

Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

BOARD MEETING OFFICE
1720 N. Cherokee Trail, Landers, CA 92285
Tuesday, March 25, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting convened by Board President Judy Corl-Lorono at 6:12 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Sharon Conkle.

ROLL CALL

Directors Present: Judy Corl-Lorono
J. Dennis Staley
Terry Burkhart
Michael McBride
J. Larry Coulombe

Staff Present: Marina West
Michelle Corbin

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda with approved handouts.
MSC¹ (Burkhart/McBride) unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 14R-01 REQUESTING THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION TO INITIATE PROCEEDINGS FOR A REORGANIZATION TO INCLUDE ANNEXATIONS TO BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY AND DISSOLUTION OF COUNTY SERVICE AREA 70 ZONE W-1

General Manager West gave a brief presentation beginning with the "three (3) island areas" within CSA 70/W-1. These three small areas contribute to the increase in the application fees to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). West also stated the Agency will request a waiver of the additional cost. The complete package which includes the "Plan For Services" will be submitted to LAFCO soon.

Public comments:

Anonymous asked if the "island areas" were surrounded by Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency.

MOTION NO. 14-015

(After brief Board discussion), Director McBride made a motion to Adopt Resolution No. 14R-01 Requesting the Local Area Formation Commission to initiate proceedings for a reorganization to include annexations to the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency and dissolution of County Service Area Zone W-.1. Director Coulombe seconded the motion.

MSC¹ (McBride/Coulombe)

Corl-Lorono: Y
Staley: Y
Burkhart: Y
McBride: Y
Coulombe: Y

MOTION NO. 14-016

(After brief Board discussion), Director McBride made a motion to authorize increase in project by \$15,000 to cover LAFCO filing fee for annexation of "3 island areas" and authorize staff to formally request waiver of said fees in the formal application process. Director Coulombe seconded the motion.

MSC¹ (McBride/Coulombe)

Corl-Lorono: Y
Staley: Y
Burkhart: Y
McBride: Y
Coulombe: Y

UPDATE ON THE HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING GRANT AWARD FROM OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

Consultant Gary Sturdivan reviewed the process that led to the Agency's award of a grant to complete a Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mr. Sturdivan will begin the process on Friday the 28th of March. Participants will include association leaders within the Landers community and participants from neighboring water districts. This plan may mitigate hazards such as earthquakes, floods and drought.

Anonymous asked if the plan could include generators.

CONFERENCE AND TRAVEL 2014 – PER BOARD OF DIRECTORS' WORKSHOP

General Manager West reported at the 2014 Directors' Workshop the conferences listed within the agenda packet were identified as conferences one or more Directors would like to attend. The pre-approval process will allow staff to seek the lowest cost possible for travel, hotel and conference registration.

No public comment.

MOTION NO. 14-017

(After brief Board discussion), Director McBride made a motion to approve the following conferences related to Board education for Calendar year 2014:

- *California Special Districts Association Legislative Days – Sacramento CA, May 20-21, 2014.*
- *7th Annual San Bernardino County Water Conference - San Bernardino CA, August 22, 2014.*

- *California Special Districts Association Annual Conference and Exhibitor Showcase – Palm Springs CA, September 29 – October 2, 2014.*
- *ACWA/JPIA Board Meeting for member Corl-Lorono, San Diego CA, December 1, 2014.*
- *Association of California Water Agencies Fall Conference – San Diego, CA December 2-5, 2014.*

Director Coulombe seconded the motion.

MSC¹ (McBride/Coulombe)

Corl-Lorono: Y
 Staley: Y
 Burkhart: Y
 McBride: Y
 Coulombe: Y

Adjourned for a Break at 7:00 p.m. - Reconvened from Break at 7:11 p.m.

PREPARATION FOR A COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT (COLA) TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMPENSATION VIA FUTURE ORDINANCE

General Manager West reported that should the Board decide to proceed with the Cost-Of-Living Adjustment staff will prepare the Ordinance for a Public Hearing to be agendized at the April 22, 2014 Board meeting. West reminded the Board that should they vote next month for the increase, each member of the Board is not obligated to accept the additional monies.

Anonymous stated the Directors do much work for the Agency on their own time.

MOTION NO. 14-018

(After brief Board discussion), Director McBride made a motion to direct staff to initiate the process for increasing the Board of Directors per diem compensation by five percent (5%) for fiscal year 2014/15. Director Burkhart seconded the motion.

