

# BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY

"To provide a high quality supply of water and reliable service to all customers at a fair and reasonable rate."

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES**

BOARD MEETING OFFICE 1720 N. CHEROKEE TR. LANDERS, CALIFORNIA 92285 April 12, 2022 Time – 6:00 P.M.

MEETING ROOM IS OPEN FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Burkhart called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Sharon Conkle.

**ROLL CALL** 

**Directors Present:** 

John R. Burkhart

JoMarie McKenzie Megan Close-Dees

Craig Dicht

David Chapman

Staff present:

Marina West

Public Present: 0 member(s) if the public indicated they were participating via teleconference. 1 members of the public were present in the meeting room.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Director Close-Dees made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Director McKenzie seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Public Comment: none.

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Approved May 10, 2022

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### Motion No. 22-017

(After brief Board discussion) Director Dicht made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 22R-04 Establishing a Fixed Asset and Surplus Property Policy. Director Chapman seconded the motion.

Burkhart Y
McKenzie Y
Close-Dees Y
Dicht Y
David Chapman Y

MSC<sup>1</sup> (Dicht/Chapman) unanimously approved.

# 3. Recommendation on Fiscal Year 2021/22 Unfunded Pension Liability – Additional Payment

GM West gave the staff report recommending the Board not pursue any additional payoff at this time.

(After brief Board discussion) Provide direction to staff on whether or not to make additional payment to CalPERS and /or PARS in Fiscal Year 2021/22.

### **Motion No. 22-018**

(After brief Board discussion) Director Chapman made a motion to direct staff not to invest any additional funds in CalPERS or PARS in Fiscal Year 2021/22. Director Dicht seconded the motion.

Burkhart Y
McKenzie Y
Close-Dees Y
Dicht Y
David Chapman Y

MSC1 (Chapman/Dicht) unanimously approved.

### 4. Consent Items

- a. Regular Board Meeting Minutes, March 8, 2022
- b. Special Board Meeting Workshop Minutes, March 26, 2022
- c. Financial Statements
  - 1. Balance Sheet(s) March 2022
  - 2. Budget Sheet(s) March 2022
  - 3. Quarterly Investment Report for the period ending December 31, 2021.
- d. Receive and File Disbursements for March 2022
- e. Service Order Report thru March 2022
- f. BDV Production Report for March 2022
- g. Goat Mountain Production Report for March 2022

h. Receive and File FPREP Committee Minutes for January 19, 2022.

Recommended Action:

Approve as presented (Item a-h):

### Motion No. 22-019

Director Dicht made a motion to adopt Consent Calendar items a-h as presented. Director Close-Dees seconded the motion.

Burkhart Y
McKenzie Y
Close-Dees Y
Dicht Y
David Chapman Y

MSC<sup>1</sup> (Dicht/Close-Dees) unanimously approved.

5. Matters Removed from Consent Items

None.

6. Public Comment Period

None.

- 7. Verbal Reports Including Reports on Courses/Conferences/Meetings.
  - 1. General Manager Report GM West will be on the "Up-Close Show" with Gary Daigneault at 10-11am Friday, April 22, 2022.

She also noted the County Board of Supervisors addressed our request for defaulted tax properties this morning.

She noted that the Tax Collector Mason had requested the Board of Supervisors deny the property transfers and that a letter had been sent to Supervisor Rowe, portions of which were read during the meeting this morning, requesting the Supervisors overturn the recommendation. In the end, the Board of Supervisor's did approve the two properties requested.

She also reported that the front door was unlocked today just to see what might happen.

She also mentioned giving a presentation to the Joshua Basin Water District on April 6, 2022 regarding the issue of Cannabis and actions that Bighorn has taken to eradicate them in our service area.

Lastly, interviews for the operations openings have been conducted with one new offer being made just today.

## 2. Director Reports

Director Close-Dees reported on the Landers Association meeting she recently attended. She noted all the various activities happening at the Association and the renewed interest in a Garden Club.

Director McKenzie reported on the Homestead Valley Community Counsel last month where updates were given on the Scenic HWY247 Project, FP-5 Fire Tax Repeal, SB1426 and other legislation aimed at illegal cannabis, she noted the June Primary mail ballots should arrive in May. She also reported on the Mojave Water Agency meeting she attended where an update on Water Sustainability Part IV and an update on the Delta Conveyance project. She noted discussion about the need for additional water storage for increased reliability.

Director Chapman reported on the Mojave Water Agency meeting he attended recently. The main subject was a budget workshop for Fiscal Year 2022/23. He also discussed the "wet-water" water transfers Mojave Water Agency made with Kettleman City, CA. He also reported on the Association of San Bernardino County Special District's monthly meeting. The presentation title was "Santa Ana River Watershed Weather Modification Pilot Program" which he described as a "cloud seeding" project intended to increase rainfall. He also presented a slideshow of the service line installation he observed in the field recently.

Director Dicht reported on the CA Special Districts Association conference he attended in San Diego. He discussed the cross-section of attendees from Special Districts of all sizes and the content of the various courses he attended. He noted that the Agency may want to have a facilitated workshop in the future for the Board to review its mission, vision and values.

3. Presidents Report - None.

### 8. Adjournment

President Burkhart adjourned the meeting at 8:25pm.

Approved by:

Megan Close-Daed, Secretary of the Board

MSC1 - Motion made, seconded and carried

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