

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, June 28, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Meeting convened by Board President J. Larry Coulombe at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by J. Larry Coulombe

Roll Call

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

Staff Present: Marina West
Michelle Corbin

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda.

MSC¹ (Staley/Burkhart) unanimously approved.

Resolution 16R-06 Establishing the Agency's Appropriation Limit for Fiscal Year 2016/2017 at \$161,339.73

General Manager West reported that each year the Board reviews the calculation of the appropriation limit. The appropriation limit concerns the general tax levy and the percentage of general tax levy forwarded to the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency. The California Constitution sets the limit of the calculation based on information obtained by the California State Department of Finance. The Agency's calculated appropriations limit was confirmed to be greater than the anticipated tax revenue.

No public comment.

Motion No. 16-028

(After brief Board discussion), Vice President McBride made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 16R-06 Establishing the Appropriation Limit of the Agency at \$161,339.73 for fiscal year July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017 pursuant to Article XIII B of the California Constitution.. Director Corl-Lorono seconded the motion.

MSC¹ (McBride/Corl-Lorono)

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

MSC¹ (McBride/Corl-Lorono) unanimously approved.

Stand-By and Availability Fees for Water Services in Improvement District “Goat Mountain” (ID “GM”)

Staff member Michelle Corbin reported on the Standby and Availability Fees for Water Services in Improvement District “Goat Mountain” emphasizing that it is an annual action. Only unmetered properties within the Goat Mountain Territory located close enough to the mainline water system are affected.

General Manager West reviewed with the Board the challenges of extending the Standby and Availability Fees for Water Services to other territories within the Agency boundaries.

No public comment.

Motion No. 16-029

(After brief Board discussion), Director Corl-Lorono made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 16R-07 Establishing stand-by and availability fees for water services in Improvement District “Goat Mountain” (ID “GM”). The motion was seconded by Director Burkhart.

MSC¹ (Corl-Lorono/Burkhart)

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

MSC¹ (Corl-Lorono/Burkhart) unanimously approved.

Morongo Basin Pipeline (ID “M”) Debt Refinancing Information Item Only.

General Manager West reviewed the payoff options and the savings each (option) presented. The Pipeline Commission has found a mechanism to insure the Morongo Basin Pipeline Debt will be paid off early by lowering the interest rate on the bond and maintaining a 10 ½ cents per one-hundred dollars of assessed value.

Mojave Water Agency’s Board via the Pipeline Commission did vote to proceed so therefore a vote is not required by Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency’s Board.

Public comment:

Anonymous commented on the interest rate.

California Special Districts Association 2016 Board Election

The Board reviewed the candidate options. Director Staley made a motion to nominate Bill Nelson. The motion failed for lack of a second.

No public comment.

Motion No. 16-030

(After brief Board discussion), Vice President McBride made a motion to vote for John DeMonaco for Seat B of the CSDA Board of Directors 2016 Election. Director Corl-Lorono seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: McBride, Corl-Lorono, Coulombe, Burkhart
Nays: Staley
Abstain: None
Absent: None

MSC¹ (McBride/Corl-Lorono) motion carried.

Board to Consider Holding October, 2016 Board Meeting at Landers Bellfield Hall

General Manager West reported it was suggested at a recent meeting the Agency should consider having a Board of Directors' meeting at the Bellfield Hall in Landers. Director Burkhart stated she feels a meeting at Bellfield Hall may bring more public participation.

Public comments:

Anonymous commented he feels this is a good idea.

Anonymous questioned if moving the meeting would be an ongoing occurrence.

Motion No. 16-031

(After brief Board discussion), After Board discussion, Vice President McBride made a motion to hold the October 2016 Board of Director's Meeting at the Landers Bellfield Hall. The motion was seconded by Director Burkhart.

MSC¹ (McBride/Burkhart)

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

MSC¹ (McBride/Burkhart) unanimously approved.

Consent Items

- a. Regular Board Meeting Minutes, May 24, 2016.
- b. Service Order Report, May 2016
- c. Receive and File Regular FPREP Committee Meeting Reports, January 20, 2016.
- d. Receive and File Regular PLEGS Committee Meeting Reports, April 19, 2016.
- e. Appointment of Mr. David Wysocki of the firm Law Offices of David Wysocki Attorney at Law as Agency's General Counsel.
- f. Tax Collector Contract for FY 2016-17 authorizing staff member Michelle Corbin to sign Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector Agreement for Collection of Special Taxes, Fees and Assessments Fiscal Year 2016-17.

No Public comment.

Motion No. 16-032

Vice President McBride made a motion to approve consent items a - f. The motion was seconded by Director Corl-Lorono

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

MSC¹ (McBride/Corl-Lorono)

Matters Removed From Consent Calendar

None

Public Comment Period

No public comment.

Verbal Reports

General Manger West reported that staff has completed maintenance on all of the valves within the Agency. West also reported on the State Water Project noted, that Mojave Water Agency plans to store water at the Ames/Reche Recharge site this year.

West also gave a brief update on the inter-tie with Hi Desert Water District.

Director Staley reported on the June 20, 2016 Homestead Valley Meeting and gave a brief update on the landscape garden at the Landers Post Office.

Director Corl-Lorono reported on the June 13, 2016 Municipal Advisory Council Meeting.

Adjournment – President Coulombe adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Approved by:


Judy Corl-Lorono, Secretary of the Board

MSC¹ – Motion made, seconded, and carried.