MSC¹ (McBride/Burkhart)

Corl-Lorono: Y
 Staley: Y
 Burkhart: Y
 McBride: Y
 Coulombe: Y

SELECTION ELECTION - BOARD TO CHOOSE A CANDIDATE TO FILL THE REGULAR MEMBER AND ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISION (LAFCO)SAN BERNARDINO

General Manager West gave a brief report.

Mike Lipsitz of Landers commented on the good things he has heard about Al Morrisette who is running against James V. Curaltalo.

MOTION NO. 14-019

(After brief Board discussion), After Board discussion, Director McBride made a motion to choose James V. Curatalo, Jr. to fill the regular member position of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) San Bernardino. The motion was seconded by Director Burkhart.

MSC¹ (McBride/Burkhart)

Corl-Lorono: Y
Staley: N
Burkhart: Y
McBride: N
Coulombe: Y

MOTION NO. 14-020

(After brief Board discussion), After Board discussion, Director McBride made a motion to choose Steve Farrell to fill the alternate member position of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) San Bernardino. The motion was seconded by Director Burkhart.

MSC¹ (McBride/Burkhart)

Corl-Lorono: Y
Staley: N
Burkhart: Y
McBride: Y
Coulombe: Y

RESOLUTION 14R-02 PLACING IN NOMINATION JUDY CORL-LORONO AS A MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (CSDA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGION 6

General Manager West reported the Agency received a call for nominations from the California Special Districts Association. President Corl-Lorono expressed an interest in the seat available for Region 6.

No public comment.

MOTION NO. 14-021

(After brief Board discussion), Director McBride made a motion to nominate President Judy Corl-Lorono for the CSDA Board of Directors Region 6. Director Coulombe seconded the motion.

MSC¹ (McBride/Coulombe)

Corl-Lorono: Y
Staley: Y
Burkhart: Y
McBride: Y
Coulombe: Y

DISBURSEMENTS FEBRUARY 2014

No public comment.

MOTION NO. 14-022

Director Burkhart made a motion to approve the Disbursements (Check Register - Payment of Bills) for February 2014. Director McBride seconded the motion.

MSC¹ (Burkhart/McBride)
Corl-Lorono: Y
Staley: Y
Burkhart: Y
McBride: Y
Coulombe: Y

CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Financial Statements February 2014
 1. Balance Sheet
 2. Statement of Revenue and Expense
 3. General Account (Union Bank)
 4. Disbursements
 5. Local Agency Investment Fund Balance Timeline
- b. Service Order Report, February 2014
- c. Production Report, February 2014
- d. Regular Board Meeting Minutes, February 25, 2014
- e. Special Board Workshop Meeting Minutes, February 22, 2014
- f. Adopt Resolution 14R-03 Establishing Standing Committees and Authorizing the Creation of Ad Hoc Committees.
- g. Board to consider authorizing application for General Services Administration (GSA) State and Federal Surplus Property Program.

No Public comment.

MOTION NO. 14-023

Director McBride made a motion to approve consent items a - g. The motion was seconded by Director Burkhart.

No public comment.

MSC¹ (McBride/Burkhart)
Corl-Lorono: Y
Staley: Y
Burkhart: Y
McBride: Y
Coulombe: Y

MATTERS REMOVED FROM CONSENT ITEMS

No items removed from consent.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Goslaw, of Landers, commented on the Agency Bonds.

VERBAL REPORTS

Director Coulombe reported on the Morongo Basin Pipeline meeting he had recently attended.

Director McBride reported that he had attended a conference on water the previous evening.

Director Burkhart reported on the governance course offered by SDRMA she had attended earlier that day.

Vice President Staley reported on the Homestead Valley Community Council meeting where they discussed fire safety and concern over solar projects.

President Cori-Lorono reported on the Morongo Basin Municipal Advisory Council meeting where a resolution supporting the dissolution of CSA 70/W-1 and its annexation into Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency was approved.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items include updates on the dissolution of CSA 70/W-1 and its annexation into BDVWA. Updates on the Hazard Mitigation Plan will be provided monthly.

ADJOURNMENT – President Judy Cori-Lorono adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

Approved by:


Terry Burkhardt, Secretary of the Board

MSC¹ – Motion made, seconded, and carried.