

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, June 24, 2020, 12:00 P.M. Board Room, UWCD NEW Headquarters

DIRECTORS PARTICIPATING

Secretary/Treasurer Sheldon G. Berger (participating via WebEx)

Vice President Bruce E. Dandy (left the meeting at 1:55p.m.)

Director Patrick J. Kelley (participating via WebEx)

Director Lynn E. Maulhardt

Director Edwin T. McFadden III (participating via WebEx)

President Michael W. Mobley

Director Daniel C. Naumann

STAFF PARTICIPATING

Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr., general manager

David D. Boyer, legal counsel

Anthony Emmert, assistant general manager

Dr. Maryam Bral, chief engineer

Brian Collins, operations and maintenance manager

Erin Gorospe, controller

Tony Huynh, safety and security program coordinator

Joseph Jereb, chief financial officer

Josh Perez, human resources manager

Dan Detmer, supervising hydrogeologist (participating via WebEx)

Erin Gorospe, controller (participating via WebEx)

Anders Selim, instrument & electrical technician (participating via WebEx)

Kris Sofley, clerk of the board

Clayton Strahan, chief park ranger (participating via WebEx)

Kurt White, Park Ranger, (participating via WebEx)

PUBLIC PARTICIPANTS

Dennis Cardoza (participating via WebEx)

Burt Handy (participating via WebEx)

Miles Hogan, City of Ventura (participating via WebEx)

Thien Ng, City of Oxnard

Shawn Ogle, AALRR (participating via WebEx)

Mark Palin, AALRR (participating via WebEx)

Superna Pina, AALRR

Susan Rungren, Ventura Water (participating via WebEx)

Rick Simonson, HF&H (participating via WebEx)

Dr. Rod Smith, Stratecon (participating via WebEx)

Board of Directors

Michael W. Mobley, President Bruce E. Dandy, Vice President

Sheldon G. Berger, Secretary/Treasurer

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General Manager Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr.

Legal Counsel David D. Boyer

1. FIRST OPEN SESSION 12:00 noon

President Mobley opened the meeting at 12:00 noon

1.a Directors Roll Call

Clerk of the Board asked each of the Directors to state their name to check the audio levels. All Directors were present at the meeting, with Directors Berger, Kelley and McFadden participating via WebEx.

1.b Public Comments

President Mobley asked if there were any public comments. None were offered.

2. EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION 12:05 P.M.

President Mobley asked Legal Counsel to list the topics for discussion in Executive Session. Mr. Boyer reported that the Board would be discussing several cases of existing litigation, including one with Wishtoyo, one with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and two cases with the City of Ventura. The Board will also discuss two cases of anticipated litigation.

President Mobley adjourned the meeting into Executive (Closed) Session at 12:05p.m.

President Mobley reopened the Board meeting at 1:55p.m.

3. SECOND OPEN SESSION AND CALL TO ORDER 1:55 P.M.

3.a Oral Report Regarding Executive (Closed) Session

President Mobley asked District's legal counsel to report on any actions by the Board in Executive Session. Mr. Boyer reported that no action was taken by the Board in Executive session reportable under the Brown Act

3.b PUBLIC HEARING

Conclusion of Annual Groundwater Hearing, Acceptance of Public Comment and Setting of 2020-21 Zones and Extraction Charges Motion

In accordance with Part 9 of Division 21 of the California Water Code (Section 75500 et seq.), the Board annually conducts a public hearing to consider the conditions of groundwater resources within the District. An "Annual Investigation and Report of Groundwater Conditions" was submitted to the Board on March 25, 2020 and has been available for public review and comment. This hearing was opened on April 8, 2020 and continued until May 13, 2020, at which time it was again continued to June 10, 2020. At the June 10, 2020 hearing, the Board was asked to continue the hearing to a Special Board meeting on June 24, 2020 to allow time for the Board and the public to review and consider an alternative FY 2020-21 Proposed Budget and to receive information from District staff and consultant(s) in support of the establishment of zone(s) within the District and levying of groundwater extraction charges within such zone(s). Public comment will also be accepted. No Board decisions have yet been made. The Board may choose to conclude the hearing today and consider acting to establish zone(s) within the

District and to levy groundwater extraction charges within such zone(s) for the 2020-21 water year.

The proceedings of the Public Hearing were transcribed by a court reporter, including the testimony of General Manager Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr.; Supervising Hydrogeologist Dan Detmer; Chief Engineer Maryam Bral; Chief Financial Officer Joseph Jereb; and District Legal Counsel David Boyer as well as Dr. Rodney Smith of Stratecon and Mr. Rick Simonson of HF&H.

