

## BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**December 19, 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	-	Bob Nash
Director	-	Ted Bambino
Director	-	Jeff Steppat

Board Members Absent:

Officers and Staff Present:

General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer	-	David Coxey
District Engineer	-	Don Groundwater
Office Manager	-	Connie Wade

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Public Comment

None

3. Election of Board of Officers for 2017

3-1 Election of President

**M/S:** [Bambino/Nash] Director Bambino nominated Director Smith as President

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

3-2 Election of Vice President

**M/S:** [Bambino/Smith] Director Bambino nominated Director Nash as Vice-President

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

3-3 Pass Gavel to New President (held off until next meeting)

3-4 Revise Standing Committees, Appointments: None

We are an equal opportunity employer and provider.

- 3-5 Appointment of JPIA Representative and Alternate  
Jim Smith, JPIA Rep., David Coxey, Alternate

**M/S:** [Steppat/Nash] The Board elected to keep all committee's including the JPIA representatives the same.

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

4. Consent Calendar:

- 4-1 Approval of Minutes of November 21, 2016 Regular Meeting  
4-2 Financial Reports for Month Ending November 2016

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

**M/S:** [Smith/Bambino] Director Waite had a question about the engineering fees paid to Butler Engineering in the recent check signing. The Board approved and accepted the consent calendar items as presented.

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

Old Business:

**4b. WY2014-2015 Water Supply Update**

District Engineer, Don Groundwater updated the Board on water deliveries. Water production is continuing to trend far below the average. Calendar year to date we have had record rainfalls. We are trending a couple thousand acre fee less than projected. We continue to be way below the cumulative requirement for the State mandate. David discussed the current precipitation trending wetter than 1982/83.

Discussion only.

New Business:

**5. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Compliance Update**

General Manager, David Coxey updated the Board on SGMA compliance and that there has been a change. The ACID Board met and the City of Anderson and City of Redding made a good presentation to keep the coalition together. David explained the dynamics of how this occurred. Attached to the item is a draft MOU so ACID could see the agreement is generic and not onerous, but if they want they certainly can opt out. David explained there is a chance to get this back on track with ACID. David explained he was able to network a lot on this item at the recently attended ACWA conference and is hopeful a single, multi-agency groundwater sustainability agency (GSA) is possible. Reviewed a governance diagram and SGMA compliance timeline.

Discussion Only.

**6. Authorize Award of Contract for Water Transmission Main Inspection Services**

Postponed at 6:13 awaiting speaker. Returned to this item at 6:37 PM. David introduced Carl Sharkey and the Pure, Inc. proposal to review a section of the 54" Transmission line between Wintu and the Water Treatment Plant to determine whether there has been any corrosion (metal loss) from the steel cylinder and bar wraps. Don explained we have the ability to dewater this section of the pipe and feel it is time to take a close look at the pipe. Staff did solicit proposals but Pure is the leader in this technology, and was the only response that we received. Business Development Manager for Pure, Mr. Sharkey explained the structure of the District's pipeline. He further explained how the electromagnetic scanning of the pipeline technology works. Don reviewed the proposal and scope of work.

**M/S:** [Steppat/Bambino] The Board authorized the General Manager to execute an agreement with Pure Technologies for condition assessment of the 54-inch Main Aqueduct between the Wintu Pump Station and the Water Treatment Plant in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.

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

**7. Review of Executive Order B-37-16 "Making Conservation a California Way of Life" November 2016 Public Review Draft**

David reviewed the summary of the item. A general discussion ensued. He explained that legislation would follow and that the ACWA State Legislation is going to be very active on this subject. He explained the District had signed on to the ACWA interagency letter and explained where we are headed as a State. David stated it was a very interesting ACWA conference and noted it is a very divided state.

Discussion only.

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

**8. Authorize Consulting Services for Drought Contingency Planning Grant Application**

Don explained the Bureau came out with a couple grant programs. One is for Drought Contingency Plan. Provost & Prichard just finished up our Urban Water Management Plan and that is why we are recommending them to prepare a Grant application. David stated we should score pretty high based on supply vulnerability. Director Waite asked if we are competing with all the Western states. Director Nash asked if this data would contribute to the rate study. Director Steppat voiced concerns regarding the detail we were getting involved in at a Residential level (residential grey water and rain catchment systems).

