

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SERRANO WATER DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Serrano Water District met in a regularly scheduled board meeting on Tuesday, January 15, 2019. The meeting was held at the District Office located at 18021 Lincoln Street, Villa Park, California.

CALL TO ORDER: President Bryant called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS PRESENT:

Frank Bryant	President
Greg Mills	Vice President
C.L. "Larry" Pharris, Jr.	Board Member
Jerry Haight	Board Member

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS ABSENT:

Brad Reese	Board Member
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STAFF PRESENT:

Jerry Vilander	General Manager
Vittorio Roggero	Business Manager
Laura Heflin	Administrative Assistant
Jeremy Jungreis	Legal Counsel

GUESTS PRESENT:

Nitin Patel	White Nelson Diehl Evans LLP
Kassie Radermacher	White Nelson Diehl Evans LLP

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Nitin Patel presented the draft audit for the District for fiscal year ending 2017/2018. Mr. Patel noted that he and Kassie Radermacher had previously presented a more in-depth review at a recent Finance Committee meeting. Highlights of the audit was reviewed and recommendations for the future were made. Recommendations requiring written policy will be brought back to the Board of Directors for approval. General Manager Vilander remarked that other suggestions made for this year's audit will be brought back to the Board of Directors prior to next year's regularly scheduled audit. Following discussion, it was moved (Director Mills), seconded (Director Haight), and carried with Directors Haight, Pharris, Mills and Bryant voting yes to approve the draft audit as presented.

ANNUAL BOARD REORGANIZATION COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

It was moved (Director Haight), seconded (Director Mills), and carried with Directors Haight, Pharris, Bryant and Mills voting yes to accept the committee assignments as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

BOARD MINUTES

Consideration of Serrano Water District Board Meeting minutes of December 18, 2018. Director Bryant moved that the minutes of the December 18, 2018 meeting be approved as amended, Director Mills seconded the motion, and the motion was carried with Directors Bryant, Mills, Haight and Pharris voting yes.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

General Manager Vilander summarized the status of Board Committee and management matters as agendaized for the month of December. Various items were discussed including lead sampling currently being conducted at the schools as well as operational items. General Manager Vilander remarked that the Mesa break is essentially complete and that recovery is being sought through JPIA as a claim is in process. Irvine Ranch Water District has said that the contracts reviewed by Attorney Kuperberg are generally acceptable, and the District is awaiting their official response. Director Haight asked Attorney Jungreis to research claims that SWD Recreation, Inc./Serrano Water District settled on within the last 5 years. It was then moved (Director Mills), seconded (Director Haight), and carried with Director Mills, Haight, Pharris and Bryant voting yes to receive and file the report.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Business Manager Roggero presented the financials for the month of December. It was moved (Director Bryant), seconded (Director Mills), and carried with Directors Bryant, Pharris, Haight and Mills voting yes to approve the disbursements in the amount of \$406,205.51. Director Bryant requested that additional explanation be provided in the notes area of the financials. Director Haight remarked that conferences, dues and subscriptions, and retiree medical were all over budget and requested that explanation be provided in the notes area. Director Haight asked about the follow-up item if it would be possible to “suspend” the ABC license while still maintaining it. General Manager Vilander responded that he would research this item. Director Mills remarked that the Finance Committee will be looking at funding some of the capital projects.

WATER REPORT

Following presentation by General Manager Vilander, it was moved (Director Mills), seconded (Director Haight), and carried with Directors Haight, Pharris, Bryant and Mills voting yes receive and file the water report. Director Mills asked for a map of the watershed, and General Manager Vilander responded that he would provide the Board of Directors with one.

CORRESPONDENCE

Business Manager Roggero reviewed recent correspondence with a customer requesting a discounted bill due to a water leak at their residence.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS AND REPORTS

None.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Attorney Jungreis reported that the Governor’s proposal for water tax on drinking water is back and that ACWA may be requesting letters. Additionally, the State’s wetlands policy is currently being worked on that would implement an entirely new permitting system and significantly expand the State Board’s role.

It was announced that it would not be necessary to enter into closed session.

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

(Government Code Section 54956.8)

Property: Santiago Reservoir (Irvine Lake), adjacent to 4621 Santiago Canyon Road, Silverado Canyon, CA 92676.

Agency Negotiator: Jerry Vilander

Negotiating Parties: County of Orange

Under Negotiation: Price and terms

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was formally adjourned at 10:20 a.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 @ 8:30 a.m. at the District office.

Laura Heflin, Administrative Assistant