

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
EAST ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

January 19, 2017

1. Call to Order. A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the East Orange County Water District was called to order by DOUGLASS DAVERT, President of the Board of Directors, at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2017, in the offices of the East Orange County Water District, 185 N. McPherson Road, Orange, California. JOAN ARNESON, Secretary, recorded the minutes of the meeting (General Manager OHLUND recorded the minutes for Item 9B).

The following Directors were present: RICHARD BELL, DOUGLASS DAVERT, JOHN DULEBOHN, SEYMOUR EVERETT and JOHN SEARS. Also present were:

LISA OHLUND	General Manager
JERRY MENDZER	Maintenance & Operations Superintendent
SYLVIA PRADO	District Administrative Assistant
JOAN ARNESON	District Secretary and Legal Counsel (by telephone)
NICHOLAS J. ARHONTES	EOCWD Consultant
BILL EVEREST	EOCWD Consultant
FRANK CAHILL	RCE
DOUG STACK	City of Tustin
ART VALENZUELA	City of Tustin

2. Public Communications to the Board. None.

3. Items Arising After Posting of Agenda. Ms. OHLUND said an agreement with Orange County Health Care Agency was a companion item to the Sewer System Master Plan and should be added.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion by SEARS, seconded by BELL and carried unanimously, it was determined that the need to take immediate action on such item came to the District's attention after posting of the agenda and such item was added to the agenda.

4. Consent Calendar.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion by BELL, seconded by SEARS and carried unanimously, the consent calendar actions were adopted as follows.

A. General Manager's Report: "THAT THE GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT BE RECEIVED AND FILED"

- B. Circula Panorama Pressure Reducing Station Project: "AWARD A CONTRACT WITH J.A. SALAZAR CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$41,856, AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT AND ESTABLISH A PROJECT BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$88,000"

5. **Operation, Management and Construction Matters.**

A. Wholesale System Water Quality Issues – Status Report. Ms. OHLUND reported that the previous day a productive meeting was held with the retailers. Good ideas were suggested and she said staff intends to perform additional modeling runs to document system circulation. She said the dialog will continue and staff will further update the Board. Mr. VALENZUELA indicated his availability to assist.

B. Sewer System Management Plan. Ms. OHLUND said that sewer system overflows were one of the most important aspects of a sewer operation. She reviewed the 12 chapters of the proposed plan, including the orders included as appendices. She described inclusion on the website and other circulation of the draft plan to interested stakeholders. Mr. ARHONTES was complimented on the approach.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion by BELL, seconded by DULEBOHN and carried unanimously, the Sewer System Management Plan was adopted.

C. Cured-In-Place Pipe Repairs Project. Ms. OHLUND reported that certain irregularities appeared in the bidding process, and staff was recommending rejection of all bids and rebidding in an abundance of caution.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion by SEARS, seconded by BELL and carried unanimously, staff was directed to reject all bids and rebid the project.

D. California WaterFix Resolution of Support. President DAVERT said the proponents were seeking wide support.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion by SEARS, seconded by BELL and carried unanimously, Resolution No. 792 was adopted, entitled: "East Orange County Water District Support for the California Water Fix and California Eco Restore."

E. Santiago Hills II Development Project Postponement. Ms. OHLUND discussed the postponement of the project, which will affect District easements and adjacent facilities.

F. EOCWD Logo. Ms. OHLUND displayed the proposed logo, indicating the considerable input received. She said the intention was not rebranding but to keep the vibrancy of the existing colors.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion by BELL, seconded by SEARS and carried unanimously, the revised logo was approved.

G. Wastewater Supervisor Salary Range Adjustment.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion by EVERETT, seconded by DULEBOHN and carried unanimously, the Wastewater Supervisor salary range was increased to \$5,869 to \$7,923/month.

OCHCA Agreement (added item). Ms. OHLUND provided a handout and the form which OCHCA will use in reporting to the District. She explained that EOCWD cannot be substituted for OCSD.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion by SEARS, seconded by BELL and carried unanimously, the agreement with Orange County Health Care Agency was approved.

7. Financial Matters.

A. Schedule of Disbursements. Schedules of disbursements in the following amounts were presented: \$512,820.71 from Wholesale and Retail Operating Funds, \$949.09 for directors' payroll, and \$63,854.67 for employees' payroll.

B. Investment Report of Investment Activity. Schedules of investments were presented.

C. Financial Statements (November 30). The financial statements were presented.

President DAVERT reported that the Finance Committee recommended approval of the schedule of disbursements and investment schedules, and receipt and filing of the financial statements.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion by SEARS, seconded by DULEBOHN and carried unanimously, the schedules of disbursements were approved as corrected, the schedules of investments were ratified and approved, and the financial statements were received and filed.

7. Miscellaneous Matters.

A. Reports from Committees and Representatives to Organizations. President DAVERT reported his attendance at ISDOC where the topic was LAFCO's consideration of changes in light of the EOCWD sewer transfer; MWDOC water officials' dinner, and an upcoming Colorado River tour. Director SEARS reported on his attendance at WACO featuring a presentation on battery energy storage for water and wastewater facilities.

B. Directors' Reports on Meetings Attended. None (see A).

C. Wholesale and Retail Water Usage. Ms. OHLUND reported that wholesale sales were reduced with the cooler weather.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion by SEARS, seconded by BELL and carried unanimously, the wholesale and retail water usage report was received and filed.

D. Authorization of Conference/Meeting Attendance.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion by BELL, seconded by EVERETT and carried unanimously, Director SEARS was authorized to attend the Special District Leadership Conference in La Jolla.

E. Committees and Representatives to Organizations. President DAVERT noted that Director SEARS would replace him at JPIA and he would replace Director BELL as ISDOC alternate.

President DAVERT requested that the agenda include an item for Directors' comments. He requested that the Crown Castle leases be placed on an upcoming agenda, and reported on an upcoming fundraiser at Chapman University if anyone is interested in attending.

8. Informational Items.

A. General Interest Publications. Included were: *Sacramento Bee* "California WaterFix is the 'grand compromise' for the Delta" Townsend Public Affairs, "Summary of November 2016 Elections;" *Cal Watchdog* "8 CA Zip Codes Have Worse Lead Contamination than Flint."

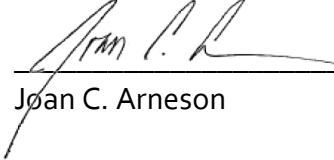
9. Closed Sessions. The closed session - conference with Legal Counsel – existing litigation pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 – *Irvine Ranch Water District v. Orange County Water District*, Case No. 30-2016-00858584-CU-WM-CJC, was not held.

10. Adjournment.

ACTION TAKEN:

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m., the next regular meeting date and time being Thursday, February 16, 2017, at 5:00 p.m., to be held in the Offices of the East Orange County Water District, 185 N. McPherson Road, Orange, California.

Respectfully submitted,



Joan C. Arneson