 3.10.22
- 14. District Reports:
 - DEPARTMENT STATUS & COMMITTEE REPORTS Ops Status Report:
 - o Meter replacement, life expectancy & accuracy
 - o Pump set information
 - C. Dzendzel made a public comment regarding the Badger Meter's Eye on Water.
- 15. Written Communication
- 16. Adjournment: 7:59 p.m.

April 21, 2022 Minutes adopted

Holly B. Hossack, District Secretary