Resolution 2020-10

Making Findings and Determinations from the Evidence Submitted Concerning the Groundwater Conditions of United Water Conservation District.

Motion

Motion to adopt <u>Resolution 2020-10</u> making findings and determinations from the evidence submitted concerning the groundwater conditions of United Water Conservation District, Director Naumann; Second, Director Maulhardt. Roll call vote: six ayes (Berger, Kelley, Maulhardt, McFadden, Mobley, Naumann); none opposed; one absent (Dandy). Motion carries unanimously 6/0/1.

Resolution 2020-11

Making Additional Findings and Determinations from the Evidence Submitted Concerning Groundwater Conditions of United Water Conservation District, Determining and Establishing Groundwater Extraction Charge Zones and Levying, Assessing and Fixing Groundwater Extraction Charges against All Persons Operating Groundwater Producing Facilities within Such Zones for the 2020-21 Water Year

Motion

Motion to adopt <u>Resolution 2020-11</u> making additional findings and determinations from the evidence submitted concerning groundwater conditions of United Water Conservation District determining and establishing groundwater extraction charge zones and levying, assessing and fixing groundwater extraction charges against all person operating groundwater producing facilities within such zones for the 2020-21 water year, Director Maulhardt; Second, Director Berger. Roll call vote: six ayes (Berger, Kelley, Maulhardt, McFadden, Mobley, Naumann); none opposed; one absent (Dandy). Motion carries unanimously 6/0/1.

3.c Resolution 2020-12

Adopting the Proposed District Budget Plan-Revised, Financial Policies, Overhead Allocation Method, Staffing Levels and Salary Schedules for Fiscal Year 2020-21 and Appropriation Carryovers for Fiscal Year 2019-20

Motion D

The Board will consider adoption of <u>Resolution 2020-12</u>, adopting the Proposed District Budget Plan-Revised, Fiscal Policies, Overhead Allocation Method, Staffing Levels and Salary Schedules for Fiscal Year 2020-21 and Appropriation Carryovers for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2020-12 adopting the proposed District Budget Plan-Revised, financial policies, overhead allocation method, staffing levels and salary schedules for Fiscal Year 2020-21 and appropriation carryovers for Fiscal Year 2019-20, Director Naumann; second, Director Berger. Roll call vote: six ayes (Berger, Kelley, Maulhardt, McFadden, Mobley, Naumann); none opposed; one absent (Dandy). Motion carries unanimously 6/0/1.

3.d Supplemental Appropriation for Recreation Concessionaire Motion

Chief Financial Officer Joseph Jereb reported that since the Lake Piru recreation area has been closed, the Fiscal Year 2019-20 budget was not sufficient to manage Lake Piru, as the past three months have seen little if any revenue. Even though expenses have been decreasing since March, the lack of revenue led to an overrun of budget, which is why staff is asking the Board to consider authorizing a supplemental appropriation for concessionaire services at Lake Piru Recreation Area in an amount up to \$160,000.

Chief Park Ranger Clayton Strahan told the Board that he would present a detailed financial report to the Finance Committee in July including an update on concessionaire PMC and ongoing contract negotiations.

Director Berger congratulated Chief Strahan for a job well done, stating that he had just seen an episode of Jay Leno's Garage which had been filmed at Lake Piru and the lake looked semi-full and everyone was having fun and it was a very positive bit of publicity that likely earned the District a good deal of money.

Motion to approve a supplemental appropriation for Recreation Concessionaire, Director Maulhardt; Second, Director McFadden. Roll call vote: six ayes (Berger, Kelley, Maulhardt, McFadden, Mobley, Naumann); none opposed; one absent (Dandy). Motion carries unanimously 6/0/1.

4. ADJOURNMENT 2:50p.m.

President Mobley adjourned the meeting at 2:50p.m. to the Regular Board Meeting of Wednesday, July 8, 2020.

I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the UWCD Special Board of Directors meeting of June 24, 2020.

ATTEST: Sheldon G. Berger, Secretary/Treasurer

ATTEST: /Our

Kris Sofley, Clerk of the Board



ATTENDANCE LIST

Board of Directors Michael W. Mobley, President Bruce E. Dandy, Vice President Sheldon G. Berger, Secretary/Treasurer Patrick J. Kelley Lynn E. Maulhardt Edwin T. McFadden III Daniel C. Naumann

General Manager Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr.

Legal Counsel David D. Boyer

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