

BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

June 27, 2016

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Bella Vista Water District was called to order by the President of the Board at 5:30 p.m., at the District office.

Board Members Present:

President	-	Leimone Waite
Vice President	-	Jim Smith
Director	-	Ted Bambino
Director	-	Bob Nash
Director	-	Jeff Steppat

Board Members Absent:

None

Officers and Staff Present:

General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer	-	David Coxey
District Engineer	-	Don Groundwater
Office Manager	-	Connie Wade
Distribution Superintendent	-	Bud Wanbaugh

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Public Comment Period:

None

3. Consent Calendar:

- 3-1 Approval of Minutes of May 23, 2016, Regular Meeting
- 3-2 Approval of Minutes of June 1, 2016, Special Meeting
- 3-3 Financial Reports for Month Ending May 2016

RECOMMENDATION: Approval and Adoption of all items on the Consent Calendar.

M/S: [Nash/Bambino] The Board authorized adoption of the Consent Calendar.

AYE: Bambino, Nash, Smith, Steppat and Waite; **NAY:** None;

Old Business:

4. WY 2016-2017 Water Delivery Update

District Engineer, Don Groundwater updated the Board on water deliveries and projections. Don, explained that the rains in mid-June brought demands down. Cumulatively we are trending at 51.9% reduction so no issue with State, under the mandated amount. Discussion only.

5. Meter Replacement Program Update

David Coxey, General Manager covered this item by recapping the Policy on this issue. Bud Wanbaugh explained how staff has handled replacements in the past and the past successes. Bud explained that we now are faced with the Customers that simply don't want to replace their meter, and are ready to move forward. These are meters that are either broke or not registering low flows. The Policy on this issue was adopted last June. The Board discussed the approach at length. Discussion only.

6. Authorize Contract with ENPLAN for CEQA Compliance of the Solar Panel Site

Don Groundwater reviewed the CEQA requirements and the outcome.

M/S: [Steppat/Smith] The Board authorized the General Manager to execute an agreement with ENPLAN to provide CEQA documentation required for the proposed solar facility for a cost not to exceed \$19,481.

AYE: Bambino, Nash, Smith, Steppat and Waite; **NAY:** None

7. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Compliance Update

David introduced this item and reviewed the recent meetings regarding this matter to bring the Board up-to-date on this Act and the role the District will need to play. Discussion only.

New Business

8. Adopt Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

Staff reviewed with the Board the entire Budget in detail, including the EOMR and Debt Schedule.

M/S: [Bambino/Nash] The Board authorized adoption of the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget.

AYE: Bambino, Nash, Smith, Steppat and Waite; **NAY:** None

9. Adopt Resolution 16-01 Setting the Special Assessment Rate for 2016-2017

M/S: [Smith/Nash] The Board authorized adoption of Resolution 16-01 setting the Special Assessment amount for 2016-17.

AYE: Bambino, Nash, Smith, Steppat and Waite; **NAY:** None

10. Authorize Award of Contract for New Warehouse Building

Don explained that the bids came in way over budget. Therefore, staff has been discussing how to handle the construction in-house.

M/S: [Nash/Smith] The Board rejected all bids.

AYE: Bambino, Nash, Smith, Steppat and Waite; **NAY:** None

11. Acceptance of Improvements with Andrew & Rachel Kofford (Cow Creek Dr.)

Don explained that this was a 350 foot line extension for a single family residence. Individuals attempted to drill a well which was not successful.

M/S: [Nash/Bambino] The Board authorized acceptance of the improvements by the District and execution of the Conveyance Agreement by the District's General Manager.

AYE: Bambino, Nash, Smith, Steppat and Waite; **NAY:** None

12. Interest on Investment Calculation for Folsom Safety of Dams Construction Costs

David explained this project is part of the CVP. David explained this is a big picture, big ticket item and further explained the project and Reclamation's policies on reimbursable costs. The associated expense is only against the M&I Contractors and given the options, recommended contractors begin repayment sooner to avoid the compounding interest, reduce overall costs and incorporate repayment incrementally rather than all at once upon completion.

M/S: [Bambino/Smith] The Board directed the General Manager to provide a letter response encouraging Reclamation to incorporate repayment on the Folsom Safety of Dams construction costs transferred to plant in service as part of the 2017 water rates in order to reduce overall costs due to compounding interest charges and increment rate increases over time.

AYE: Bambino, Nash, Smith, Steppat and Waite; **NAY:** None

Reports and Communications

13. Engineer's Report

Don updated the Board on the Vernita Drive water main replacement, the Urban and Federal Water Management plans, and new facility being proposed at the Redding School of the Arts.

14. Manager's Report

David reported it has been an exciting summer with evolving SWRCB Emergency Regulations and more recently opposing proposals from two federal agencies that would undo Reclamations temperature control plan for the Sacramento River that would greatly impact all CVP contracts and water supply allocations. The proposals, one from Fish and Wildlife Service is for additional releases to auspiciously "protect" the Delta Smelt and another from the NMFS that would "protect" Salmon with reduced releases from Shasta to preserve cold water for fall releases. David reported on the recent court decision that could delay or complicate the Governor's plans to build the twin tunnels in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. A Superior Court judge ruled Friday that a comprehensive management plan for the estuary is no longer valid. State officials have stated they plan to appeal the decision. The State Water Resources Control Board has initiated a formal rulemaking process on draft regulations for annual public water system operating fees. The proposal, if adopted, could dramatically increase fees for some water systems. David presented some photos Surge Tank with completion of the seismic retrofit and recoating.

15. Board Members' Comments and Reports

Adjourned meeting at 8:10 pm

David J. Coxey, General Manager and
Secretary to the Board of Directors

REMINDER: Next Regular Board meeting July 25, 2016

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*Safe and dependable water for a variety of present and future uses

*Quality customer service

*A safe, harmonious working environment

