

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

1. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by the Board President Jim Kentosh at 6:10 pm at the District Office also present were: Board Vice-President Mike Krumpschmidt, Directors Larry Harrold, and Mike Etchart. Staff present: General Manager Mike Hollebrands also acting secretary to the Board. Attorney Lindsay Nielson was also present.

2. Approval of the minutes

Approval of the April 19th, 2016 Regular Meeting minutes:

Mr. Harrold made the motion to approve the April 19th, 2016 Regular Meeting minutes. Mr. Etchart seconded the motion.

There was no discussion of the minutes.

Harrold/Etchart
All Ayes
M/S/C

3. Public Comments

Ms. Elizabeth Anne von Gunten was present
Diana Engle was also present from the public; she stated she would save her comments for item 5G.

4. Financial Matters

1. Approval of Payroll and Payables from April 16th, 2016 to May 15th, 2016 in the amount of:

Total Payables - \$ 61,136.72

Mr. Etchart made the motion to pay the monthly expenses. Mr. Harrold seconded the motion.

There was no discussion of the financial matters

Etchart/Harrold
All Ayes
M/S/C

5. Board Discussion and/or Action

a) Interview of new candidates for Board member appointment

Mr. Kentosh asked if this item could be tabled until next month due to lack of letters of interest. The Board agreed to interview perspective Board members in the June meeting.

b) Discussion of Draft Budget for fiscal year 2016-17

The G.M. presented the budget for fiscal year 2016-17 via power point to the board with little comments and small grammatical changes to the document. Mr. Kentosh asked if the G.M. would clarify some things on the expenditure sheet in the capital items to so that past items didn't comingle with current items. The Board was in agreement with the budget as it's stated. Mr. Kentosh stated that the budget would not be formally approved until after the public hearing on June 6, 2016.

c) Discussion and presentation of new rate increase for years 2016-19

There were many good suggestions and changes to some of the slides for customer clarity and continuity. The G.M. said he would make the suggested changes and have them ready for the public hearing.

d) Discussion of Susan Edlinger's resume and proposal for human resources services

The G.M. told the Board about the meeting and what was discussed during the lunch meeting with Susan and Jim Kentosh. The G.M. stated that her focus was mainly on being an executive coach, leadership consultation and effective leadership. The G.M. also went on to explain that she was more than capable of handling the position of H.R. consulting although she admitted that her focus has not been on things like FLMA or insurance problems for many years, but she could coordinate and resolve things like employee grievances and team building. The G.M. stated that these things in his opinion would be a

good thing for the District and its staff. The Board voted to enlist Susan Edlinger's services for a 12 month period in the amount of \$ 4,800.00

Mike Krumpschmidt made the motion to accept Susan's proposal for one year, seconded by Mike Etchart

Krumpschmidt/Etchart

All ayes

M/S/C

e) GSA-JPA discussion, process and decision making

The G.M. and Mike Krumpschmidt gave a brief summary of what has and will be transpiring during the last meeting (May 10, 2016) and the upcoming stakeholder meeting that will be held on June 14, 2016. The G.M. informed the Board that the JPA (Joint Powers Agreement) has received its final edits from the formation committee, from there; the attorney will incorporate those edits into the JPA in time for public review at the stakeholder meeting.

f) Board Committee Assignments

Board committees were not assigned at this point, but the board discussed paying the board member for attending ancillary any standing committee meetings. After some discussion, it was agreed that the G.M. would formulate a policy stipulating reimbursement for their attendance. Mr. Kentosh recommended that we have a standing drought committee to go along with the GSA committee. Rate, budget and policy committee will be named at a later date.

g) Discussion of Drought Contingency Plan

Member of the public Diana Engle had a question of whether or not the allocation stated online was the allocation before or after the 30% reduction and thought that maybe it should say that on the website where the customer number gets inputted. The Board agreed that would be a good idea and the G.M. stated that he would look into adding the language. Mrs. Engle also stated that she felt that there should be transparency with regard to neighbors being able to see each other's allocations for the sake of peer pressure. The district's attorney said that might cause a problem with regard privacy issues.

Lastly, she was wondering what happens when the water runs out. Where do we go for water? Can we as a private citizen buy water from an outside company? Mrs. Engle feels that people need to wake up and do more around their home to conserve water. Mrs. Engle stated that "it's time to get serious". The Drought Contingency Plan was presented to the Board in its entirety. There were some comments to the plan along

with some recommended changes to some of the language. Those changes were noted by the G.M. and will be made prior to the next meeting.

h) Discussion and approval of Draft Stage 3 Declaration 20160517

The Board approved resolution 20160517 requiring it to be effective July 1, 2016 to be commensurate with Casitas' declaration of Stage 3.

i) Rob Sawyer's retirement with Remy-Moose-Manley

Mr. Nielson explained that Rob Sawyer would be retiring and that his associate Elizabeth Sarine who has been a part of our case since it started, would take lead within the law firm for our case. Mr. Nielson also went on to explain that our attorneys are just in observation mode, meaning we do not wish to provoke anyone, we are just going sit here for the meantime and watch. At this time, there is no real money being spent during this process, but it's advantageous for us to have a set of ears listening in the court room looking out for our best interests. The Board agreed that we would keep Remy-Moose-Manley in spite of Rob Sawyers retirement.

6. General Manager's Report

• **System status**

The GM reported that the District's well levels are decreasing, and that he is not sure how long they will continue to produce. But for now, we are meeting demand with no operational issues to report.

• **Casitas ROV**

The G.M. reported that Casitas hired a firm to operate an Remote Operated Vehicle (ROV) to inspect the piping within the dam.

• **The G.M. also spoke to the Board about purchasing two (2) road plates from director Harrold in the amount of \$ 1,000.00. There was a brief conversation about the price and condition of the plates before the board agreed to authorize the purchase. District counsel advised there should no ethical or legal concerns about this purchase.**

7. Board of Directors Reports

- **Mr. Etchart spoke about the County starting their spraying to help prevent HLB. (huanglongbing) Mr. Etchart stated that the County started the first of three phases today.**
- **No other Board members reported any items**

8. Closed Session

- **No closed session items.**

9. Meeting Adjournment

Mr. Krumpschmidt moved to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Etchart seconded.

There being no further business to conduct at this time, Board President James Kentosh adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM.

President

Secretary