**M/S:** [Nash/Smith] The Board authorized the General Manager to execute an agreement with Provost & Prichard in the amount of \$8,000 for the preparation of an application for a USBR Drought Contingency Planning Grant.

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

**9. Authorize Contract with PACE Engineering for Design of Akrich Road Water Main Replacement**

Don explained the plans and specifications contain a lot of details. Director Nash asked if this would be installed parallel to the existing line. Don explained depends on where the existing underground utilities are located at. This is contained within the EOMR budget.

**M/S:** [Nash/Smith] The Board authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with PACE Engineering for design of Akrich Road Water Main Replacement in the amount of \$23,100.

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

**10. Travel Authorization – 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Mid-Pacific Region Water Users’ Conference**

David explained he is not planning to attend but would like the opportunity to attend if circumstances changed. Director Nash said he wouldn’t mind attending if David decides to go.

**M/S:** [Smith/Bambino] The Board authorized the General Manager and any interested Director to attend the Conference.

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

**Reports and Communications**

**11. Engineer’s Report**

Don updated the Board on the Rate Study and the need to schedule a committee meeting, the other thing that popped up is Bethel Church which we will need to review with the Engineering Committee and get back to them.

**12. Manager’s Report**

David updated the Board on a recent service line failure that had occurred this evening on Vernita and Shasta Meadows. We recently cut in a valve there which allowed staff to isolate the leak and avoid a large outage. David reported that Staff had a very enjoyable Christmas Party last Wednesday with great food and a gift exchange and thanked those attending. He also provided a brief summary of attendance at the ACWA Fall Conference in Anaheim. Many SGMA presentations were especially relevant, having just learned that ACID had decided not to participate in a multi-agency basin GSA, but rather to form their own.

WRDA legislation, which became (S.612) Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (WIIN) includes bipartisan legislation for California that provides several reforms for operation of the water projects. The benefits are difficult to quantify, but most agree it is an important step in providing additional certainty and reliability in project operations. Jay Lund, a longtime water policy expert at the University of California, Davis, is quoted as expecting the law to provide up to an additional half-million acre-feet of water for human users. David reported on repeat vandalism incidents at the Old Oregon Trail Tank site and explained the countermeasures the

District is taking. He also reported about ongoing discussions with the Western Area Power Administration regarding the Wintu Substation and its two transformers. David explained that all public water systems were told that their permits were being amended to include a provision for one-time lead testing at schools with expenses paid by the water systems. David briefly discussed the Governor's drought emergency Executive Order and transition to the new "Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life" proposal. David then explained that a 50-year anniversary event had been planned in November, but was subsequently cancelled. Ideas for rescheduling include a spring event to coincide with the completion of the warehouse building. Lastly, David reported that Director Bob Nash has continuously served on the District's Board of Directors for 25-years! A Resolution of Appreciation will be on our agenda next month.

#### **14. Board Members' Comments and Reports**

Director Smith expressed his desire to run for the alternate LAFCO Representative. Some other general comments were made regarding Costco.

The Regular Board meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

**BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
  ) SS  
COUNTY OF SHASTA    )

I, DAVID J. COXEY, Secretary to the Board of Directors of the Bella Vista Water District, presented to the Board of Directors the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 19, 2016 for approval by the Board of Directors.

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David J. Coxey, Secretary of the Board of Directors

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
  ) SS  
COUNTY OF SHASTA    )

I, DAVID J. COXEY, Secretary of the Board of Directors of Bella Vista Water District, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the aforementioned minutes attached hereto were approved by the Board of Directors of said District at their meeting of January 23, 2017.

Ayes:             Bambino, Nash, Smith, Steppat

Noes:             0

Absent:           Waite

Abstain:          0

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David J. Coxey, Secretary to the Board of Directors

Date: January 24, 2017